S8520 SUMMERTREE (USA, 1971)

**Credits:** directors, Anthony Newley, Don Record; writers, Edward Hume, Stephen Yata; play, Ron Cowen.

**Cast:** Michael Douglas, Jack Warden, Brenda Vaccaro, Barbara Bel Geddes.

**Summary:** Melodrama set in contemporary California. Jerry (Douglas) is in college to avoid the draft. Feeling aimless, he drops out to apply to a music conservatory and study the guitar, but is turned down and drafted. Stopping at home, he argues with his father (Warden) about going to Canada, while his mother (Bel Geddes) recalls that her father came to the U.S. to avoid the draft in Poland. The ironic ending focuses on a TV news shot of a dead soldier in Vietnam.

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