

Six Weeks could be the sleeper of the year

by TERRY DUPUIS

Amidst the flurry of Christmas time movie releases, sight seems to have been lost of a warm-hearted and worthwhile human interest drama called Six Weeks.

It brings together two performers named Moore, namely Dudley and Mary Tyler, and it marks the acting debut of a 12-year-old named Katherine Healy. This trio makes Six Weeks' screenplay glow and provide the movie with much of its appeal.

Dudley Moore, the diminutive British comedian who made an impressive Hollywood debut in a supporting role in Foul Play, had two other box-office smashed in the comedies Ten and Arthur. Six Weeks demonstrates that Dudley is also quite capable in a straight role. This time he is portraying a Congressional hopeful named Patrick Dalton who has been concentrating on politics for a number of years.

But his family life is most unhappy. As the story begins, Patrick is campaigning for Congress, the elections of which are only six weeks away. He becomes lost on the way to one of his own fund-raisers, and he gets directions from a little girl named Niki Dreyfus.

Patrick is so charmed by her that he takes her to the meeting. Niki, who is fatherless, takes an immediate liking to Patrick, and determines that she wants to help him with his campaign.

The problem is that it turns out that Niki's mother Charlotte, who is portrayed by Mary Tyler Moore, is the wealthy head of a cosmetics firm. She mistrusts politicians, and in her view Patrick is just using her daughter to gain a hefty campaign contribution.

However, during the next six weeks these three people are drawn closer together, as each of them has to deal with pressures and conflicts in their lives. Patrick has problems with his wife and worries about his public image; Charlotte has hangups about trusting men again, especially one who is involved in politics, and she has fears about her daughter's health; the daughter, Niki, has two dreams, one is to have a father and the other is to dance in the annual performance of the Nutcracker.

Mary Tyler Moore makes her first screen appearance since her acclaimed performance in Robert Redford's Ordinary People.

Her role as the concerned mother is Six Weeks is very convincing and it contains a lot of nice touches. The actress who plays the daughter Nike is a winsome child who can not only act but she is also a skilful ballet dancer. I'm sure that more will be heard of Katherine Healy in the future, in one capacity or another.

Mention should also be made of the sensitive direction in this movie by Tony Bill. Bill was a young actor in the sixties who became a producer in the 70's and has become a significant director in the 80's.

Two years ago he directed the sleeper of that year, a little item called My Bodyguard. Sensitivity to human needs, to how people can help each other, were the hallmarks of that movie, and the same applies to Six Weeks.

Kings unleash attack

by Ron Johnson

Penetanguishene Junior Kings got their offence in gear last weekend in a home and home series with the Bracebridge Bears. Kings scored a total of 19 times in sweeping the two games, 12-7 Sunday in Penetang and 7-2 Friday in Bracebridge.

Sunday, at home, Kings got goals from 10 different skaters on their way to the 12-7 whipping. Forward Brian Norwood and newly acquired Brian Abbott each scored a pair of goals for the winners. Abbott set up three other goals and Norwood got two assists as they were named the second and third stars of the game for their efforts.

Eight players scored one goal each. They were Gary Beausoleil, John Monague, Bob Weatherill, Carl Cowan, Dave Robillard, Calvin Sine, Brian McReynolds, and Glenn Lesperance.

First star of the night was defenceman Mike Jones of the Bears, who scored three goals and set up another. Mark Antonia, a speedy left-winger scored twice and added a pair of assists in another fine showing on behalf of Bracebridge.

Each team scored only one goal while holding a man-advantage.

It's this type of balanced attack that the Kings will need if they

are to proceed through the playoffs. No team can afford to open up the attack with Kings if all of the forwards are able to put the puck in the opposition's goal.

Kings took eight minor penalties in the game in comparison to Bears' five.

Shots on net favoured Penetanguishene by the margin of 53-44. Kevin Steele was between the pipes for Kings.

Friday's game was not so wide open, but the results were very similar. Brian Norwood scored three times and John Monague got a pair as Kings dominated the game after the opening period.

Game was tied 2-2 after twenty minutes,

but Kings scored the last five goals of the night to win going away, 7-2.

Bob Weatherill and Peter Roi scored singles for the winners.

Bryan Lethbridge was solid in net, stopping 37 of 39 drives directed at him.

Royalties....Semi-final action begins tonight in

Stayner where Kings have won all three games this season...first home game of the playoffs is Friday night starting at 8:30 p.m....Norwood led the team in scoring for the season with 28 goals and 50 assists for 78 points in 33 games...Brian McReynolds had the most goals with 36, and Robillard had 34.

HCES report

PAULA HUNTER and KIM PHILLIPS

The Senior Girls' volleyball schedule is finally coming to a close. The final games will be today between teams three and five. Basketball will begin the following week.

Mrs. Todd's class really enjoyed their skating on Wednesday. Some of these students did not know how to skate before and now they do.

Mrs. Robertson's Grade 2 class have been working on Dinosaurs of Long Ago.

Mrs. Trace's Grade 3's are very thrilled that Linda Murray, their High School helper, will be back next term. They are also doing their good copies of their bird research.

The Huronia Winter Games Gymnastic Meet is being held at Eastview Collegiate on Saturday, March 5th.

Mrs. Baker's grade 4 and 5 class are going to be reading to Mrs. MacDonald's Kindergarten classes. The grade 4's are going snowshoeing at Timy Marsh.

January 24-28 was Non-Smoking Week.

Last week some posters were sent away and put on display. The people who sent their posters away were Derek Haines, Marcia Rowat, Rochelle French, Donna Stott, Audra Coburn, Laurie Coll, Kim McElwain, Keith Castator, Michael Rossel, Jeremy Sturgeon and Kim Wood.

Mr. Killam was in our school to assist some of our teachers with the use of the Science

Equipment we have.

The computer tickets are on sale for \$1.00 or a book of six for \$5.00. The teachers on the computer committee are Mr. Archer, Mr. Parent, Mr. Urquhart and Mrs. Dixon. Computer salesmen our visiting our school and discussing the benefits of their computer before we purchase our school computers.

Mrs. Lightfoot attended our school and presented a film on Epilepsy.

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Chuck Norris Jennifer O'Neill 7:15
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