

hit in the Monday game, hampering out a triple when it counted the most.

Fourteen players made the trip with Mr. and Mrs. Nick Teves. The team reported that it was treated in fine style wherever it went and wishes to thank the Maui people.

WATSON'S COMMENT

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he is willing to make 137 pounds for Golden.

Another scrap that would be a good headliner is Little Dempsey vs. Vicente Venturillo. That would be a battle worth watching. Venturillo stopped Al Bailey on Maui Monday while Dempsey was whipping Young Sport in Honolulu. There would be action every second with these two lads in the ring.

And here's a third one. How about putting Small Montana on with Young Sport now that Sport has shown once? This bout was proposed before but Montana wanted his staminate to take the first crack at Sport. The latter is willing to make 110 pounds to meet Montana, who weighs 107.

'DAD' CENTER

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he became best known as a swimming coach and a trainer of swimmers. In 1916 he took over the handling of Duke Kahanamoku, the world's most famous swimmer, and accompanied Duke and other Hawaiian swim stars to the Olympic games at Antwerp in 1920. While there he was named manager and coach of the American Olympic swimming team which carried off major honors in the meet.

Coached Champs

Among the swimmers who accompanied Center on that trip were Duke, Pua and Warren Kealoaha, Bill Harris, Stubby Kruger, Ludy Langer, Joseph Gilman, Fred Kahale and Miss Helen Moses.

It was at the 1920 Olympics that Center made contact with swim enthusiasts from Australia and Japan, and since then he has been closely

associated with the development of swimming in those countries.

"We people in Japan owe a great deal to 'Dad' Center," Coach Matsuzawa said when he visited Honolulu recently. "He has done more than any other man to develop swimming in Japan."

It was Center who made it possible for a team of Japanese swimmers to visit Hawaii in 1925, the first time a team of Japanese swimmers ever performed in the United States.

Brought Team

The Japanese wanted to make that trip in 1925 and wrote to Center about it. When others hesitated to underwrite the meet Center undertook to do this himself; the swimmers came to Hawaii and the meet was successful financially as well as otherwise. That meet started Japan on the up grade in the aquatic world.

In 1926 Center was selected to take the Hawaiian swimmers to the big meet during the Sesqui-Centennial celebration in Philadelphia and while he was gone the Hawaiian A. A. U. received an invitation to send a team of swimmers to Japan.

Upon his return it was decided to accept the invitation and Center continued on to Japan with a team of swimmers, continuing the pioneer work of establishing swimming in Japan.

Elected President

In the meantime Center had been elected president of the Hawaiian Association of the A. A. U. and while on the mainland in 1926 he did the preliminary work toward obtaining for Hawaii the men's national outdoor swimming championships in 1927.

It was a great undertaking — the first time a national championship swimming meet had been staged outside of the mainland of the United States. With Center at the helm the workers of the Hawaiian Association of the A. A. U. put the meet over with such success that swimmers and coaches who come here to compete declared it was the best national championship meet they had ever attended.

Stars Were Here

Johnny Weissmuller, George Kojac and all of the other stars in the

quatic world were here to compete. World's records were established in the new war memorial natatorium at Waikiki, and the meet served to gain recognition for Hawaii more than ever as the center of the world's swimming activities.

So successful was the championship meet in 1927 that the following year the Hawaiian A. A. U. still under the guidance of Center, petitioned and obtained the women's national outdoor championships, and again history was written at the war memorial natatorium during a meet that was successful in every respect. Japan's four leading girl swimmers were brought here for this meet and contributed much to its success.

The visit of the Japanese girl swimmers marked the first time a team of girl athletes had ever been sent outside of Japan to enter competition.

To Japan Again

Following the men's championship meet in 1927, Center had again taken a team of swimmers to Japan and it was largely through his efforts while there that Japan agreed to send the girl swimmers to Hawaii.

Last year the Yale swimming team visited Hawaii and a picked team, including Yale swimmers and some of the local stars, continued on to Japan. Business pressure prevented Center from taking much of an active part in these two competitions, but it was largely through the preliminary work he had done that the affairs were made possible.

Other Sports

Center does not confine his work to swimming. He is an enthusiast on outrigger canoeing, and through his efforts this sport has been brought back to the beach at Waikiki. Center owns some of the finest canoes on the beach and during his spare moments enjoys nothing more than taking visitors out for rides.

During the years he has devoted his time to coaching swimmers "Dad" has developed scores of Hawaiian champions and a number of world's champions. He has started many a youngster along the road to fame in the aquatic world.

He has given to Yale university four captains for Yale varsity

Kam Alumni to Hold Meeting

To discuss possibilities of a football team to represent the Kamehameha Alumni in the local senior league a meeting has been called for 7:30 p. m. Thursday at the Pohoona society hall. All those interested in the matter, whether pro or con, have been asked to attend the session.

swimming teams. Three of Center's products who led Yale teams in the past were Lorrin Thurston, C. Dudley Pratt, who is at present president of the Hawaiian Association of the A. A. U., and Edward Peterson. David Livingston, captain of Yale's 1932 freshman team, was developed by Center. Another of his boys is Benton Wood, 1932 captain of the Harvard varsity team.

Has Busy Life

Center's life in the aquatic world has been a busy one. Always willing to help, Center, who is the head of the sporting goods department at T. H. Davies & Co., Ltd., devotes most of his spare time to the sport he loves.

This man, whose name is known so widely through his swimming work, is looking forward to the time when he can give more time to coaching. He sees new champions among the youngsters playing along the beach at Waikiki and, when questioned a few days ago about his ideas on swimming, his first suggestion was that Hawaii should lay plans for more big swimming meets here such as the ones he helped promote in the past.

Despite a temporary slump in swimming activities in Hawaii, Center sees a bright future for the sport. Always one to see the bright side of all situations, sometimes to the extent of being over-optimistic, the famous coach is making plans for the future—plans for even bigger aquatic enterprises than he has undertaken in the past.

Thirty-seven winners of major athletic letters at the University of Iowa will be among the graduated next fall. The heaviest such loss in seven years.