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## Changing Policy

A new law governing all charitable solicitations in the State of Washington will come into effect on Jan. 1, 1974.

The new law requires that all persons involved in solicitations for charitable purposes have a license from the state.

Any persons enjoined or convicted under the false advertising statute or Consumer Protection Act will be unable to obtain a license for 10 years.

## Tough Storm

Three storm twisters touched down within a few miles of the Gregg Matthews Circus on June 26th. Since it was a "no show" day the tents were not up and there was no damage to the circus equipment.

The storm did deposit several inches of rain throughout the area, however. As a result the show's

## A Year of Evil Winds

A summer storm of raging winds and rains swept through Mt. Clemens, Mich. late last month causing a considerable amount of destruction to the area. One major disaster was the blowdown of the Miller Johnson Circus at that city. Damage to circus equipment was reported as being "extensive" and some 2 inches of rain were reported in a relatively brief period.

The blowdown occurred on the final day of the show's stand in Mt. Clemens, at the 4:30 p.m. show. The tent, rented from the M&M Circus, was badly torn and ripped. However, there were no injuries to people or animals on the lot.

The circus has been continuing on its scheduled route and is now using a tent rented from a Florida firm.

black top lot in Indianapolis, Ind. (June 27) was completely flooded. While the top held the water it did prevent problems that could have occurred on a dirt lot.

## A Show Visit

Members and friends of the CMB Valentine & May Ring attended the Ringling Blue Unit at Houston, Texas on July 7th. About 20 people were in the group.

Among those attending were: Harry Kingston, and his parents; Russell Youens and wife Mary; Joe Heizer, Jr; and Wm. J. Henderson. Several of the group also caught the Ringling Red Unit at Dallas, and visited with John Strong at his several Texas dates.

## The side show

Again this year the George Mathew Circus is carrying a side show, which is operated by Ed Russell. The show is presented under its own top and features a colorful bannerline and bally platform as part of the midway.

Featured in the side show are:

- Sparky - magic
- Roberto Sartoris - snakes
- Sparky - fire manipulation
- Ed Russell & Roberto - blade box
- R. Sartoris - electric wizard
- Sandy Oak & Co. (D. W. Washburn)  
- ventriloquist

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## CONGRATULATIONS

Wedding bells rang once again on the Ringling-Barnum show early this month (July 8th). The wedding was

held at the Houston, Texas Sheraton Hotel and was the sixth such event to take place on the "big show."



Michele Graves, showgirl, and Vladimir Vladimirov, acrobat and horseman from Bulgaria (both are 23) were married after the evening performance. They plan to honeymoon in Europe after the season is over.

Michele was born and raised at Glen Rock, N.J. Her grandparents and father both worked in the circus. Vladimir learned his circus acts at a circus school in Bulgaria.

## Freedom and Privilege

After a successful "get acquainted" period two Chicago elephants are being allowed complete freedom, within the zoo compound.

In 1971, "Ziggy" was released from his indoor cage after being confined there for 30 years. He was placed inside after he attacked and injured a keeper in April 1941.

He was reshackled last December when "Minnie" was placed in the same compound. Officials say both animals have been getting along well together and there is no longer any need for them to be chained.

# circus togni

It is doubtful that Circus Enis Togni will tour again, at least in England. The show directed by Mary Chipperfield, suffered from a lack of reputation and while it had an ample number of acts it was unable to fill the void left when the Billy Smart's Circus closed.

Although the show bore an Italian title there was actually very little of the organization that was from that country. The tent had been made by Enis Togni for the Moscow Circus tour of Italy. It was blood red in color, and was a round 200 ft. diameter top, capable of seating 5,000 people.

Six poles were used to hold the tent up and they were latticed so vision would not be interrupted. All acts entered via a revolving stage from which they walked down an illuminated stairway to the ring. The band was above the spectators entrance, directly across from the performer's entrance.

A folding net arena, once owned by Bertram Mills, was used for the wild animal acts. These numbers were presented by Mary Chipperfield and Willem Vos. The elephants and exotic animal act were presented by Carlos McManus.

Other acts with the show were:  
 Mary Chipperfield - liberty horses  
 Mme. Lorent - seals  
 Six Nicolodis - acrobats  
 The Gunmen - knockabout comedy

# YEARS AGO

When the Barnum & Bailey Circus played at Pittsfield, Mass. on May 25, 1918, they cancelled the parade because of a late arrival.

