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## THE COMMISSION TO BEGIN INVESTIGATION

(By Scripps News Association)  
St. Petersburg, Feb. 20—M. Schidlersky, president of the commission appointed by the czar to inquire into the grievances of the Russian workmen today completed arrangements with the owners of the factories for the appointment of fifteen delegates to be chosen from the ranks of the owners. The workmen have been invited to select a representative for each five hundred workmen. These in turn are to select forty delegates to the commission.

## Some Money Paid to Panama Commission

(By Scripps News Association)  
Washington, Feb. 20.—A total of \$1270 has been paid by the Panama R. R. as fees to members of the canal commission for attendance at the meetings of the executive committee and board of directors, according to the statements submitted to the house committee of Commerce by Vice President Drake this morning. Admiral Walker, chairman of the commission, and Commissioner Gramsky attended 25 meetings of Board Directors, receiving \$25 for each meeting, Commissioner

## PACIFIC COAST NAVY YARD

Washington, Feb. 20.—During the debate in the house today, Representative Jones urged the house to cut off the appropriation for one of the proposed new battleships and devote that money to constructing another drydock at the Puget Sound navy yard. He said a large navy was of little use if there was no place to dock and repair its ships. He thought it expedient to build another dock at Bremerton without delay, pointing out the increasing demand for dockage facilities on the Pacific coast. He offered no amendment providing for the dock, believing it would be voted down, but gave notice that at the next session he would insist upon an appropriation for another dock.

Parsons attended 7 meetings and received \$175. Drake submitted a statement showing one dividend declared by the company since his election to the board of members to the commission was five per cent. The checks mailed to members of the board of commissioners are as follows: Walker 94 shares to Burr, Davis, Heckler, Hanod, Parsons, Gramsky checks for five dollars on one share each. Drake stated that although Gramsky returned first fee paid him it was subsequently not returned.

## Called Him a Liar

(By Scripps News Association)  
Chicago, Feb. 20.—Thomas H. Lawson received the lie direct this afternoon when James H. Eccles, president of the Commercial National Bank, denied Lawson's charge made in the March issue of "Everybody's Magazine" that he, Eccles, while comptroller of the currency under Cleveland threw a hundred million bond issue to the Morgan McCall syndicate,

## STILL AFTER STANDARD OIL

(By Scripps News Association)  
Kansas City Mo. Feb. 20.—Representative Lyons will introduce in the Missouri legislature a bill declaring pipe lines common carriers and fixing the maximum freight rate. Senator Clark has also introduced the same bill in the senate.

Washington D C Feb. 20.—Representative Campbell of Kansas the author of the house resolution to investigate the Standard Oil Company had a long talk this morning with the President. This afternoon the President held a consultation with Mr. Garfield with reference to the government's method of procedure in the investigation of the Standard Oil company's business regulations in Kansas.

## Another Capture

(By Scripps News Association)  
Tokio Feb. 20.—The Japanese have captured the British collier Powder Horn bound to Vladivostok.

## Vanderbilt Wins

(By Scripps News Association)  
Washington D C Feb. 20.—The Superior court today decided in favor of Alfred G. Vanderbilt in the suit in which he sought to recover from the government the sum of \$225,000 paid the government under protest in satisfaction of a war tax assessed against the estate of the late Cornelius Vanderbilt.

## Oppose Leases

(By Scripps News Association)  
Topeka, Kansas, Feb. 20.—The Oil Producer's Association has engaged Senator Fitz Patrick and Representative Bokman to go to Washington to oppose the transfer of the Foster leases in Indian territory to the Standard Oil. The Kansas delegation in congress will be asked to oppose the transfer.

## PEACE NOW IN SIGHT

(By Scripps News Association)  
Berlin, Feb. 20.—Tageblatt reports that the peace party has gained the upper hand in the Russian court eclipsing anything heretofore made manifest including many prominent men of the war party. Peace says the leading papers is now in sight in the far east.

## Train Wreck

(By Scripps News Association)  
Patterson N J Feb. 20.—An Erie way train jumped the track this morning three miles east of this place killing Miss Grace Mathews, and injuring twenty other passengers. [Later] The injured number 44 of whom one woman will die. The train went over a twelve foot embankment. These most seriously injured have been taken to the Patterson hospitals.

## Frozen To Death

A young man named Christensen was frozen to death Friday night between Shedley and Idaho Falls. Christensen in company with several others had been drinking heavily at a dance at Shedley. They left the dance and started home in a wagon with Christensen lying in the bottom. When they reached home he was dead.—Blackfoot Democrat.

