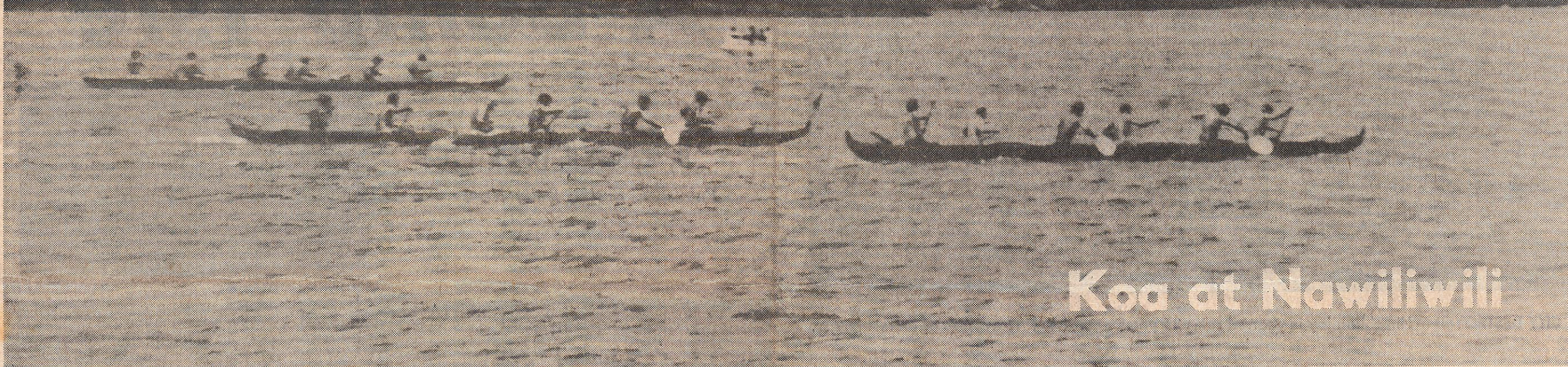
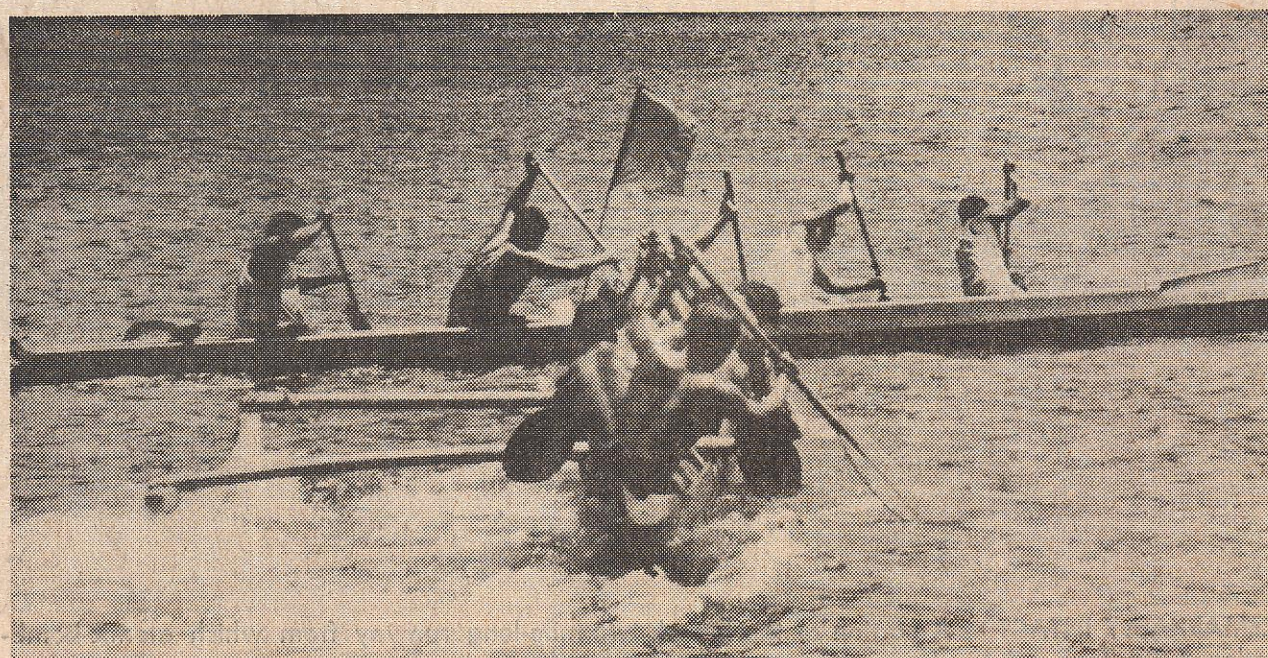


State Canoe Championships



Koa at Nawiliwili

Action during the senior men's blue event in Annual Hawaii State Canoe Races at Nawiliwili Harbor on Kauai.—Photos by Ron Haworth



STAND BY TO BOARD — Leeward Kai canoe takes a collision course during the one-mile turn in the senior men's race. Leeward was disqualified for ramming the Order of Kamehameha canoe.

The Outrigger Canoe Club, scoring points in 13 of the 14-event State Canoe Championships, captured the team title Saturday at Nawiliwili Harbor, Kauai.

Nine Oahu canoe clubs and host Kauai took part in the five-hour regatta, sanctioned by the Hawaii Canoe Racing Association. The event was the final and most important race of the five-regatta season which began on Kamehameha Day.

Waikiki Surf Club won what is considered the headline race when it defeated Outrigger and Healan, Kailua Leeward Kai and Kauai in the senior men's race over a 2½ mile course.

Outrigger's team victory gave them a clean sweep of the five regattas, an achievement unequalled in almost ten years.

