

"BEAU GESTE" IS LUSTY TALE OF GALLANTRY; AT GRAND, FRI. AND SAT'Y

A roaring, lusty tale of the indomitable gallantry of three loyal brothers will blaze across the screen of the Grand Theatre when Paramount's great new production of "Beau Geste" is presented on Friday and Saturday of this week.

Gary Cooper, Ray Milland and Robert Preston are starred in this glorious picturization of the great C. P. Wren novel, produced and directed by William A. Wellman and written for the screen by Robert Carson. The superb supporting cast is headed by Brian Donlevy, Susan Hayward, J. Carrol Naish, Donald O'Connor and James Stephenson. As indicated by the

nature of the production, thousands of other players round out the cast, serving as legionnaires, and members of wild desert tribes.

With Cooper, Milland and Preston cast as the three "Geste" brothers—"Beau," "John" and "Digby", respectively, the picture tells how they gallantly join the French Foreign Legion to avert having the finger of suspicion point at any of them as guilty of the theft of a valuable sapphire, the "Blue Water," from their guardian. In the legion, there is desperate conflict between the brothers and a mad, brutal sergeant, "Markoff," played by Brian Donlevy, who, suspecting that one of the brothers has the gem in his possession, determines to get it for himself.

The picture reaches high peaks of adventure when Markoff, having chosen only Beau and John for duty at an isolated desert fort, Fort Zinderneuf, gains command, and drives the men to mutiny with his savage treatment. His efforts to force Beau and John to shoot the leaders of the mutineers are interrupted by an attack by a wild desert tribe, the "Touaregs." As the Legionnaires are killed in successive attacks, Markoff props their bodies in the

fort's embrasures to create the impression that it is still well-manned. A violent climax is reached when Beau is fatally wounded, and John plunges a bayonet through Markoff's chest as the latter tries to search Beau for the jewel.

The ultimate fate of the Brothers Geste and of the jewel is explained in an exciting flashback in which Digby figures prominently. Although "Beau Geste" is predominately a great adventure picture, there are many romantic scenes in which Ray Milland and Susan Hayward cast as the lovely ward of the Geste brothers guardian, figure prominently.

SOME FACTS REGARDING THE HABIT OF THUMB-SUCKING BY CHILDREN ARE GIVEN

Parents worry a great deal too much over thumb-sucking.

The greatest personages on earth probably sucked their thumbs.

Sucking of the thumb or fingers occurs in practically every child during the first year of life especially when hungry.

This common symptom of childhood has been blamed for various deformities of the face, teeth and hands.

Alarmists have insisted that thumb sucking is a contributory cause of diseased tonsils and adenoids and also of gastro intestinal disorders.

Children who suck their fingers are not any more susceptible to digestive disorders than those who do not.

Many claim that thumb sucking causes malocclusion of the teeth and facial deformity.

If malocclusion or malposition of the teeth does occur, it will spontaneously correct itself if the sucking disappears before the coming in of permanent teeth.

In a well fed, happy infant there should be no cause for alarm over thumb sucking.

During the normal period of hand to mouth reaction in the middle and latter months of the first year, it occurs as a result of the sucking reflex.

Thumb sucking seems to be increased during teething.

There is little to be gained by restraints during the first year.

The pediatrician, or children's doctor, should help reassure the parents and aid them in avoiding the often harmful battle which ensues when they try to "break the habit."

Such a power contest seems only to intensify the difficulty.

After infancy, during the pre-school years, the symptom is frequently seen associated with fatigue, boredom, illness, punishment and frustrating situations.

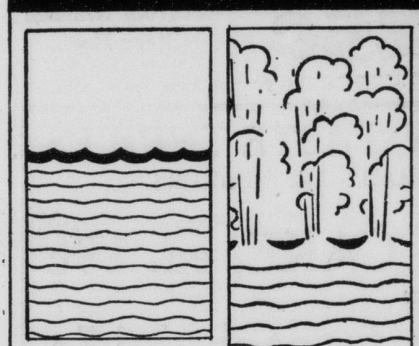
The child should be kept reasonably well occupied and the causes of emotional dissatisfaction should be removed.

Thumb sucking is important mainly because of the concern it causes parents.

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Surpassing in sea thrills even the magnificent schooner sequences of "Captains Courageous," hitherto considered "tops" of their kind, "Thunder Afloat" shows at the Grand Theatre, Patton as an epic story of naval courage, starring Wallace Beery in one of the most thoroughly satisfying characterizations he has ever enjoyed.

As the tug-boat captain who joins the navy and wants to fight the war single handed after an enemy submarine has sunk his craft, Beery is at his blustering best. The role is not all bravado, however. It permits him to prove himself the versatile veteran that he is, schooled in every art of the screen, Chester Morris, as Beery's bitter tugboat rival, is effectively convincing, while Virginia Grey, winning her most important opportunity to date as Beery's daughter, asks odds of no one in ability.

A most effective menace, because of the restraint in characterization of a part which might easily have been typical melodramatic heavy, is Carl Esmond as the U-boat commander. Others who lent brilliance to individual featured bits are Regis Toomey as Beery's second in command, John Qualen as his mate, Clem Bevans as a veteran of Manila Bay, Douglas Dumbrille as the district commandant, Jonathan Hale as Admiral Girard, Charles Lane and Philip Terry as naval officers.

The action thrills, filmed at sea, off the Atlantic coast with the remnant of the subchaser fleet of World War days, and off the Coronado Islands on the West Coast with the United States submarine "Sturgeon," often come near stealing the picture from the principals. Director George B. Seitz however, has never allowed his physical action to run away with his story and has maintained a perfect balance in continuity.

NANTY-GLO MAN FATALLY INJURED; STRUCK BY CAR

One man was killed and eight persons were injured, two of them seriously, in automobile accidents over the week end in the four county area.

Struck by an automobile while walking along a street in Nanty-Glo Saturday night, Alex Karlinchak, 63, a Nanty-Glo miner, was killed instantly.

He suffered a fracture of the skull and a broken neck. A Nanty-Glo physician said he died instantly.

According to Pvt. F. M. Boring of the Ebensburg Sub station of the State Motor Police, and Chief of Police Guy J. Coria, of Nanty-Glo, Karlinchak was struck by an automobile driven by Walter Brothers, 36, of Ebensburg.

Police said that Karlinchak walked directly into the path of the Brothers machine. The accident occurred at 8:20 p. m. Karlinchak was said to have been walking toward his home at the time of the accident.

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