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# Sport Views

### The Sun Shines On Our Surfers

Because Hawaii generally is considered the home of surfing, it was only fitting that our Hawaii swimmers came away with most of the laurels in the World Surfing Championships completed recently at Rincon Beach, Puerto Rico.

It is doubtful that the World Championships ever will be held here because we already have such global classics as the Makaha International and the Duke Kahanamoku Invitational.

But wherever they go, Hawaii's surfers are looked up to when it comes to conquering the big waves.

And it is obvious now that Fred Hemmings may be the finest big wave rider in the history of the sport. There's no way to compare his greatness with stars of the olden days, such as Duke Kahanamoku, who surfed with an 80-pound board.

But until someone comes along who is better, Hemmings will have to rate up there with Hawaiian sports heroes of the past as the Duke and the late Ted Makalena.

Of course, Fred wasn't the only medal winner from here in Puerto Rico. Sharon Weber finished second in the women's division and Martha Sunn came in fourth. Rene Abellira finished sixth in the men's division.

All our competitors in Puerto Rico, from team captain Fred Downing on down, were a credit to Hawaii in the championships there and are to be congratulated on their performances.

### Getting Ready for Makaha Meet

With their international recognition, our surfers now will return to Hawaii to compete in the Makaha event, which gets underway Dec. 21.

Accompanying them will be the greatest surfers from the rest of the world, including the fine contingent from Australia and the West Coast stars, to compete here during the winter meets.

The Makaha always is a well-run tournament, but it would be better with more cooperation from City and State officials. More police could be used at the site to help control the traffic there.

The City Parks and Recreation Department should give more assistance on keeping the beach neat and clean. Refuse cans are overflowing after the first day of competition and they stay that way for days — until trash pick-up trucks come.

The rest rooms should be kept cleaner for the huge crowds that annually witness this event.

The Makaha event doesn't start until Dec. 21, but now is the time that the planning should be made to make sure that our biggest surfing event is held in a setting that will give "class" to a world-type tournament.



Photo from American Youth Magazine

## King of the Big Wave Riders

Fred Hemmings, winner of the World Surfing Championships last week, here displays his title-winning form on one of Hawaii's big waves—the kind that he has been known to conquer around the world.

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## 2 more in Duke surfing

Charlie Galanto and Butch Van Artsdalen have been named to compete in the fourth annual Duke Kahanamoku surfing championships.

They will join 22 previously named contestants for the one-day meet, which will be held at a North Shore site between Dec. 15 and 19.

Both Galanto and Van Artsdalen are repeat selections from last year.

Those previously chosen were Eddie Aikau, Felipe Pomar, Nat Young, Paul Strauch, Bill Hamilton, Mike Turkington, Mike Doyle, Bruce Valluzzi, Corky Carroll, Joey Cabell, Rick Grigg, Jock Sutherland, Jeff Hakman, George Downing, Rusty Miller, Fred Hemmings, Jim Blears, Ben Aipa, Ryan Dotson, Jack Eberle, Jim Lucus and Berry Kanaiaupuni.

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## King of the Surf *Week in Review*

Hawaii's Fred Hemmings last week won the men's world surfing championship at Puerto Rico's Rincon Beach.

Hemmings' win brought the title to the United States for the first time; it previously had been held by Australians and Peruvians.

The 22-year-old Hemmings barely beat out former title holder Midget Farrelly of Australia for the championship.

Using best seven waves of each surfer, Hemmings and Farrelly tied. To break the tie the eighth best wave was considered, with Hemmings finally winning with 326 points—only two more than Farrelly.



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## Two Surfers Added for Duke Meet

Charlie Galanto and Butch Van Artsdalen have been added to the list for the Duke Kahanamoku Surfing championship, it was announced yesterday by meet director Fred Van Dyke.

That brings the number entered for the fourth annual TV show to 24.

Already selected to compete are such world champions as Fred Hemmings, Hawaii; Felipe Pomar, Peru, and Nat Young, Australia.

The contest will be held between Dec. 15 and 19.

Both Galanto and Van Artsdalen are from Hawaii and competed in the event last year.