

Quarter-Finals Reached In N. Battleford 'Spiel

Special to the Star-Phoenix
NORTH BATTLEFORD Feb. 14.—As the North Battleford Curling Club's 33rd annual bonspiel swung into its third day of activity the eights were reached in the main open event of the 'spiel—the Grand Challenge. At the conclusion of the 1.30 draw this morning three North Battleford rinks had edged their way out to within one game of reaching the jewelry in the main competition.

LEADS IN AGGREGATE

Steven Hebert's foursome led in the Grand Aggregate with three wins in the Challenge and one victory in the other open event—the Citizens. Hebert played his second straight 13-end game in an early draw Tuesday. Agner Gunnaugson fell by the wayside in the Challenge after eliminating two of the most highly rated entries Jay Gould of Saskatoon and Ulmer from Meadow Lake. George Edwards cracked the Gunnaughlson rink on this morning's first draw to go into the eights of the Challenge. In the same draw Christofferson came off the ice smiling as he turned back Bill Mills quartet to go out in the bracket with Hebert and Edwards.

Another win that had the window skips looking at each other was when the kid rink headed by Jimmy Gillies eased by the Hornsby crew. Hornsby cleaned up almost everything there was to clean in local curling circles during the season and was rated by many as North Battleford's toughest entry in the 'spiel.

After a bad start on the opening draw Monday night Jay Gould's Saskatoon rink won their only game of the day handily over Mills in the Citizens event. Phillips of Rockhaven was unbeaten at the conclusion of Tuesday's draws. Phillips played two consecutive games on two consecutive draws against Schnell's local rink winning both.

Only other 13 ender of the play was Christofferson's win over Boyd in the Citizens.

RESULTS

8 A.M. DRAW

Grand Challenge

Ulmer 12, Pettypiece 9.

Tamlyn 6, Christianson 9.
Hollis defaulted to Christofferson.

Citizens

Gillies 10, Hobbs 9.
Edwards 11, L. Kerr 9.

10.30 A.M. DRAW

Grand Challenge

Whyte 7, Hobbs 6.
Abbott 9, Johnson 8.
Picketts 8, Hole 11.
Mighton 7, Leonard 9.
McGinnis 9, Herbert 10 (13 ends).

1 P.M. DRAW

Grand Challenge

Loft 6, Edwards 10.

Citizens

Doctor Nelson 5, Tamlyn 8.
McGinnis 6, Irwin 9.
Phillips 10, Schnell 7.
Gould 12, Mills 10.

3.30 P.M. DRAW

Grand Challenge

Schnell 4, Phillips 9.
Citizens
Lofts 8, Bicketts 13.
Hole 11, Christofferson 8.
Christianson 14, Boyd 13 (13 ends).

Mighton 9, Turnsham 8.

6 P.M. DRAW

Citizens

Abbott 12, H. Kerr 1.
Holliday 6, Esplen 9.
Hebert 12, Doctor Nunn 5.
Hamilton 4, Power 13.
Gillies 12, Glen 8.

8.30 P.M. DRAW

Grand Challenge

Boyd 7, Woodward 9.
Citizens
Leonard 10, Mighton 8.
Weir 13, Cruickshank 10.
Johnson 9, Pettypiece.
Glen 7, Whyte 11.

11 P.M. DRAW

Citizens

Ulmer 8, Gunnaughlson 8.
Woodward 9, Riddell 12.
Grand Challenge
Hornsby 10, Gillies 11.

H. Kerr 8, Whyte 12.

Doctor Nunn 6, Abbott 10.

1.30 A.M. DRAW WEDNESDAY

Grand Challenge

Power 9, Ulmer 5.
Weir 6, Hebert 10.
Christofferson 12, Mills 8.
Christianson 14, Hole 11.
Gunnaugson 8, Edwards 14.