The side show had a two wagon front, with electric lights. Featured inside were: The Minstrels; Eddie Masher, human skeleton; A. F. Lillian, albino; Jack Wilson, fat boy; the Speck Bros., wrestling midgets; Ursa, the bear woman; Mrs. Grace Ingalls, levitation; Mme. Abomah, African giant; Eapt. George Auger, giant; Mlle. Malder, snakes; Princess Wee Wee, midget; Jim Traver, giant; Mlle. Clifford, sword swallower; Baron Pancie, midget; Wild Dancing Bushman and Mme. Suritha, tattooed lady.

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Katrina - low wire ballerina  
 Brian Andro - comedy wire  
 The Mazans - revolving perch  
 Miss Marietta - aerial web  
 The Flying Zengannos  
 The Sandors - musical clowns  
 Mexicana - dressage riding  
 The Chestons - whips and knives  
 Noe-Noe & Co. - clowns  
 Alan-Alan - escape artist

This year Mary Chipperfield has hired out her animal acts. The Lipitzen horses went back to Enis Togni in Italy; two Indian elephants are with Cottle & Austin's Circus in England; Willem Vos has the African elephants and a lion act in Spain, and the Chipperfield's Jungle Fantasy animals are in France with the Cirque Rency.

# NOTES

The California State Police Assoc. is sponsoring a rodeo at the Oakland (Calif.) Coliseum later this year.

Rudy Bros. Circus recently purchased a bus van for use as a wardrobe van.

The Wenatchee Youth Circus will be in Europe for three weeks, performing in Greece, Yugoslavia, Russia, Italy and Austria.

The Circus City Festival Shows at Peru, Ind., were scheduled for: July 13, 14, 18, 19, 20 and 21.

The July 1973 issue of Friends magazine, published by Chevrolet has a feature story about the circus.

The Budapest International, a ham radio newspaper recently carried a front page story about RBBB called "Tiniest Men, Biggest Show."

The Wallace & Rogers big top is being repaired by the Puget Sound Tent & Awning Co. of Seattle, Wash.

A special Free Circus was announced as an attraction at The Flea Market in Santa Clara, Calif. on July 7 and 8.

Allen's Petting Zoo has ordered a new top. It's to be zebra striped, with matching sidewalls.

Attendance at the Happytime Circus at Pleasanton, Calif. this past week was reported as being "exceptional."

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## Archie Brass by N. Wilbert

Archie Brass, a typical Wisconsin farmer, is just one of many team drivers who help to make the big Schlitz 4th of July parade at Milwaukee possible.

Perhaps Archie and his family (they all help in the parade) have not gained the national fame that Dick Sparrow has with his 40 horse hitch, but nevertheless they have gained recognition for a job well done.

Archie and his brother, Elroy, have been involved with the parade since 1962. All of the family participates in the event, working hard, but having fun at the same time. Another horseman, Lyle Collins, provides two horses for the team that Archie drives.

According to Archie, July 4th "is a happy day. It is my goal to bring happiness to my fellowmen." Continuing, he says, the use of some 700 horses in the parade proves there is still a love for animals in this country.

Archie is married to Dorothy Hamann, and they have two sons -- Bill and Tom. They all live, along with Dorothy's folks, on a 300 acre Maple Home Farm, about 3 miles north of Sheboygan. There they raise both cattle and horses, many of which are sold in overseas markets.

Each year Archie looks forward

## CLYDE BROS

According to all reports the Red Unit of Clyde Bros. Circus has done very good business and those who have seen the show say it is a good program.

The show's staff includes:

Howard Suesz - owner/producer  
 Lucky Larabee - announcer/equestrian  
 Harry Mills - supt. of concession  
 Virginia L. Fenton - organist  
 Ray Vaughn - drums  
 Gene Randow - producing clown

Featured in the show's program were the following acts:

Louis Regan - tigers  
 Geronimo - sponge dive  
 Rudy Dockey - comedy violin  
 The Van Noys - bicycles  
 Claude Kelly - role bola  
 The Austins - Plate spinning  
 Arwood's Pink Poedles  
 The Jericos - leaps  
 Dockey's Basketball dogs  
 John & Michael Winn - high wire  
 Kirby's chimps  
 Michael Brunn - juggling  
 Lottie Brunn - juggling  
 The Jordanas - aerial unicycle  
 The Grimaldis - musical comedy  
 Don Phillips & Co. - juggling  
 Fraunstein - balancing  
 Jeannie Regan - elephants  
 The Winns - serial motorcyle

to participating in the big parade. This year he drove the Herald wagon (No. 200), which served as an introduction for the Schlitz 40 horse team.

