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The
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French Pictures!



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(IE JOUR SE LEVE)

with JULES BERRY, ARLETTY and JACQUELINE LAURENT

PRESENTED WITH ENGLISH TITLES

DIRECTED BY MARCEL CARNE

## JEAN GABIN'S RISE TO FAME IN MOTION PICTURES!

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One usually wonders at the piece of good luck that often befalls a star-to-be and makes him or her a real star overnight, but after all if there is talent in someone it is bound to be discovered some day . . . that was the case with Jean Gabin.

One day, back in 1932, he was doing to the best of his ability a small part in the movie version of Courteline's famous play "Les Gaites de l'Escadron": he was a soldier in barrack scene. There was nothing extraordinary about the scene, and it was quite short, but somebody happened to be on the set who had a good eye for new personalitis. That was Julien Duvivier, who decided there and then that this Gabin fellow with his uncommon ease and naturalness of gestures should get a good part in his next film.

A few months later Duvivier started work on "Maria Chapdelaine", based on the Canadian novel by Louis Hemon, and gave Gabin the much sought-for part of Francois Perier. It was a revelation and Gabin was hailed as France's coming male star. This overnight reputation was only confirmed by his subsequent pictures, one of which "Pepe le Moko" — also a Duvivier production, which was remade in Hollywood with Charles Boyer under the title of "Algiers" — made him unquestionably the greatest French actor of his type, while bringing to him the attention of movie fans all over the world.

#### JEAN GABIN



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Of course Gabin cannot be ranked as the typical good-looking male lead, although his strong personality has won him many women's hearts, but he made the film producers in France aware that the screen can offer something deeper and more profoundly emotional than pure 'romance', so mething nearer to real life which does not always have a 'happy ending', and in the last few years France's most prominent directors shared with Gabin their biggest successes.

Jean Renoir's "Grand Illusion" was perhaps the most 'beautiful' picture in the most complete sense of the word, much of it due to Gabin's superb performance — Marcel Carne's last picture "Daybreak" (Le Jour Se Lave) is a masterpiece of technic: completed just before the war, it is probably the last picture to come out of France, and it is typical of that French uncanny gift to blend rare emotional humanity with ordinary facts of life, in the most powerful drama of love and fate that the screen can offer.

'Daybreak' brings you Gabin again



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JEAN GABIN
JULES BERRY
ARLETTY
Jacqueline LAURENT
Jacques BAUMER
Mady BERRY

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Story

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Script and Dialogue.....

Director.....

Musical score .....



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### "DAYBREAK" GIVES A GREAT ROLE TO JEAN GABIN!

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The last picture completed in France, before the war took away both Gabin and Marcel Carne to their military obligations, is offering new type of role to Gabin's powerful interpretation.

This simple story of an honest worker, in love with a young orphan girl and who finds himself caught in a hopeless tangle of love and jealousy, is told in flash-backs, bringing out very effectively the various scenes which explain the climax of the beginning. We see Francois, barricaded in his room, recalling to himself his first encounter with Francoise, how lovely she was, how they had become friends and he had thought of settling down and getting married, how they had planned to go and pick lilacs at Easter . . .

While the crowd roars outside, calling for him to come out and surrender himself to the police, he revives the evening when he met Valentin and became entangled with his partner Clara, much against his will. How Valentin had dragged in and out of Francoise's life and his own since . . .

The Police is machine-gunning his door now — what does he care . . . his whole love for life has gone for ever, gone with the confidence he had put in Francoise. Why had she never told him how she had got to know this horrid Valentin . . . Clara told him enough that he was dangerous, in fact Valentin said that himself.

Yes, he had said it again and again this same evening a few hours before as Francois was preparing for his night's rest, insinuating that young girls like Francoise were sometimes attracted by dangerous men like him . . .

That's why he killed him, because he could not bear to hear that man talk about Françoise any longer . . . And now nothing matters any more . . . soon it will be the dawn of another day, but for him alone it will not mean a new day's work and vainly the alarm-clock will ring in the deserted room.

As Grench in its Telling as in its Theme!

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