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Six hundred police lieutenants in New York City, entertained President Taft at dinner.

Three persons were killed and more than one thousand persons were injured in street car riots at Philadelphia.

A democratic member of the New York legislature offered a resolution inviting Senator Root to address the legislature on the income tax. The republican members defeated the resolution.

An Associated Press dispatch under date of New York, February 24, follows: "An attempt has been made to bribe Prosecutor Garven of Hudson county, N. J., to drop the prosecution of the meat packers, according to a statement made today by an official of Mr. Garven's office in Jersey City. The allegation is that two men from Chicago had approached an acquaintance of Mr. Garven's and indirectly suggested that the prosecutor could retire a rich man if he would drop the prosecution of the packers. The official declined to give the name of Mr. Garven's friend who was approached. When the report of the alleged attempted bribery was brought to Mr. Garven's attention he made no statement regarding its truth or falsity, but remarked: 'No bribe will go, and I will push the beef trust to the limit.' "

Neil Burgess, famous as an actor, died in New York City, aged 60 years.

Great disorder occurred in the street car men's strike in Philadelphia. Clarence O. Pratt, national organizer for the street car workers, was arrested on the charge of inciting riot.

The new British parliament is reported in a shaky condition. Premier Asquith's resignation is freely predicted.

John D. Long, former secretary of the navy under McKinley, may be a candidate for the lower house of congress from Massachusetts.

Here is a New Haven, Conn., dispatch carried by the Associated Press: "Mr. Taft is the head man, but Mr. Roosevelt is coming back." This was the reply made in the United States circuit court here today by an applicant for naturalization, when among other questions he was asked, "who is the head man of the country?"

A Boise, Idaho, dispatch carried by the Associated Press says: "Consternation was thrown into the Idaho colony of divorce-seekers today by the decision of Judge Fremont Wood in the case of Valentine Winters, a sought a divorce from Helen Clegg Winters. Judge Wood denied the decree on the grounds that the plaintiff did not legally establish a residence in Idaho but came for the purpose of invoking the aid of the courts in securing a divorce. Judge Wood not only denies the decree because

evidence is in favor of the defendant, who, the court says, 'seeks only to protect her good name and that of her children.' The decision says that the evident purpose of the plaintiff in attempting to procure a divorce was to marry another woman."

The Mississippi senatorial deadlock was broken by the nomination in the democratic caucus of Leroy Percy of Greenville. He was nominated on the fifteenth ballot, the vote standing 87 for Percy and 82 for Vardaman. An Associated Press dispatch says: "Percy promised a faithful service, while Mr. Vardaman formally served notice that he would be a candidate for the office at the election two years hence. Leroy. Percy was born in Washington county, Mississippi, November 9, 1861, and is the son of the late Colonel William Percy, formerly of Alabama. He graduated from the University of the South, at Sewanne, Tenn., and is also a graduate of law of the University of Virginia. His postgraduate course was at Princeton University. After his collegiate course Mr. Percy returned to Greenlaw, in connection with the management of extensive land interests, and since early manhood has taken an active part in the political and other affairs of the state, although he has never heretofore held public office. He married, in 1883, Miss Camille F. Bourger of Louisiana."

Boutros Pacha Ghali, the Egyptian premier, was shot and killed by a student at Cairo.

A cablegram, under date of Santlago, Chile, February 22, says: "William Jennings Bryan, who will Ardmore, Okla. leave for Conception tomorrow, dined today with President Mont at a reat the American legation."

Newark, N. J., board of trade, paying an enthusiastic tribute to the new tariff law.

Phil Allen, former president of the First National bank at Mineral Point, Wis., has been taken to the federal prison at Ft. Leavenworth.

Clay Clement, the actor, died suddenly at Kansas City, Mo.

New York politicians say that Roosevelt's candidate for governor of New York will be William Loeb, Jr., former President Roosevelt's private secretary.

Byron L. Church, former president of the Holy Rood, Kan., state bank, his son, M. E. Church and F. W. Thomas, former officers of the bank, have been arrested on the charge of shortages and irregularities. It is claimed that the losses were due to a former cashier who speculated on the board of trade.

In the supreme court of Hudson county, New Jersey, at Jersey City Dayton, O., traction magnate, who indictments were presented charging conspiracy to raise prices on foodstuffs contrary to the public good, against all officials and directors of the National Packing company-the so-called beef trust. The blanket indictment does not include Kennah McLaren, the president director of

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