Runnerup Kailua Hawaiian Civic Club had the most individual victories Saturday—five in all—but OCC's depth kept Kailua's upset-minded crews at bay.



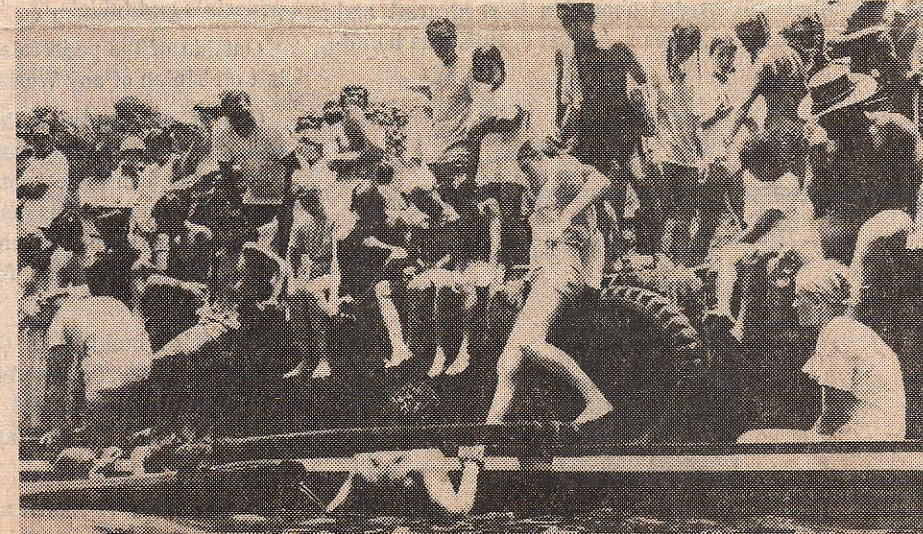
GETTING READY — Coach Mark Buck bends to his task of rigging the 'Kakina' before first race.



PULL, PULL! — Kailua Hawaiian Civic Club cheers its entry as boats near the finish line.



WELL DONE — Hugh Foster received warm congratulations after his crew of Outrigger Club freshmen won the Hawaii State Canoe Racing Association title.



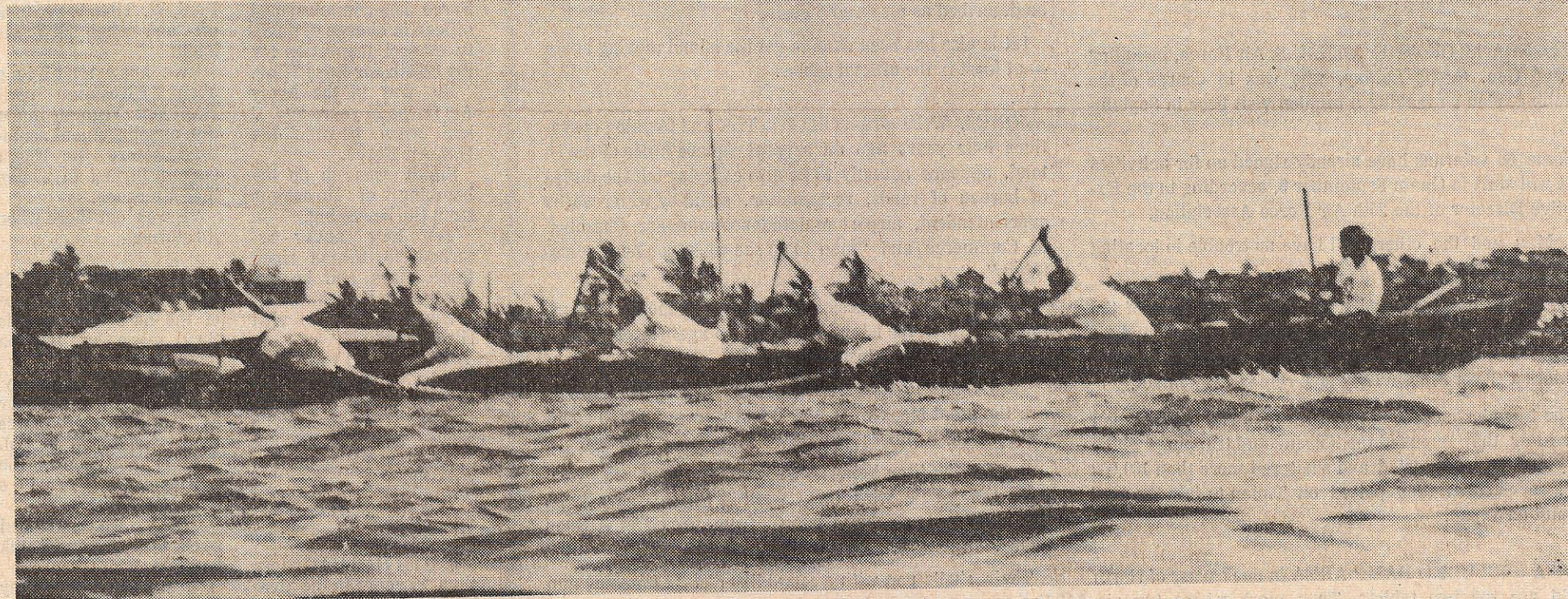
FUN AND FROLIC—Canoers aren't the only ones to get wet. Spectators take to the water in the races.



WATCHING THE BOATS GO BY — From this vantage point on the Nawiliwili Harbor breakwater these members of a club cheering section shout encouragement to favorites as they flash by.



NO UPSET VICTORY — Unhappy Kauai Canoe Club paddlers right their craft after sudden swamping.



WOMEN AT WORK—Outrigger Canoe Club novice women reach and pull.