ISLANDS HAVE LOTS OF GOOD POLO TALENT

Outriggers Are Turning Out Every Friday Night Making Ready For March Meet

Local A. A. U. Keen On Plan of Having Team Go To the Mainland Trials From Here

WATER polo is a "comparitively new game to Hawaiian mermen, but they have "caught on" so rapidly and passed from novices to stars so quickly that the Hawaiian A. A. U. authorities are behind plans to send an island water polo team to the A. A. U. trials for the Olympic team on the mainland next year. Norman Ross, Illinois Athletic club swimmer and water polo player, after looking over the local talent believes Hawaii could make a good showing.

Efforts to introduce water polo in the islands were made many times but always failed until early this year when the game "caught on" and a regular series was played in connection with the Washington swimming meet in February sponsored by Lieut. Col. H. L. Landers and the Hawaiian A. A. U.

Looks Good

Later the locals had an opportunity to test their skill against the water polo team of a visiting British warship, and the locals won. Since that time the local players have been practising steadily and have increased their knowledge and ability of the game, so much so that Norman Ross, himself a water polo player of no mean ability, was led to comment favorably upon the idea of Hawaii sending a team to the Olympic trials on the mainland.

Some of the Stars

The Outrigger club squad has been working out regularly every Friday night. It has Jack Muirhead and Tom Muirhead, Theodore Searle, Kenneth Ross and Johnny Morse. The Hui Nalus have Sam Kahanamoku, Pua Kealoha and Walter Grace. The Hui Makani has Henry Luning, Charles Pung and Warren Kealoha.

The local A. A. U. is showing a keen interest in the development of water polo, and the game will get a prominent place on the March outdoor swimming meet program. At that meet it will be decided whether or not a water polo team will go to the mainland trials.