BUSTER FINISHES BEHIND CHARLTON, BORG AT OLMPIAD

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AMSTERDAM, Holland, Aug. 4.—(Saturday)— Clarence "Buster" Crabbe of the Outrigger Canoe club, Honolulu, this afternoon qualified for the finals in the 1500 meters freestyle swimming race at the Olympic games here.

The Honolulu swimmer took third place in the fifth heat against Arne Borg of Sweden and Boy Charlton of Australia. His time, however, was better than that made by any contestant in any other heat and by making the third best time in the trials he assured himself of opportunity to compete in the finals.

Borg finished first in the fifth heat. His time was 20 minutes, 141/5 seconds. Charlton was second. His time was 20 minutes, 172/5 seconds. Crabbe was close behind Charlton. His time was 20 minutes, 174/5 seconds.

None of the contestants in the trials came even close to endangering Charlton's Olympic record established at Paris in 1924. His time then was 20 minutes, 63/5 seconds. The Australian's 1924 Olympic record is also recognized as the world's record.

Crabbe swam a dramatic race for 30 laps. Never was he separated by more than a meter from Charlton while he and the Australian usually were 10 to 15 meters behind Borg. On the last lap both extended Borg who finished only four meters ahead of Charlton. Crabbe was only two strokes behind Charlton at the most exciting finish.

The real fight in the 1500 meters race at Amsterdam will corre in the finals. It is believed here that in the trials Crabbe swam only to make certain of qualifying and to gauge Charlton's ability. Having finished only 2/5 of a second behind the champion in the trials the Outrigger Canoe club star is expected to better his time immeasureably in the finals.