# ROUTES

Allen's Petting Zoo  
 July 19-22 Placerville, Cal  
 Beatty-Cole Circus  
 Jul 16 Syracuse, NY  
 17-18 Buffalo  
 19 Niagara Falls  
 20 Falconer  
 21 Erie, Pa.  
 22 Meadville  
 Buffalo Bill's Wild West  
 Jul 21-Aug 26 North  
 Platte, Nb  
 Carson & Barnes Circus  
 Jul 16 Clear Lake, Ia  
 17 Eagle Grove  
 18 Iowa Falls  
 19 Independence  
 20 Galena, Ill.  
 21 Belvidere  
 22 Elk Grove Vill.  
 Hubert Castle Circus  
 Jul 16-17 Missoula, Mont  
 19 Miles City  
 Circus City Festival  
 Jul 18-21 Peru, Ind.  
 Circus Kirk  
 Jul 16 Conneaut, Ohio  
 17 Jefferson  
 18 Tallmadge  
 19 Ashland  
 20 Delaware  
 21 Kenton  
 22 Off  
 Circus Knie (Switzerland)  
 Jul 16-17 Wohlen, Swtz  
 18-19 Reinack  
 20-22 Lusarne  
 Clyde Bros. Circus  
 July 16 Centerville, Ia  
 17 Keokuk  
 18 Burlington  
 19 Columbus Jnct  
 20 Christon  
 21-22 Davenport  
 Fisher Bros. Circus  
 Jul 16 Hoxie, Kans.  
 17 Atwood  
 Happytime Circus  
 Jul 16-28 Santa Rosa, Ca

Rudy Bros. Circus  
 Jul 17-22 Detroit, Mich.  
 Sarrasani Circus  
 to Jul 26 Amsterdam, Neth.  
 Tommy Scott-Tim McCoy Show  
 July 16 Fargo, N. D.  
 17 Alexnadia, Minn  
 18 St. Cloud  
 19 Minneapolis  
 20 Eau Claire  
 21 Winona  
 22 Stevens Point  
 Sells & Gray Circus  
 Jul 16 Mystic, Conn.  
 17 Newton  
 18 Canton  
 19 Glastonbury  
 20 Thomaston  
 21 Scotland  
 John Strong Circus  
 Jul 15-16 Indianapolis, Ind  
 17-20 Columbus, Ohio  
 21-22 Off  
 Wellenda Circus  
 Jul 18 Warren, Ohio  
 20-21 Wheeling, W. Va.  
 ..... FAIRS .....  
 Balloon & Bicycle Fair  
 Jul 20-21 San Jose, Calif  
 Firemen's Fair  
 Jul 16-21 Apollo, Penna  
 Frontier Days  
 Jul 21-29 Cheyenne, Wyo.  
 Gold Discovery Fair  
 Jul 19-22 Placerville, Cal  
 Golden Days Celebration  
 Jul 18-25 Fairbanks, Alask  
 King County Fair  
 Jul 18-22 Enumclaw, Wash.  
 Sandike Days  
 Jul 19-28 Edmonton, Canada  
 Lethbridge Exposition  
 Jul 16-21 Lethbridge, Cana.  
 Merced County Fair  
 Jul 17-22 Merced, Calif.  
 N. D. State Fair  
 Jul 16-22 Minot, N. D.  
 Pembina Fair  
 Jul 19-21 Hamilton, N. D.

