

NOW FOR HONOLULU AND THE HULA-HULA SCENES THAT WILL GREET THE JACKIES OF THE



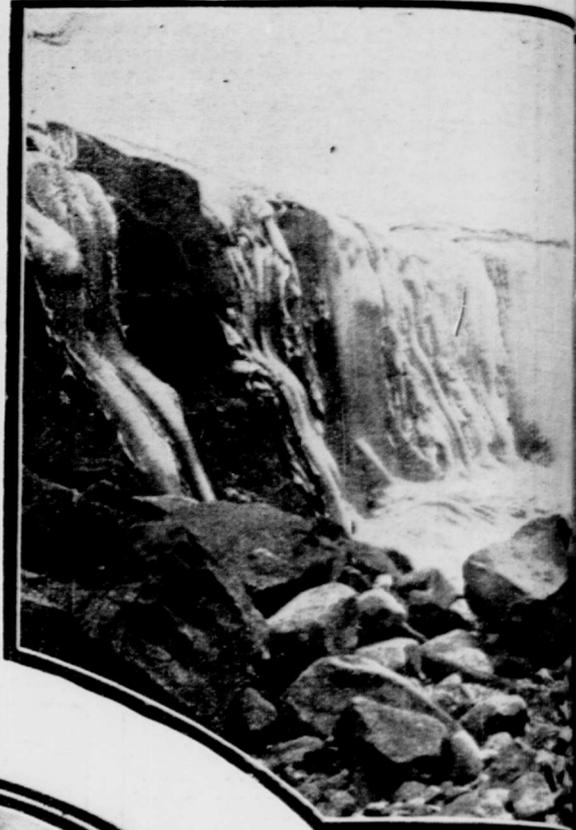
A PICTURESQUE PAWPAW PLANTATION NEAR HONOLULU WORKED BY JAPANESE LABORERS.
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Soft clouds float across the sky, their shadows floating as lightly over the languorous, tropical landscape. The very scene is hospitable and offers a welcome, and the temperature, rarely rising above 75 or falling below 69 degrees, assures one, if there were any doubt about it, that this mid-Pacific island of Oahu is one of the paradises of the world.

As the vessels slowly steam along the narrow but deep channel which gives entrance through the coral reef to the crowded harbor the United States flag will be seen floating from the public buildings, furnishing an ocular evidence of the hemispherical sway of Uncle Sam.

The welcome of a people living where "every prospect pleases"—and only a few of the streets of Honolulu are below par—will be fully up to the impression created by the scene. There will be a cosmopolitan crowd on the pier to greet the "jackies," shouting "Aloha" ("Love to you") in the musical tongue of the Kanakas. There will be wreaths of flowers for throwing over the heads of the Americans as they step on the pier. It will be an offering of a music and flower loving people. In the crowd will be the full bodied and plump faced natives, Americans, Chinese, Japanese and Portuguese and mixtures of nearly all of these races.

Once on shore the sailors and their superiors will have no difficulty in finding entertainment for the week which the fleet will spend at Hono-



LAVA FLOW AT MAUI

FLEET'S FIRST PORT.

Plenty of Amusement for Jackies in Hawaii.

If the task of taking a fleet of battleships around Cape Horn and delivering them in fighting trim at San Francisco, a distance of 13,800 miles, was a remarkable naval feat, the one involved in the return by way of Suez will be doubly noteworthy. The voyage to the home waters, which will be begun this week, will cover almost exactly twice the distance—26,749 miles, to be exact—and include stops at Honolulu, Auckland, Australian ports, Manila, Japanese and Chinese ports and the usual ports of the Indian Ocean and the Mediterranean. When Rear Admiral Sperry presents his fleet of battleships for the review of President Roosevelt on Washington's Birthday he will have to his credit one of the notable cruises of naval history.

One of the attractions of a sailor's life is the opportunity to see the world. In this respect the sailors on the fleet which sailed from Hampton Roads last December, under the command of Rear Admiral Evans, have been especially fortunate. Before their return they will have seen a large proportion of the chief ports of the historical trade routes of the world.

