

PAGER DAN PATCH SMASHES RECORDS TWICE IN AN HOUR.

Goes Half Mile at Memphis In :56 Flat and Then Covers Mile to Wagon In 1:57 1/4.

LITTLE TIRED BY EXERTIONS.

Running Pacemaker's Sulky Carries "Dust Strip"—Major Delmar Lowers His Trotting Mark to 1:59 3/4.

Memphis, Tenn., Oct. 27.—Dan Patch (1594), within forty-five minutes elapsed time this afternoon, smashed two world's records in a session on the track of the Memphis Trotting Association.

First he went against the world's half-mile pacing record of 2:25, held by Prince Paul, and, after a second and a half from the start, passing the distance in 56 flat.

Next he hung out a new world's record for a mile pacing to a wagon, making the mile in 1:57 1/4, two seconds better than the time of 1:59 1/4, which he made at the recent meeting of the Lexington, Ky., track.

The world's record until this afternoon, Major Delmar, R. E. Smathers's two-minute trotter, was also sent to lower his own record, and won. He cut a quarter of a second from the two-minute mark, making the mile in 1:59 3/4. The quarter was made in :58, the half in 1:59 and the three-quarters in 1:57 1/4.

In making the half-mile pace against time, Driver Myron McHenry started from the wire and breezed Dan Patch around to within a short distance of the half-mile pole, where two runners to sulky were picked up, the forward sulky carrying the customary canvas "dust strip" between the wheels.

The three horses swept by the pole and McHenry gave the signal that the trial was a go. The quarter was made in :58, and the pacer dashed under the wire with the hands of the timers' watches sharp on the mark of 56 seconds.

The demonstration from the grand stand was quite as enthusiastic as those which have been given Dan Patch when he set the pacing mile record of 1:57 1/4, and Lord Elton when she trotted a mile in 1:59 3/4, but it and the other noisy acclamations of the new champions were all eclipsed by the enthusiasm of the spectators when McHenry again came upon the track, this time to set a new wagon mark for the mile.

With a few preliminary breezings before the grand stand, the start was made with two runners as pacemakers. The quarter was made in :58 1/2, the half in 1:59 3/4, and the three-quarters in 1:57 1/4, showing little effect from having smashed two records in a single afternoon. The pacer was driven by Mr. McHenry in the wagon (1712).

SLATED TO SUCCEED HEATH AS SECRETARY.

Louis A. Coolidge of Massachusetts May Become Secretary of the Republican National Committee.

REPUBLICAN SPECIAL. Washington, Oct. 27.—Louis A. Coolidge, a Massachusetts newspaper man and protégé of Senator Lodge as well as a classmate of President Roosevelt at Harvard, is slated to become Secretary of the Republican National Committee when that body meets in Washington in December.

This information comes from a high source to-day and means the retirement of the Hon. H. C. Heath, formerly Assistant Postmaster General, who has been Secretary of the committee since 1898.

Heath's name has been connected with the scandals in the Post-Office Department and the Bristol report now in the hands of the President is said to deal unflinchingly with his administration.

PRESIDENT CELEBRATES FORTY-FIFTH BIRTHDAY.

Many Reminders Received From Friends in All Parts of the Country.

Washington, Oct. 27.—President Roosevelt today celebrated his forty-fifth birthday.

Many beautiful and touching reminders of the event came to him from every part of the country. Hundreds of telegrams and letters of congratulation were received at the White House during the day.

When the members of the Cabinet assembled for the usual semi-weekly meeting they joined in extending cordial congratulations to the President.

Among the floral offerings was a huge basket of chrysanthemums from the Government propagating gardens. It contained specimens as large as the crown of a derby hat and of splendid coloring.

