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[no listing in "The Golden Age of Children's Television", "Halliwell's Television Companion", "History of Television", "How Sweet It Was", "Into the Box of Delights - a History of Children's Television", "Television's Greatest Hits" or "25 Years of ITV - 1955-1980"]

The story concerns twins who are given mysterious glowing rocks by a Merlin type and ultimately save the Earth from alien invasion by means of said glowing rocks. Owing to a shortage of children in New Zealand, two child-shaped lumps of wood were cast in the leads. An entirely mundane and spiritless children's adventure, of the kind we've seen a thousand times before in this archive. One could be forgiven for thinking a decent script was a high-budget special effect, beyond the reach of children's television. The later New Zealand kids' SF serial "**The Boy From Andromeda**" also concerned "magic rocks", and this time cast a woman in the title role to save on the wood.

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