

Lily Bowmer May Sets New Record In Winning Feature Race For Women

Outrigger Swimmers Lead in Cham- pionship Meet; Expect More Records to Fall This Evening

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Clarence ("Buster") Crabbe of the Outrigger Canoe club, national one-mile swimming champion, splashed his way to new glory last night at the opening of the 1928 Hawaiian swimming championships and Olympic trials at the war memorial natatorium, Waikiki.

While about 1000 fans yelled themselves hoarse the husky Outrigger merman smashed three American records, one of the old marks being held by Johnny Weissmuller, one by Arne Borg and the third by F. Beaurepaire.

Lily Bowmer May of the Outrigger club came within one-fifth of a second of Ethel Lackie's 100-meter American record and broke the world's 100-meter straightaway record when she beat Mariechen Wehselau in 1 minute 12 seconds. Miss Lackie's record was made with one turn.

The Outrigger club is leading in the meet so far with 26 points. Hui Makani is second with 19 points, Central "Y" third with eight, McKinley fourth with six, Nuuanu "Y" fifth with three and Palama sixth with one. Army won all of the service events, piling up 18 points.

Fans who recall how fast Johnny Weissmuller travels in a 500 meter swim—how fast Arne Borg goes in a 1000 meter race—and the manner in which Beaurepaire hung up the 1500 meter American record in Honolulu harbor back in 1921, will have some idea of the way Crabbe ploughs through the water.

Without any serious competition Crabbe set a terrific pace from the start of the 1500 meter race, the first event on last night's program. He pulled ahead from the start, gradually increasing his lead with each lap. He was swimming alone, out in front, after the first couple of laps, but never let up on the long, steady stroke that was pulling him to new records.

The clock were "on" Buster at the 500 meter mark. As he passed that point the officials announced that his time was six minutes and 30 seconds, 20 seconds faster than Johnny Weissmuller's American record.

The announcement drew new interest from the fans who began to urge the swimmer on—furnishing encouragement to take the place of the competition that was lacking.

Another announcement came after the 1000 meter mark was passed—Crabbe had clipped 26 2-5 seconds off Arne Borg's American record for that distance.

There was no let-up in that long,

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