

### James W. Gerard Lists 59 Men Who He Says, "Rule the United States"

NEW YORK, Aug. 22 (AP)—In the opinion of James W. Gerard, formerly ambassador to Germany, 59 men "rule the United States."

M. Gerard compiled a list of these men for Thursday's New York Times which asked him to amplify a sentence in a pamphlet he wrote endorsing the crusade of Viscount Rothermere and Lord Beaverbrook for British Empire free trade and high protection. In that pamphlet he wrote:

"Give the 40 men who rule the United States ten years for the development of this industrial empire (the British Empire) and no country on earth could approach it in per capita wealth."

Explaining why he, as an American, should write on the subject, Mr. Gerard writes: "I refer to my excuse the interest that America, in common with all the world, has in the preservation of British prosperity."

**Omnia Office Holders**  
The list includes leaders in American finance, industry, the amusement field and journalism, but omits President Hoover and all other holding state and national offices, save Secretary Mellon.

M. Gerard explains the actual "power behind the throne" is wielded by men whose wealth and important industrial positions in the nation give them a permanent influence in American life. Statesmen, he said, are usually shorn of most of their power when they retire.

The list, Gerard follows, order named by M. Gerard follows:  
John D. Rockefeller Jr.  
Andrew W. Mellon.  
J. P. Morgan.  
George F. Baker, banker.  
John D. Ryan, copper magnate.  
Walter C. Teagle, president of the Standard Oil company of New Jersey.

Henry Ford.  
Frederick E. Weyerhaeuser, lumber magnate.  
Myron C. Taylor, chairman finance committee United States Steel corporation.

James A. Farrell, president United States Steel corporation.  
Charles M. Schwab, chairman Bethlehem Steel corporation.  
Eugene C. Grace, president Bethlehem Steel corporation.

I. M. Warner and Adolph Zukor, motion picture magnates.  
William H. Crocker, banker.  
C. F. and M. J. Van Sweringen, railroad magnates.

W. M. Atterbury, president Pennsylvania railroad.  
Arthur Curtiss James, large holder of railroad securities.  
Charles Hayden, financier.  
Daniel C. Jackling, president Utah Copper company.

Arthur V. Davis, president Aluminum Company of America.  
M. Gossler, president Columbia Gas and Electric corporation.  
R. C. Holmes, president Texas corporation, oil producer.  
John J. Raskob.

The Du Pont family (seven members).  
Edward J. Berwind, financier.  
Daniel Willard, president Baltimore and Ohio railroad.

Sothesses Behm, president International Telephone and Telegraph corporation.  
Walter S. Gifford, chairman American Telephone and Telegraph Co.  
Owen D. Young, chairman General Electric company.

Gerard Swope, president General Electric company.  
Thomas W. Lamont of J. P. Morgan and Company.  
Albert H. Wiggin, banker.  
Charles E. Mitchell, banker.  
Samuel Insull, electric power magnate.

The seven Fisher brothers, motor magnates.  
Daniel Guggenheim and William Loeb, mining magnates.  
G. W. Hill, president American Tobacco company.  
Adolpha S. Ochs, publisher.  
William Randolph Hearst, publisher.

Robert R. McCormick and Joseph Medill Patterson, publishers.  
Julius Rosenwald, merchant.  
Cyrus H. K. Curtis, publisher.  
Roy W. Howard, publisher.

Bankers Most Influential  
No attempt was made by Mr. Gerard to rank his selections according to his opinion of their importance, but he expressed the belief that as a class the bankers exert the greatest influence, because they control the purse strings of the nation.

He declared while all these men are too busy to run for political office, their influence, financial, industrial and semi-political, determines the men who shall go in office.

**School To Open At Elgin, Oregon September First**

By Mrs. LYNN HILL (Observer Correspondent)  
ELGIN (Special)—Elgin school will open September 1. Several new teachers have been employed for this year's work.

Dan Graham and William Russell left Wednesday for the Burnt river country. They will be gone for some time as they plan to work at a mine they have an interest in.

Grandma Beckwith is improving from a severe illness of the past two weeks. Her daughter, Mrs. Stella Witt, and a son, Joe, from Wallowa, have been with her. At this time she is reported as being able to sit up.

Mrs. Matt Weis, of La Grande, was calling on old friends here last week. The Weis family made Elgin their home for many years.

Dr. and Mrs. Thompson, with Mr. and Mrs. Scott Harris, spent Sunday afternoon at the Cove swimming pool.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Stringham, owners of the City Drug store, are asking their vacation this week. During their absence, Scott Harris is in charge of the store and Miss Wilma Hill is operating the fountain.

Mrs. Guy Arnold and children spent last week at the Bert Hill home. Mrs. Arnold is recovering from an operation performed at the Grande Ronde hospital. She has returned to the camp above Meacham to make arrangements to move to Elgin for the school year.

Mrs. Nancy Merritt has practically recovered from a critical illness of last week.

The Methodist Ladies' Aid will meet this Thursday at Mrs. Merritt's home. Mrs. Millie Oshorn will assist the hostess.

Mrs. Irene Osborn is spending the week at the Isaac Bingham home at Imbler.

Mrs. Perrin and Mr. and Mrs. John Czekler, with Dorothy and Wendell, attended the Cove pioneer picnic last Sunday. For many years the

### PLAN DROUGHT AID WITH HOOVER



Associated Press Photo  
Samuel H. Thompson (left), president of the American Farm Bureau Federation, and C. E. Huff, president of the National Farmers' Union, will meet with President Hoover to consider plans of relief for farmers in the drought stricken areas.