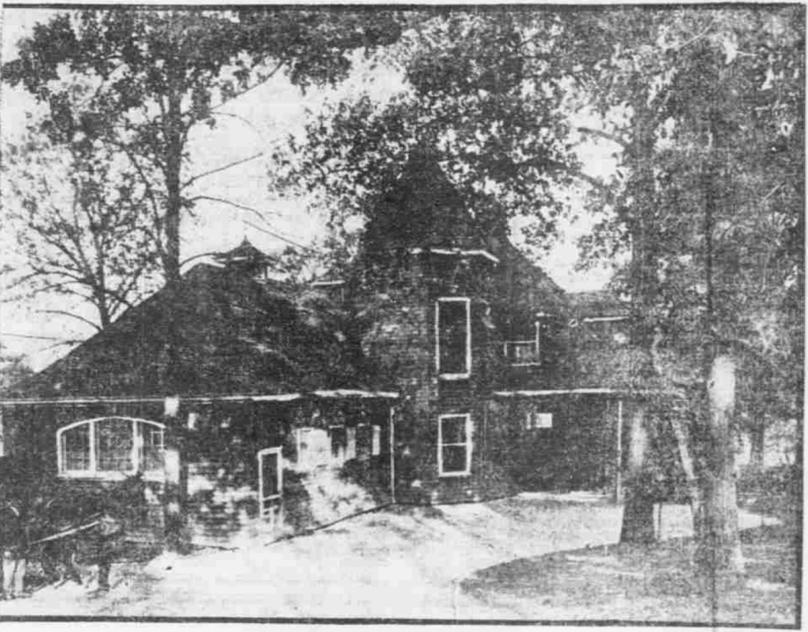
ARGUMENT STOPS THE CARS.

Motormen Blockade Lines by Disputing Right of Way.

A blockade, resulting in the tie-up of a large number of cars, ended with men and women hurrying to work, was caused yesterday morning at Eighteenth street and Washington avenue, by a quarrel between a motorman of the Park avenue line and one of the Eighteenth street line.

Both men argued for a long time as to which car should round the curve at the corner first. The cars were both stopped in the middle of the curve, and all lines were blocked. Both motormen claimed the right of way.

THE JAMES L. BLAIR STABLE AT "AIRDRIE" THE STOCK OF WHICH IS TO BE SOLD.



SOME OF THE HORSES IN THIS EXPENSIVE BUILDING HAVE ALREADY BEEN DISPOSED OF ALONG WITH TWO VEHICLES.

BLAIR NOW HAS AN EVEN CHANCE TO RECOVER HEALTH

Patient at "Airdrie" Improves During Day—Takes Nourishment—Mrs. Blair's Vehicles Sold and the Furniture Will Follow—Splendid Equipment of Country Residence Still Undisturbed.

ANDREW A. BLAIR OF PHILADELPHIA ARRIVES IN THE CITY.

Mrs. James L. Blair was yesterday afternoon re-elected president of the Morning Choral Club, which position she has held for the last twelve years.

LEADERS WELL-SUPPLIED WITH SUPPLIES OF WAR—UNITED STATES WILL DEMAND EXPLANATION OF WARSHIP'S ACTIONS.

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"ST. LOUIS TRUST COMPANIES IN EXCELLENT CONDITION AND EQUAL TO EVERY DEMAND."

REPUBLICAN SPECIAL. Jefferson City, Mo., Oct. 27.—Secretary of State Sam B. Cook was asked to-night regarding the condition of the St. Louis trust companies. He said: "This department recently made an examination of the trust companies in St. Louis. They are in excellent condition and abundantly able to meet every demand made upon them—in fact, all the banking interests of Missouri are enjoying unprecedented prosperity. These pretensions may cause temporary annoyance, but they cannot in the least affect the standing of those companies."

EXPLANATION DUE.

REPUBLICAN SPECIAL. Washington, Oct. 27.—Full explanation of the stopping of the American mail steamer Cherokee at Porto Plata by a Dominican warship will to-morrow be demanded of the Dominican Republic by the State Department. An American cruiser or gunboat will meantime be ordered to Porto Plata and prevent further arbitrary interference with commerce, either by so-called blockades or otherwise.

Up to the time a Republic dispatched the Cherokee had been turned back at Porto Plata was shown to a State Department official to-night the department had received no advice regarding this occurrence. The only advice received to-day came from Minister Powell at Santo Domingo City and stated that Porto Plata was in a state of revolution.

From this it is inferred the Dominican Government has instituted a blockade with the idea of cutting off the revolution's source of supplies. According to international law, however, a blockade to be recognized by other powers, must be preceded by formal notification long enough to exempt ships sailing before notice is given will be tolerated by the United States Government. If an American warship appears at Porto Plata, it is expected neutral commerce will not be further interfered with.

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Residence Leased by Senor Estrada. University Meets Normal To-Day. Bowling Results.

Editorial. Society News. Local Republicans Fear the Assailant Kills Armenian Leader.

Little Scout Wins Distance Handicap. The Republic Form Chart.

Republic "Want" Ads. Birth, Marriage and Death Records. New Corporations.

Rooms for Rent Ads. Chicago Grain Markets. Live-Stock Quotations. Wall Street Gossip.

Naturalization Cases Must Go to Trial. Sharp Contest Between Stillwell and Gates. "Cur" Rainey Surrenders. Civic Improvement League for St. Louis County.