

# **Outrigger Paddlers outpaddled in Waikiki/ Makaha Canoe Race**

A determined Outrigger crew paddled mightily in the Wally Froiseth Waikiki to Makaha canoe race on September 28th, but their efforts went for naught as Kailua, Healani and Hui Nalu, in that order, finished in the money. Outrigger placed sixth in the eight crew race, ahead of Waikiki Beach Boys and Waikiki Surf Club.

The race, as described by a Honolulu *Advertiser* sports reporter, turned

into a hot battle for first place between paddlers of the *kamaaina* Healani Club and the recently organized Kailua Canoe Club. An interesting feature of the race, the *Advertiser* story said, was the fact that the Healani crew was paddling a traditional koa canoe, while the Kailuans used a modern fiberglass canoe. It was stated that this was the first time in Hawaiian canoe racing history that a fiberglass canoe has come in winner.

Best time for the event, the *Advertiser*, reported, was Kailua's 4:24.15. Outrigger made it in 4:34.47, good time for this long and often rough distance event.