

Pillow Fight

UK : 1898 : dir. : Riley Brothers Silent : 75 sec
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The British Film Catalogue 1895-1985
 listing:

“Comedy. Four girls fight with pillows in bedroom.”

[no listing in "Classics of the Silent Screen", "A Pictorial History of the Silent Screen", "Silent Movies: A Picture Quiz Book", "Halliwell's Film Guide", "Leonard Maltin's Movie and Video Guide 2001", "Bloomsbury Foreign Film Guide", "The Critics' Film Guide", "The Good Film and Video Guide", "Movies on TV and Videocassette 1988-89", "Rating the Movies (1990)", "Speelfilm Encyclopedie", "The Sunday Times Guide to Movies on Television", "The Time Out Film Guide", "TV Times Film & Video Guide 1995", "Variety Movie Guide 1993", "Video Movie Guide 1993" or "The Virgin Film Guide"]

No further information currently available. Spank the four of them! This would seem to be a straight steal from R.W.. Paul's film "**A FAVOURITE NURSERY SCENE**", released only the previous month. The Warwick Trading Company pitched in three years later with "**GIRLS INDULGING IN A PILLOW FIGHT**". There were many such instances of plagiarism between these pioneer film-making outfits, although the ideas they filched (boys knocking at a door and running away, for example) seem so elementary as to be beneath imitation.

Denis Gifford's *British Film Catalogue* is a staggering work of research, listing virtually every live action film shot in the UK over the first ninety years of the cinema, but uniquely valuable for information on these earliest silent pieces, the great majority of which we must assume to be lost.

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