

Around Hollywood

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Hollywood — (UP) — Mike Lane can call himself the biggest actor in town today, not because



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he's won any Oscars, but because he towers six feet, nine inches into the Hollywood smog.

Mike, a 24-year old wrestler, is Movie-town's male Cinderella of the year, in a giant-size package. He's never acted a day in his life, but his size brought him a top role in one of the most important movies of the year, "The Harder They Fall."

The wrestler will co-star with Humphrey Bogart—a sort of Mutt-and-Jeff combination—in the film that will "expose" boxing the way "On the Waterfront" dissected unions. Both movies were written by Budd Schulberg and made at Columbia Studio.

Plays Boxer Role

Brawny, 275-pound Lane snared the part of the boxer which most guess-who readers of the novel figured was patterned after Primo Carnera.

Lane is taking his controversial role very calmly. "I am confident I can do the part," he said. "I never had any trouble with anything else in my life. If other roles come along, I'd like to stay here."

Lane was uncovered by the studio talent search for an unknown (and this time they meant it) to "fill a pair of size 18 shoes." Talent scout Max Anthony combed "tip-topper" clubs, circuses and college sports in 15 cities before finding Mike wrestling in Houston, Tex.

Mike's shoes are size 12, but he won the job, anyway.

I found the new actor getting into shape in the studio gym. If you climb on a ladder, you can see he is dark-haired, good looking and wearing measurements of 52-36-44.

Born in Philadelphia
Mike hails from Philadelphia, but his parents live now in Clayton, N.J.

"I never liked school," Mike said. "I felt the teachers picked on me. I was so big they would catch me at everything."

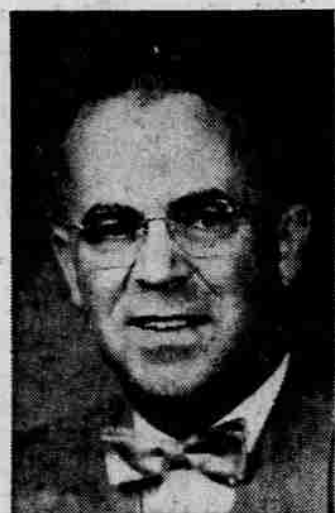
"After high school, I took up wrestling in a circus. My parents weren't too happy. After two years I figured I was good enough to go on my own and I've been a professional wrestler for four years."

Mike is a soft-spoken, has nice manners and eats three average meals a day, usually steak. He's not worried about being in a movie that pokes boxing.

"I don't like boxing, either," he confessed. "Boxing is deteriorating to the body. Wrestling is body-building. And it's no fake. You don't get these scars and cauliflower ears from 'acting' in the ring."

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ROGUE RIVER Navyman Returns to Ship

Rogue River — Robert Brown of West Evans Creek rd. left Wednesday for San Francisco to report for duty on his ship after several weeks stay at his ranch.

Mr. and Mrs. Brown made their home in San Francisco before purchasing a ranch in Evans Valley. Miss Audrey Brown, their daughter, has been vacationing in Germany, Switzerland and Austria since June. With a friend who lives in Germany, she toured the country on a bicycle. According to Mrs. Brown, Audrey will sail for New York Oct. 5 and return from there to San Francisco by plane.

Mrs. Yvonne Pugh announces the opening of a laundromat in the building back of R and M Hardware store on the Shade Combs property. Oct. 19 is the tentative opening date.

Jean Chapman, manager of Pine Villa Trailer Sales, is in Josephine General hospital in Grants Pass where he was taken

The first recorded meeting of Free Masons in California (then Lodge No. 13, now No. 1) was conducted at 726 Montgomery street, San Francisco, Oct. 17, 1849.

Saturday by ambulance from his home on Highway 99 North. He is suffering from severe pleurisy and complications. His condition is slightly improved today.

Junior Library Head To Take Annual Leave

The junior department of the Medford Public library will not be open on Tuesday evenings during the four-week period from Oct. 17 to Nov. 12, while Mrs. Nora McKay, department head,

is on annual vacation. Parents and teachers wishing to confer with Mrs. McKay are advised to visit the library this week, the library announcement said.

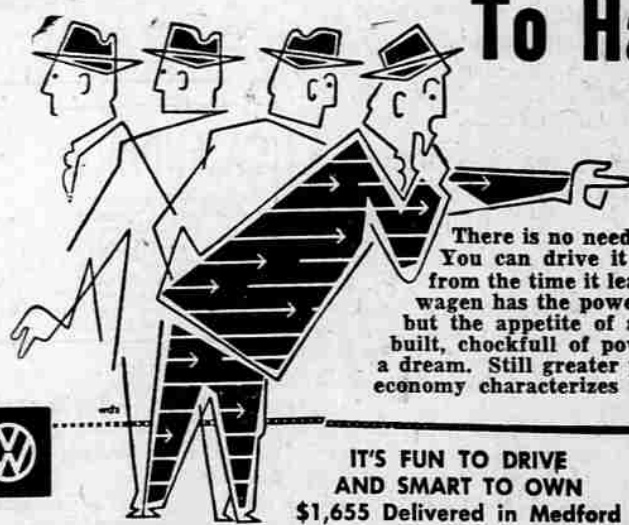
Daytime schedules for the department will remain as usual, with opening hours from noon to 5:30 p.m. every day except Sat-

urday, when the library opens at 10 a.m.

During Mrs. McKay's vacation Mrs. Florence Perkey will be in charge of the junior department, with the assistance of Misses Cynthia Hunt, Mary Fredenburg and Ruth Phillips.

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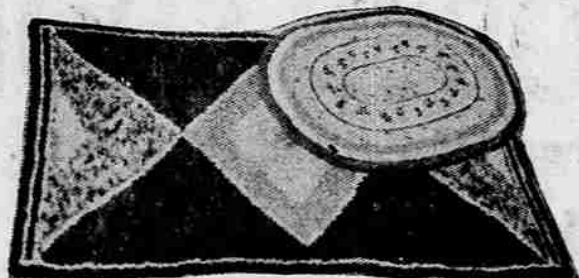
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