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Sweden 1968 Friday Evening, September 19, 1969, at 9:30 Saturday Evening, September 20, 1969, at 6:30

Director **Bo Widerberg Production Company** AB Svensk Filmindustri **Bo** Widerberg Screenplay Photography Jörgen Persson (Technicolor, Techniscope) Editor **Bo Widerberg** Björn Oberg Sound

Leading Players Kjell Peter Schildt His Mother Kerstin Tidelius His Father Roland Hedlund Ake, his brother Stefan Feierbach Martin Martin Widerberg Marie de Geer Anna Her Mother Anita Björk Her Father Olof Bergström Nisse, Kjell's Friend Jonas Bergström The Strikebreaker **Olle Björling** The Foreman Pierre Lindstedt

Cannes Festival 1969: Special Jury Prize

Running time: 115 minutes.

This film is distributed in the United States by Paramount Pictures Corporation.

Adalen '31 is a masterful synthesis of the social comment of Widerberg's Raven's End and the pure cinematic lushness of Elvira Madigan. The battle for socialism in Sweden, it would seem, was not so easily won, and the film is dedicated to the five martyrs of the Adalen Riots. The story of a family of workers on strike, it moves from their original passive endurance to the committed stage of open conflict. Widerberg's view of revolution has been called romantic: it is. But the strength of the film comes from the tension between the horror of the subject matter and the sensual Renoir-like beauty of the treatment.