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Definition: **Gable, Clark** from *Philip's Encyclopedia*

US film actor. His virile magnetism made him 'king' of 1930s Hollywood. Gable won his only Academy Award for best actor in *It Happened One Night* (1934). His performance as Rhett Butler in *Gone With the Wind* (1939) is one of cinema's most enduring. His best post-war acting was in the posthumously released *The Misfits* (1961).

Summary Article: **Gable, (William) Clark**

From *Britannica Concise Encyclopedia*

(born Feb. 1, 1901, Cadiz, Ohio, U.S.—died Nov. 16, 1960, Hollywood, Calif.) U.S. film actor. He debuted on Broadway in 1928 and went to Hollywood in 1930. After an initial rejection MGM signed him, and within a year he was playing romantic leads. He triumphed in *It Happened One Night* (1934, Academy Award). His sardonic virility and lighthearted charm appealed to men as well as women, and he became known as “the King.” Among his 70-odd films are *Mutiny on the Bounty* (1935), *San Francisco* (1936), *Saratoga* (1937), and, most memorably, *Gone with the Wind* (1939). After the death of his third wife, Carole Lombard, he became disenchanted with the film industry and joined the Army Air Corps, receiving the Distinguished Flying Cross and Air Medal for his wartime bombing missions. He later returned to Hollywood, starring in films such as *The Hucksters* (1947), *Mogambo* (1953), and *The Misfits* (1961).

Birth Place: Cadiz, Ohio, United States

Death Place: Los Angeles, California, United States

Name: Gable, Clark or Clark Gable

Gender: male

Nationality: American

Activity: American actor

Keywords: “Misfits, The”, American, “San Francisco”, Cadiz, acting, Ohio, “China Seas”, Lombard, Carole, Los Angeles, husband, “Night Flight”, “Free Soul, A”, Clark Gable, Gable, Clark, “Idiot’s Delight”, “Dancing Lady”, “Mutiny on the Bounty”, “Teacher’s Pet”, “It Happened One Night”, Best Actor in a Leading Role, “Red Dust”, Academy Award, motion picture, “Possessed”, “Saratoga”, “Mogambo”, “Gone with the Wind”, “Hucksters, The”, California, “Wife vs. Secretary”, Butler, Rhett

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