

Matt Craven

Returns to hometown to act in new movie

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PORT COLBORNE — Matt Craven never thought he would be coming back to his hometown to do a movie.

The 24 year old Canadian artist not only came home but began first day shooting on his birthday, Nov. 10.

Born here but moving to St. Catharines at a young age, Matt Craven is actually Mate Crnkovich. His father Nick Crnkovich, a well known resident of Yugoslavian origin, was killed in a car accident when Mate was only six weeks old.

DROVE TRUCK

After high school he drove a truck for about six months. However, he got the urge for acting and soon was in front of the Canadian cameras. He landed a role in *Meatball* then moved onto *Happy Birthday*



Matt Craven is monsters' first victim

To Me”, playing third lead behind Glen Ford and Melisa Sue Anderson. He was lead in a half hour drama by the National Film Board entitled *“Bravery in the Field”* which was nominated for an academy award.

Playing a “roustabout” in the television movie being filmed on an offshore drilling rig here, he has a nightmare of the impending monsters, and is the first to become a victim

He commented that Chad Everett is exciting to work with on the set, and added that the star performer is very good in the rugged role.

LIKES SHAKESPEARE

Matt said he eventually

wants to do Shakespeare but would have to wait until he is over 30 years of age. “One must do as much work in films as possible to realize your capabilities. I would like to eventually do a war picture.”

He said it is better for him to do lead television roles in Canada than to do smaller parts in the United States for movies. This will be his fifth picture of his career. “I have done lots of television with the CBC. As soon as I heard about this picture and it being shot here I auditioned,” he said.

Matt said that everyone on the set was great to work with particularly, the local men in the movie from the rig.

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