

Kid Blue sinks slowly in West

Kid Blue is just another one of the multitude of mediocre movies which have been hitting the screens lately. Another attempt to appeal to the "rebellious, dissatisfied youth" in hopes that they will pay money to see it.

One of the few movies to take this concept and do an admirable job was *Steelyard Blues*. Unfortunately, it failed at the box office.

But back to *Kid Blue*. What could be better, or funnier, than a turn-of-the-century, bumbling train robber, *Kid Blue* (Dennis Hopper)? Have him decide to go straight and put him in a town where the sheriff just wants an excuse to kill him. Have him chastised because he doesn't have a formal education, called a heathen because he doesn't worship the almighty dollar sign and seduced by his best friend's wife. Frankly, a lot of things could be better.

Kid Blue, leaves one with the distinct feeling of gargling with milk of magnesia—complete blah.

larry kubert what can I say?

There is only one scene which has any vitality at all, when Peter Boyle as Preacher Bob, a paranoid minister, builds an aerocycle to fly him to heaven.

The rest are all forgettable or distasteful. Striving to be humorous, director James Frawley storm-troopered into bad taste. There is nothing funny about Hopper taking a job as a chicken plucker, wringing his first chicken neck.

There is definitely nothing amusing about Sheriff "Mean John" Simpson (Ben Johnson) gunning down a drunken, senile Indian.

Hopper tries hard as the quiet robber, but he's just wasting his time. He's a better actor than the script deserves.

Warren Oates as Reese Ford, Blue's best friend, and Johnson act as if they had two weeks off with nothing else better to do. Lee Purcell as Ford's wife, who warms the cuckolds of *Kid Blue's* soul, tries too hard, however.

Kid Blue's run in Lincoln is a test screening to determine the public's response to it. It would be best to let *Kid Blue* ride into the sunset, never to return.



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cinema

Cinema 1: *Kid Blue*, 1, 3, 5, 7, 9 p.m.
 Cinema 2: *Man of La Mancha*, 1:10, 3:35, 6, 8, 30 p.m.
 Cooper/Lincoln: *Lolly-Madonna*, 2, 3:50, 5:40, 7:30, 9:20 p.m.
 Douglas 1: *Soylent Green*, 1:30, 3:25, 5:20, 7:25, 9:30 p.m.
 Douglas 2: *Shamus*, 1:30, 3:30, 5:30, 7:20, 9:16 p.m.
 Douglas 3: *Souder*, 1:30, 3:25, 5:17, 7:10, 9:10 p.m.
 Embassy: *The Cheerleaders*, 11, 12:45, 2:30, 4:15, 6, 7:45, 9:30, 11:15 p.m.
 Henzik Hall-Union: *Yellow Submarine*, 7, 9:30 p.m.
 Hollywood: *The Poseidon Adventure*, 7, 9:15 p.m. Matinees Friday through Sunday, 2:20, 4:40 p.m.
 Plaza 1: *Brother Sun, Sister Moon*, 1, 3:15, 5:30, 1:30, 9:45 p.m.
 Plaza 2: *Cabaret*, 2:15, 4:30, 6:45, 9:15 p.m.
 Plaza 3: *The Godfather 2*, 5:15, 8:30 p.m.
 Plaza 4: *Charlotte's Web*, 1, 3, 5, 7, 9 p.m.
 State: *Cinderella*, 1, 3:52, 6:44, 9:35 p.m. *Charlie and the Angel*, 2:14, 5:06, 7:58 p.m.
 Stuart: *Class of '44*, 1:30, 3:30, 5:30, 7:30, 9:30 p.m.
 Vine: *Clockwork Orange*, 7, 9:35 p.m. Matinees Friday through Sunday, 1:55, 4:25 p.m.

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