

# Mrs. Soule In Hall Of Fame

Aileen Riggin Soule, former Olympic Games stand-out who has called Hawaii her home the past 11 years, was recently inducted into the Swimming Hall of Fame at Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

Established three years ago, the Hall of Fame now has a select membership of 69.

Earlier Hall of Famers from Hawaii include Duke Kahanamoku, coach Soichi Sakamoto and Bill Smith.

Kahanamoku is a charter member of the Hall while Sakamoto and Smith were inducted last year.

Mrs. Soule competed on the U.S. Olympic team as a diver and swimmer in the 1920 Games at Antwerp, Belgium, and in the 1924 Games in Paris.

She won the Olympic springboard three-meter diving championships in 1920—the first time this event was held.

“I was 14 then and weighed only 65 pounds,” she recalled yesterday.

Mrs. Soule also placed fifth in the high diving event to pace the U.S. in that event.

In the 1924 Games in Paris Mrs. Soule was second in springboard three-meter diving and also placed third in the women's 100-meter backstroke.

Mrs. Soule competed for the Women's Swimming Association of New York City while an amateur.

Other highlights of a medal winning career included competing on several world record freestyle relay teams and four national championships in diving.

Mrs. Soule also worked as a professional, staging diving and swimming exhibitions on world tours.

Selections to the Hall of Fame are made on a world-wide basis on a vote of 1,130 swimming coaches in the U.S.