

Shep Comes Home

US : 1948 : dir. Ford Beebe : : ? min
prod: : scr: : dir.ph.:
[Billy Kimbley](#)
Adult cast unknown

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Who wouldn't !

Source: The Moving Picture Boy

The Moving Picture Boy entry Billy Kimbley:

"It was said that William Kimberley (as he was billed in early years) had made over 600 appearances on the Broadway stage, as actor, dancer and singer, before he was twelve. Since he was also a healthy-looking curly blond, with

a determined bull-froggish look that recalled the pre-war German Wolfgang Kieling, it's not clear why his only lead was as the hero of a gloriously silly boy-and-dog adventure called "SHEP COMES HOME".

In this he evades consignment to an orphanage, and while on the run with Shep contrives to outwit and capture a brace of bank robbers. It's an epic – directed by the reliable Ford Beebe – that richly deserves revival on TV.

Billy Kimbley doesn't seem to have made any film appearances after 1951."

[no listing in "Halliwell's Film Guide", "Leonard Maltin's Movie and Video Guide 2001", "Speelfilm Encyclopedie", "The Critics' Film Guide", "The Good Film and Video Guide", "Movies on TV and Videocassette 1988-89", "Rating the Movies (1990)", "The Sunday Times Guide to Movies on Television", "The Time Out Film Guide", "TV Times Film & Video Guide 1995", "Variety Movie Guide 1993", "Video Movie Guide 1993" or "The Virgin Film Guide"]

A small studio production (not, in any case, MGM, Warners, United Artists or 20th Century Fox), I can find no other trace of it at all. It may even have been one of a doggie series starring the Alsatian. "Old Shep" certainly was a popular Country & Western hit of the sixties, so the name will register familiar to many of us through that. Pert [Billy Kimbley](#) was about 12, and Holmstrom lists eight obscure titles for him, such as "IT HAPPENED IN BROOKLYN" (46), "RAIDERS OF TOMAHAWK CREEK" (50) and "SILVER CITY BONANZA" (51).

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