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American naval officer and author whose experiences as a submarine commander were celebrated on the pages of best-selling fiction and non-fiction books. After graduating second in his U.S. Naval Academy class (1939), Beach was among the first to attend submarine school (1941). His first book, *Submarine!*, was published in 1952, and his novel *Run Silent, Run Deep* (1955) became a popular motion picture. In 1960 he commanded the nuclear submarine *Triton* on a record underwater circumnavigation of the globe.