

Miss Wehselau Invited To Compete on Coast If She Goes to Florida

No Word From A. A. U. But Local Girl Should Be Sent to National Women's Championships in St. Augustine

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MARICHEN WEHSELAU, Honolulu's best woman swimmer, who is internationally known through her competition in the Olympic games, July, 1924, at Paris, has received no official invitation from the Amateur Athletic Union to compete in the National women's swimming events, St. Augustine, Florida, February 9 to 11, although local A. A. U. officials expect word from Secretary Rubein of New York almost any day, and to hear that the A. A. U. has set aside an appropriation towards paying Miss Wehselau's expenses.

Victor Lidga of the local A. A. U. stated last night that Eleanor Garratti of the Pacific Coast had been invited and an appropriation made for her, so that in view of this, he felt confident Honolulu would not be overlooked, because Miss Wehselau not only defeated Miss Garratti here, but is regarded by critics as much the better swimmer of the two. In fact it would be hard to see how a championship women's swimming event could possibly be complete without the entry of the local girl.

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Anticipating that she will of course be asked to compete, and will make the trip to Florida, officials of the Olympic Club of San Francisco have written to Miss Wehselau and have invited her to take part in a special swimming meet under the auspices of the Coast club, while en route to Florida, and have promised her a per centage of the receipts to help defray expenses.

Miss Wehselau cannot accept the Olympic club's proposition until she knows whether she is going to Florida, and the local A. A. U. cannot make a move until official word has been received that Mariechen is invited, and what is more important,

Columbia to Be Coached by Chas. Crowley

NEW YORK, Dec. 28 — (By Mail).—Charles F. Crowley, head football coach at Columbia University the past season, has been reappointed, the university council on athletics announced today. An announcement was made some weeks ago that Knute Rockne of Notre Dame had been named for the post, but it was withdrawn the next day.

what monetary allowance will be given for expenses.

The local champion is naturally anxious to take the trip. She is perfectly willing to meet any woman swimmer in the world and is confident of being able to hold her own, but Miss Wehselau has had no opportunity to work out in competition because there have been no competitive swim meets held here since

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