



A London cablegram to the Chicago Record-Herald says: "John Morley's first official act as secretary for India has been to intervene in the dispute which led to the resignation of Lord Curzon, the former viceroy. His decision is strongly in favor of upholding the supremacy of the civil government in Indian military matters, which confirms the view taken by Lord Curzon as against General Lord Kitchener."

Robert A. Waddell, president of the Buckeye Powder company at Peoria, Ill., has written an open letter to President Roosevelt, in which he says that the government is at the mercy of the powder trust. He advocates the construction of government powder plants. He says that all of the powder mills bid the same price for supplying smokeless powder to the government, and that as a result the trusts make undue profit.

It is now said that there will be no strike of coal miners on April 1. It is said that this is due to the very formal notice served by the steel trust upon the mineowners that, owing to the large amount of work the steel trust had on hand it could not tolerate a coal strike.

Senator Tillman has formally reported the Hepburn bill to the senate. Culbertson of Texas offered a substitute for the whole measure. Senator Foraker delivered a speech against the bill, and Senator Dolliver spoke in its favor.

The Missouri supreme court has decided that Henry H. Rogers and other representatives of the Standard Oil company must answer the questions submitted to them by Attorney General Hadley.

Senate and house committees on conference have agreed to Mr. Tillman's resolution for an investigation by the interstate commerce commission of the relation between railroads and the coal and oil industries.

Senator LaFollette has introduced a bill to require an accounting of money expended in elections and prohibiting corporations from making contributions.

Consul General Rodgers at Shanghai has cabled the state department that the American mission stations at Nanchang have been destroyed. Two English and six French missionaries were killed.

Professor Samuel P. Langley, secretary of the Smithsonian institution and inventor of a flying machine, died at Aiken, South Dakota.

Senator LaFollette of Wisconsin made his maiden speech in the senate in introducing an amendment to the Indian bill, which seeks to prevent the railroads in the Indian territory from grabbing rich coal lands.

In an address issued to the navy, President Roosevelt quotes Admiral Togo's warning to the Japanese on the need for preparations for war.

The senate will take a vote on the statehood bill, March 9.

At a conference of railroad traffic managers at Topeka, Kansas, it was decided to defy the maximum freight rate law passed at the last session of the Kansas legislature. This will

increase the present schedule on crude and refined oil about 50 per cent, and the effect of the action is said to ruin the independents and deliver Kansas into the keeping of the Standard Oil trust.

Thomas D. Jordan, the long sought official of the Equitable Life Assurance society, has been located at Hot Springs, Ark.

President Roosevelt has issued a proclamation continuing the present low tariff rates on German products in return for like action of the German government, and averting the tariff war.

The senate committee has ordered a favorable report on the Santo Domingo treaty.

An Associated Press dispatch under date of Albany, New York, says: "Attorney General Mayer announced today that he had denied the application of William R. Hearst, demanding

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