Critic's Choice

Too few foreign films being shown in Boston

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Often, it happens that a film which has received uniform criticism in England and Europe gets a cold reception from the New York press. Particular attention is usually paid to the work of widely different viewpoints agree on liking the film, and American critics often disagree on liking the film. A film, that is, is not "Give Your Life to Live" (now showing in New York) received a critics' praise at Cannes, the highest rating coming from the British film magazine "Sight and Sound," and the first place in the list of top films of 1962 appearing in " Cahiers du Cinema." Now, it has been praised by almost all influential New York publications, from the New York Times, New York Post, and the Saturday Review. Personally, I respect the sight and sound of "Cahiers" considerably more than most of the New York publications, and I would like to see "My Life to Live!" in Boston. The trouble is that I probably won't have a chance to see the film, at least not if I remain here in New York. The New York press is very influential, and too few foreign films are shown in this city. With the New York Times the Boston Herald American and the Examiner screening most of the foreign films situation in Boston gets rather pitiful and poor.

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