

# DANGER TO BEACH SEEN IN GROINS

## Territory's Reclamation Work a Menace Says Vitousek

Declaring in effect that the beach reclamation groins at Waikiki were not only proving ineffective but were menacing the beach, Roy A. Vitousek, local attorney, upset the equanimity of the Outrigger Canoe club directorate at its Thursday night meeting, it was learned yesterday.

Vitousek called attention to the diminishing beach in front of the Royal Hawaiian hotel where one of the public works department's new type groins has been located and urged that the club give serious attention to the experimental work Superintendent of Public Works Lyman H. Bigelow has under way there.

The criticism brought quick explanations from Bigelow yesterday.

### **BIGELOW BLAMES STORM**

The groins, which Bigelow has established at intervals along the entire beach front, have aroused widespread interest among bathers because of their contrary and inconsistent effects.

At the boundary of the Halekulani hotel, for instance, nearly six feet of sand beach has been deposited since the installation of that particular groin.

Similar deposits have been observed in front of the Y.W.C.A., beach property in the immediate vicinity.

The diminishing beach in front of the Royal Hawaiian hotel, according to Bigelow, is to be attributed somewhat to the recent Kona weather.

"Comparisons are being made be-

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