

Interesting Info #10 Revolution of 1905 & Azef

Excellent Timeline*

1893	Azef becomes informant in Germany for tsarist police
1902	Grigorii Gershuni forms the Combat Organization of the PSR Assassination of interior minister Dmitrii Sipiagin by SRs
1903	Arrest of Gershuni places Boris Savinkov at head of Combat Org Azef becomes main link between PSR Central Committee & Combat Org
1904	Assassination of interior minister Viacheslav von Plehve by SRs
1905	“Bloody Sunday” begins the Revolution of 1905 Assassination of Grand Duke Sergei by SRs Nicholas II grants civil rights & parliament in October Manifesto Publication of electoral law for new State Duma
1906	New edition of Fundamental Law on 23 April 1906 Convening of first State Duma (parliament) First Duma closed by the government because it proves too radical
1907	Second Duma (more radical than First) convenes Second Duma closed by gov’t; new electoral law in violation of Fundamental Law Third Duma convenes under new electoral law & lasts full five-year term (til 1912)
1908	Vladimir Burtsev begins campaign to expose Azef as a police spy
1909	Trial of former police chief Aleksei Lopukhin
1911	Special SR committee condemns excessive reliance on organized terror Formal disbanding of already-defunct Combat Organization
1912	Fourth Duma convenes
1915	Azef arrested & imprisoned in Berlin after outbreak of World War I
1918	Azef dies shortly after release from prison in Germany

Concepts, People & Stuff

Okhrana	Evno Azef	Grigorii Gershuni
Boris Savinkov	Vladimir Burtsev	Aleksei Lopukhin
State Duma	State Council	Kadets (KD’s)

Tempting & Titillating Triads™

Vladimir Burtsev SR Central Committee Evno Azef	Revolutionary terrorism Police spies / informers “provocation” / “provocateur”
SR Central Committee SR Combat Organization Exposure of Azef	PSR Terrorism Exposure of Azef

* There’s a bit of repetition from the last Excellent Timeline™.