It had 11 rattles and a button. Ronald McKinnis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herschel McKinnis, of Wallowa, arrived from his home in Pittsburgh, Pa., where he is employed in food research work in connection with the university and a large corporation.

The Lostine school opens Monday, Sept. 1.  
Mrs. Max Cook, of Wallowa, had an her guest last Tuesday, Miss Fred Hall, of Lostine.

Mr. and Mrs. Minnie Thieme spent Wednesday in La Grande on business.  
Elwood Knouse underwent a tonsil operation in Enterprise last Thursday.

Miss Edna Hamack visited Miss Mabel Elliott, of Joseph, last week.  
Mrs. Albert Daisley, of Joseph, came down on Wednesday for a visit with Mrs. Dean Crow.

Mrs. Helen Jackson and daughter, June, of Salem, is visiting friends in Lostine this week.  
Mrs. Edgar Garrett visited last week at Kimberly with her daughter, Mrs. Anderson.

Miss Mildred Harris, of La Grande, is spending her vacation with friends in Lostine.  
Mr. and Mrs. Fred West of Portland, spent several days at the G. L. Allen home.

Mrs. Grace Morris, of Perry, and her mother, Mrs. Elmer Vermillion, of Summerville, were visiting friends in Minam. Miss Hazel Allen accompanied them home.

Charley Whitley, of Pendleton, visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Mack Cook Sunday.

The little son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Cook was taken to Wallowa Monday where it was necessary that he have an abscess lanced.

Willard Staley has been confined to his home for several days due to a sprained back.  
Mrs. C. E. Thomas entertained at dinner Saturday evening Mrs. Effie Cook, Mrs. Carrie Caudle and Mrs. Eva Fitzpatrick.

Miss Mildred Schelkey, of Portland, who has been visiting at the Harry Wade home, left on Tuesday's train for her home.  
Dick Cole and son, Dan and daughters, Dorothy and Ellen, of Haines, visited Sunday with Mr. Cole's brother, E. L. Cole and family.

John Bush, of Los Angeles, Cal., arrived last week and is visiting his nephews, Joe and Jess Allen. This is Mr. Bush's third trip to Wallowa county.  
The Rev. Weston Shields and Max Cook went up South Fork river for a week's vacation and camping and fishing trip.

George Wart, who has spent several weeks in the Pendleton district hauling wheat, returned home last week and is hauling grain for W. B. Hunter.  
Mrs. Beale Loyd, who has been with her husband, a fire guard near Fruita, returned home this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Lealis Ripplinger and Mrs. Earl Allen enjoyed a hike from the Iron Dyke cabin up South Fork to Chimney lake, Sunday. Merle Cook and party were also at the lake. Merton Wade, younger son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wade, is getting along nicely after an operation which he underwent last week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. White and three sons who have been spending their vacation at Wallowa lake, stepped off in Lostine to visit old friends. They went from here to Union where they visited the George

Moffit family. They then went to Portland to visit Mrs. White's parents. He is stationed at Rich but their home is in Pendleton.  
William Wiggins and Bert Cussen were business visitors in Wallowa Tuesday.  
Lee Jacobs, of Innaha, is visiting his uncles, Bert and Norris Cussen.

### ASTORIA UNIT USES CLATSOOP RIFLE RANGE

SALEM, Ore. (AP)—Company L, 186th Infantry, Astoria's unit of the Oregon national guard, will henceforth enjoy the year round, a privilege accorded the rest of Oregon's military forces only 15 days out of each year. This will be the use of the new federal rifle range that has just been completed at Camp Clatsop costing \$10,000.

Major General George A. White, adjutant general of Oregon, has returned from Clatsop Plains where he supervised the construction.  
Camp Clatsop is located where the annual field encampment and training period of the national guard is held, and during that period the range will be used for field instruction. The Astoria unit, being near at hand, may use it any time.

The range has two firing points, distances 200 and 300 yards from the targets. There are 28 targets of the regulation federal ordnance sliding type, some of them 6 by 6 feet in dimensions and others 6 by 10. Two rifle pits were built, nine feet deep, eight feet wide and having a total length of 308 feet. The walls and floors of these are of concrete construction with careful protection provided for the pit crew that manipulates the targets.

A complete telephone system has been installed, six telephones in the pits and six at the firing line. Also disks are provided at the pits for flashing results to the line. Benches and tables will be provided at the firing points for the use of score keepers and benches in the pits for the markers.

### Forecast of Life In 1940 On Screen at State

A forecast of life and love in 1940 is promised in the Gaumont-Tiffany all-talking picture, "High Treason," presenting Jameson Thomas, Benita Hume, Humbertson Wright and Basil Gill at the State theater today and Saturday.  
1940, according to this story from a play by Pemberton Billing, will be a purely mechanical age. Television and wireless will be used instead of newspapers. Helicopters and airplanes will alight and depart from specially constructed landing stages on the tops of buildings. The night club's dance orchestra will be a mechanical one controlled by wireless. Such as a brief survey of the mechanical marvels which "High Treason" suggests will be in general use ten years hence.

The plot revolves around a beautiful young girl ardently devoting her energy to a Peace League of which her father is the European war-general, and a handsome young major of the European air force. Their love runs along a smooth path until an international armament corporation, looking for a war to fill its pockets, starts a lot of atrocities on borders and agitates a war. Then the maid of peace defies the man of war until peace and the women of the world win the argument.

The oldest pitcher in the Western league this season is Naylor, of the Pueblo club, who is 38.

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