

135 WOMEN IN ATTEMPTS TO MAKE U. S. TEAM

**Champions and Record Holders
Galore in Competition—Many
Marks at All Distances Are
Threatened.**

BRIAR CLIFF MANOR, N. Y.,
June 7.—American mermaids begin
an attack on existing records in the
final Olympic tryouts for the Ameri-
can women's swimming team of 15
members today and tomorrow.

Champions and record holders are
numerous among the 135 entries re-
cruited from all parts of the United
States and its possessions, including
the fertile swimming territories of
Hawaii and the Canal Zone.

Miss Aileen Riggin, of New York,
youthful veteran of the 1920 Olymp-
ics at Antwerp where she won the
fancy diving title, leads the list of
feminine aquatic stars. Miss Ge-
trude Ederle, of New York, middle
distance champion; Miss Helen
Wainwright, of New York, all-around
performer; Miss Sybil Bauer, of Chi-
cago, leading backstroke artist, and
Miss Mariechen Wehselau, of
Hawaii, are among the more im-
portant contenders.