

At Home with the Movies

BRIDGE ON THE RIVER KWAI (1957)
Thursday, Jan. 7 (CBS)

One of the great classics of the screen, this David Lean-directed film stars Sir Alec Guinness as an indomitable leader of British troops imprisoned by the Japanese during World War II who leads his men in the building of a bridge as physical and mental therapy.

The film won the Oscar as best picture, Guinness won as best actor, Lean won as best director.

The national Catholic film office rated it A-1, unobjectionable for all. The film will be telecast in two parts, tomorrow and Friday night, Jan. 8.

BRIDGE ON THE RIVER KWAI (Part 2)
Friday, Jan. 8 (CBS)

(See preview for Thursday, Jan. 7.)

NAMU, THE KILLER WHALE (1966)
Saturday, Jan. 9 (NBC)

A semi-documentary produced by Ivan Tors; this film uses a slight fictional story about a marine scientist (Robert Lansing) who seeks to do research on whales, and in the process viewers get some fascinating insights on this species of mammal.

Villagers become perturbed when Lansing captures a male whale, and although the whale proves very friendly, local "villains" do their best to get rid of the beast. All ends happily, however; and NCOMP rated this A-1, unobjectionable for all.



A New Life

Jimmy is two years old, weighs only 14 pounds and has a new life. Lo Keng-Ming, as Jimmy is called in Chinese, was a premature baby and at 13 months a hole was found in his heart. His mother, Lai Lai-Han, a widow, suffered from severe heart disease. Following complicated surgery at a Seventh-day Adventist hospital in Kettering, Ohio, it is expected that Mrs. Lai and her son will soon return to Hong Kong, their home. When Jimmy's father died in Hong Kong's Adventist Hospital, the staff took an interest in the mother and son. After extensive care to help the boy gain weight and strength, Jimmy and his mother were referred to Kettering Memorial hospital. Cost of the trip halfway around the world was covered by physicians and nurses in Hong Kong, the Dayton District of the Fraternal Order of Eagles, and other private contributions. (RNS)

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IN LIKE FLINT (1967)
Sunday, Jan. 10 (ABC)

Derek Flint (James Coburn) was one of many spoof versions of James Bond, and — some critics argue — one of the better versions. This film is a sequel to one called Our Man Flint.

In this one, anyway, Flint does combat with a women's lib group planning to control the world, mainly by kidnaping the U.S. President, putting a look-alike in his place, and taking over from there.

Flint plays what one reviewer called "a clean-cut lecher." NCOMP rated this film A-2, unobjectionable for adults and adolescents, so nothing much happens in the lecher department.

FATHOM (1967)

Monday, Jan. 11 (ABC)

Raquel Welch plays the title role of an American sky diver

Third Grader Named 'Dimes' Poster Girl

Julie Peterson, third grader at Our Lady of Good Counsel School, Brooks Avenue, is the 1971 New York State Poster Child for the March of Dimes.

Julie, who will be 10 on Jan. 22, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Peterson, 121 Anthony St. She has two brothers, Edward, 12, and Thomas, 18 months, and a sister, Karen, 7.

She was selected from more than 100 handicapped children nominated from birth defects centers across the state. Julie was born without a left hand and a portion of her left forearm. She began wearing a prosthetic device when she was in kindergarten.

Julie says she wants to be an artist when she grows up. A former Brownie, she became a Junior Girl Scout a few weeks ago. She will help kick off the March of Dimes in Monroe County at a noon luncheon Jan. 9 in the Rowntowner Motor Inn.

Dance to Benefit Irish Mission

An Irish Holy Ghost priest serving in East Africa will benefit from proceeds of a dance to be staged at 9 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 9, at the Rochester Harps Club, 115 Buffalo Road.

He is Father Pat Whelan, CSSP, who was ordained in Ireland five years ago and has been serving in the Mombasa Diocese in Kenya. His brother, Martin Whelan, is a parishioner of the St. Pius Tenth Church in Chili.

Entertainment at the dance will be provided by the Irish Penrose Dancers, the Rising Folk Singers and the Harps Band.

competing in Europe who is called upon to help the free world governments recover a secret device that could trigger an atomic bomb in the possession of "evil forces."

Part of the plot owes its origin to the real-life incident in which an H-Bomb was lost off the coast of Spain. Raquel spends most of the film in rather sensational outfits, but there is a fast-paced plot that also draws attention from time to time.

NCOMP rated this A-2, unobjectionable for adults and adolescents.

A RAGE TO LIVE (1965)
Tuesday, Jan. 12 (NBC)

Suzanne Pleshette is the star of this adaptation of a John O'Hara story. She plays a nymphomaniac married to Bradford Dillman, who gets quite angry when he discovers she has been trying to satisfy her sexual urges with other men, including Ben Gazzara.

The film was soundly ridiculed by the critics. The actors were seen as soap-opera cutouts who managed to make even nymphomania dull. NCOMP rated this A-3, unobjectionable for adults.

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