



HOUSTON IN SMOKER TONIGHT

CAGERS TRIP MORMONS

Houston Enters Basketball Semi-Finals

Sunday, January 28th, Captain "Snoz" Hattermer led his team to a brilliant victory over a Snappy Salt Lake City team which didn't stop scrapping until the final whistle. The good news was to the tune of 43-35. LaBarge and McFadden paced the Houston cagers offense with 18 and 10 points respectively, with Hattermer and Hagerstrom garnering six points each, and "Bud" Adams making the final contribution of 3 points.

Defensively, the whole group starred and held the flashy forward Mer-rimear, and pivot man, Hamm, of the Salt Lake to 10 points each.

Today, our team meets the New Orleans at the Air Station Gym at 1500 for the Cruiser Championship in the final game. We have an even chance, and excellent squad, and the will to win, so lets see lots of rooters behind them at the Gym. There will be a special boat run for the rooting party. Come one, come all, and let the team know you are behind them.

LONG DISTANCE "MELE KALIKIMAKA"

Though the Houston was far from home at Christmas this year, the ship's own private Santa Claus operated by remote control. Just before the holidays, \$450 was distributed

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NINE RAMBLERS TO FIGHT FOR CRUHAWDET LAURELS

At the boxing and wrestling smoker with CruDiv Six tonight, to select Cruisers, Hawaiian Detachment, Champions, the HOUSTON will furnish nine out of fifteen contenders. Winners of these semi-final bouts will, at a later date, meet the Champions of Destroyers, Hawaiian Detachment, to vie for top crowns of the entire Hawaiian Detachment.

On the wrestling mat, the HOUSTON pins her hopes on Chick, F1c — in the 126 lb. class — All-Navy bantamweight champion three successive years; Arthur, GM2c — 145 lb. class — last years group champion; and Juul, BM2c — 165 lbs. wrestling again under HOUSTON colors after a three-year absence.

In the ring, HOUSTON boxers represent CruDiv Four in every weight

but one. Starting with the bantam-weight class, "Mac" McPherson, a first-year lad with the finesse of a veteran, will seek to cop his first heavy-cruiser title. Either "Blackie" Strickland or Henry Holton, each of the HOUSTON, will fight in the feather-weight class. With little to choose from between them, the boxing coach could toss a coin and be sure of picking a winner, whether heads or tails.

Aligo, veteran of many years of campaigning, will fight in the welter-weight class, determined to bring another crown to the HOUSTON. Representing the middleweights "Bud" Adams — baseballer, basketballer, boxer — last years division champ in the same class — will be punching for a heavy-cruiser title likewise. In the 175 lb. class the other "Blackie" — Hartwick, winner of the group title by three straight KO's — will throw leather for a fourth successive win by the same route. Joe Lewdanski, the

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GENERAL HERRON VISITS HOUSTON

During the past week of tactics, the Houston played host to two unofficial observers from the sister branch of the service; Major General Charles D. Herron, Commanding General of the Hawaiian Department; and his Aide de Camp, First Lieutenant John T. Honeycutt.

The Houston may well feel proud of the honor of the courtesy visit, and add General Herron's name to the roster of distinguished guests.

It is interesting to note that, under the entire Hawaiian Military establishment which General Herron commands, is included the largest post in the United States Army — Fort Schofield, consisting of some nine hundred officers and twenty-two thousand men — and, incidentally, that the second largest Post in the Army is at Fort Sam Houston, Texas.