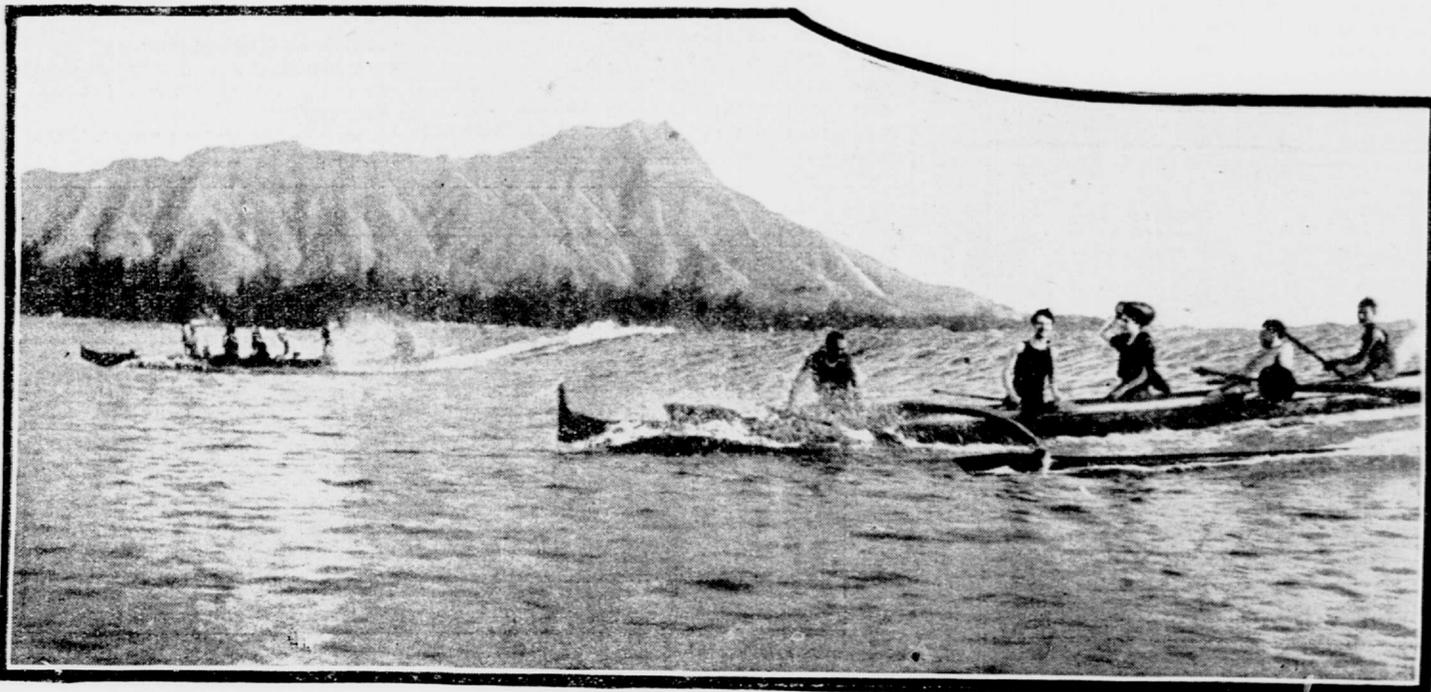
Their first port after leaving San Francisco will be Honolulu, the modest city of forty thousand souls which has been described as the "crossroads of the Pacific." It is expected that the fleet will enter the crescent-shaped harbor on Thursday, July 16.

The members of the crew off duty when the fleet steams past Koko Point and rounds Diamond Head will be treated to a scene of sensuous charm. Behind the city nestling at the water's edge rise sharply defined mountains of volcanic origin. At the right the jagged outline of Diamond Head stands out boldly and nakedly.



THE GREAT CRATER OF KILAUEA, HAWAII.

AN HAWAIIAN



THE EXCITING SPORT OF SURF RIDING AT DIAMOND HEAD, NEAR HONOLULU.

lulu, no matter what their tastes may be, the people of the capital of the Sandwich Islands are preparing a programme for them.

Honolulu itself will not present so many characteristics novel to American eyes as you the sailors may expect to find. It is said that Honolulu in its physical appearance is an illustration of what a New England town unilluminated by imagination can do for. The descendants of the missionaries who have done so much that is worth while for the islands insisted in erecting brick blocks of an interesting type of the average small town city among the palms of this semi-tropical country. Under American domination the islands have taken many progressive steps. The sleds drawn by horses of which the inhabitants to complain have been replaced by trolleys, and one may reach almost any part of the neighborhood by their use. The signs in English and the English language is now chiefly used.

One of the places to which many of the sailors will undoubtedly go will be Waikiki, which is reached by trolley. It is in this beach that the Hawaiians indulge in the exciting sport of surf riding. There are perhaps, no people on earth more nearly acquainted with the sport than the Hawaiians. Surf riding is called the national sport of the natives of the Sandwich Islands. It is almost the only