## Free Speech Demanded

(By Scripps News Association)  
St. Petersburg, Feb. 20.—While the Cossacks were parading the streets, especially Nevsky in the neighborhood of Kazan cathedral, the usual district for student demonstrations today, great meeting of students, professors of the St. Petersburg university assembled to discuss the question of joining the strike under similar instructions. The auditorium of the university was packed. Student orators denounced the course of the government declaring its promises of no avail and that the government must grant freedom of speech, conscience, press and convocation of the national assembly also demanding the end of the war. At an overflow meeting revolutionary spirit ran riot, students even glorifying in the murder of Grand Duke Sergius. The meeting took a recess at 3 o'clock, the students singing "Marseilles" and carrying red flags. After voting to suspend all studies until September, students and faculty adopted resolutions demanding last—a constituent assembly on basis of universal suffrage and under conditions of liberty of speech and press and of the association and freedom of laborers in the strike. 2nd—Full amnesty for religious and political offenders. 3rd—Autonomy for each part of country not of Russian nationality.

## Smuggled Bombs Seized

(By Scripps News Association)  
London, Feb. 20.—A dispatch received here today by the Central News from Eydtkayin a place situated on the Polish frontier states that the Russian authorities have stopped large quantities of bombs which were being smuggled across the frontier apparently to be used by the anarchists.

## Recommends The Boodlers be Expelled

(By Scripps News Association)  
Sacramento Feb. 20.—The senate budgeting investigating committee made their report this morning finding senators, French, Connors, Wright and Bankers guilty of accepting bribes as charged and recommends their expulsion forthwith. The committee also finds that the San Francisco Examiner assisted in preparing the investigation of the Continental Building and Loan Association which resulted in the bribery scandal and exonerated Lieut. Anderson from the charge of knowingly selecting a committee alleged to be "packed" for the purpose of "holding up" the Building and Loan Association. This legislative scandal has been the cause of much excitement in the golden state for several weeks. The consideration of this report was made a special order for Tuesday morning.

## Switched Cody's Drinks

(By Scripps News Association)  
Oheyene, Feb. 20.—In the Cody divorce case now in progress here, Attorney McArthur of North Platte testified that at a banquet at North Platte in 1903 Mr. Cody called for coffee and that Mrs. Cody gave him whiskey instead which made him very sick. This is one of the occasions on which Cody alleges that his wife tried to poison him. The witness for the defense today testified that Mrs. Cody never used profane or vulgar language never drank or kept liquor about the place and that she was at all times kind and indulgent with Mr. Cody. The witness also stated that the family of Mrs. Cody always treated Mr. Cody's guests with the greatest consideration.

## CITY EDITOR ARRESTED

(By Scripps News Association)  
New York Feb. 20.—Dennis Donohue financial editor of the Commercial was arrested this afternoon charged with criminal libel preferred by Herbert Gray of Mass. The arrest was based on public opinion made in answer to Lawson's "Frenzied Finance" Gray charges Donohue refers to him as a former keeper of a gambling house. He denies that he ever kept such a house that he is a breeder of blooded horses. Wall Street is inclined to the opinion that Lawson is being charged against Donohue.

## VIOLENT MEMBER IS CALLED DOWN

(By Scripps News Association)  
Washington Feb. 20.—In a rare impulsive speech, Baker, democrat, from New York, criticized the President for sending the czar a telegram expressing horror at the assassination of Grand Duke Sergius and offered a resolution to this effect which the chair decided out of order, Maddox of Georgia, Democrat declared that the democratic side of the house did not approve of "this damnable assassination".

## Important Decision

(By Scripps News Association)  
Washington, D C, Feb. 20.—The senate committee on Indian affairs today decided to insert the clause in the Indian appropriation bill prohibiting use of Indian funds for the support of any sectarian or denominational schools.

## Still Fighting

(By Scripps News Association)  
Tekos, Feb. 20.—Oyama reports that the Russians yesterday moved a division from front of the Japanese center to front of the left wing and advanced from Ti mountain. Several columns moved fifteen miles westward to Han Chia. The Russians continued to shell portions of Japanese lines Saturday without effect.

## Revolt in Angola

(By Scripps News Association)  
Lisbon, Feb. 20.—An attack by the rebels on Fort Marapia, in Portuguese South Angola, has been reported and it is stated that there are heavy losses. The Governor has requested reinforcements.

## Two Killed

(By Scripps News Association)  
Des Moines Feb. 20.—The Rock Island flyer No 5 is reported ditched and two killed. The report does not state cause of accident. The wreck occurred about 1:50. Two were killed Rev J J Johnson of Canton Ill and Henry Mehler, twelve injured in the smelter which dck and turned over.

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