Foley & Burk Shows  
 Jul 16-28 Santa Rosa, Cal  
 Great American Shows  
 Jul 16-21 Penn Yan, NY  
 Bob Hammond Shows  
 Jul 17-21 La Crosse, Wisc  
 King Reid Shows  
 Jul 16-21 Hughesville, Pa  
 Loudon Amusement Co.  
 Jul 16-21 Beallsville, Md  
 D. L. Manning Shows  
 Jul 16-21 Petrolia, Pa.  
 Megerle Shows  
 Jul 16-21 Saxonburg, Pa.  
 Mid-State Shows  
 Jul 16-22 Wyanet, Ill.  
 Mid-South Amusements  
 Jul 16-21 Columbia, Kty  
 Miller Spectacular Shows  
 Jul 17-21 Moberly, Mo.  
 Mississippi Valley Shows  
 Jul 16-21 Fairfield, Ill.  
 Moore's Greater Shows  
 Jul 16-18 Oxford, Nebr.  
 20-22 Culbertson  
 Murphy Bros. Exposition  
 Jul 16-22 Minot, N. D.  
 Pugh Shows  
 Jul 15-21 Frankfort, Ind.  
 Reitheffer Shows  
 Jul 16-21 Lowville, NY  
 Skerbeck Shows  
 Jul 16-21 Crosswell, Mich  
 Toby's Amusements  
 Jul 18-22 Elwood, Kans.  
 Ralph Wagner Shows  
 Jul 17-21 Reasel, Ia  
 ..... OTHER DATES .....  
 California Rodeo  
 Jul 19-22 Salinas, Cal  
 Circus Model Builders Meet  
 Jul 19-22 Allentown, Pa.  
 Peggy Fleming Ice Show  
 Jul 17-22 Westbury, L.I.  
 Ice Capades  
 Jul 22-Aug 13 Duluth, Minn  
 Topper, the Clown (Magic)  
 Jul 16-20 Ottawa, Canada

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 Jul 16 Moxie, Kans.  
 17 Atwood  
 Happytime Circus  
 Jul 16-28 Santa Rosa, Ca  
 Hoxie Bros. Circus  
 Jul 16 Lansdale, Pa.  
 17 Ephrata  
 18 Manheim  
 19 Lebanon  
 20 Lemoyne  
 21 York  
 22 Newport, Dela  
 King Bros. Circus  
 Jul 16 Reedsville, Wisc  
 17 Ripon  
 18 Moricon  
 19 Sun Prairie  
 20 Oconnowoc  
 21 Saukville  
 22 Sheboygan Falls  
 Miller Johnson Circus  
 Jul 16-19 Syracuse, NY  
 20-21 Suffern  
 22-24 Hartford, Conn.  
 Polack Bros. Circus  
 Jul 20-22 San Diego, Cal  
 Ringling-Barnum Blue Unit  
 Jul 17-18 Jackson, Miss  
 20-22 Alexandria, La  
 Ringling-Barnum Red Unit  
 Jul 17-22 Tucson, Ariz.  
 Royal Lipizzen Show  
 Jul 17-18 San Bernad'o, Ca

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 Jul 16-28 Santa Rosa, Cal.  
 Tehama County Fair  
 Jul 18-21 Red Bluff, Cal.  
 ..... CARNIVALS .....  
 American Eagle Shows  
 Jul 17-18 Orchard, Nebr.  
 20-22 Dwight  
 Amusements of America  
 Jul 16-21 Mammonton, N.J.  
 17-22 Hackettstown  
 19-29 Mt. Ponono, Pa.  
 Campbell Bros. Shows  
 Jul 18-29 Cheyenne, Wyo.  
 Central State Shows  
 Jul 16-18 Jewell, Kans.  
 19-21 Downs  
 22-24 Glasco  
 Don's Amusements  
 Jul 16-18 Pocahontas, Iowa  
 20-21 Ringstad  
 James H. Drew Shows  
 Jul 16-21 Arthur, Ill.

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LARRY S. HOGAN, as seen at New Orleans, La. in 1912 when he made openings on the King Edward's Wild Animal Show. (The show played for about three months at New Orleans).  
 He also served as a general agent on the Beckmann and Garety Shows.



this writer and family have just recently completed a 600 mile trip to visit the Ringling Red Unit at Dallas, Texas. We were guests of the show and had a thoroughly enjoyable visit.

The Dallas date (June 27-July 1) was at the Fair Grounds Coliseum, where business was good. They had competition in the form of a carnival-type midway which had been set up on the fair grounds.

The Coliseum has red clay dirt for a floor and this distracted from the acts and costumes because of the dust that was created. Many of the circus personnel were quite verbal about their dissatisfaction with the dirt floor. Still it enabled them to set up quickly, since they didn't have to place the large rubber mats that are so necessary on a concrete floor.

Clown Alley was set up in a cattle stall, which was roomy, but dusty. Frosty Little, producing clown, has a strong alley, with several new graduates from the Clown College. Some of the old-timers still on the show are: Lou Jacobs, Danny Chapman and Frankie Saluto.

Some of the show features are: Lou Jacobs and his motorized bathtub; Gebel Williams and his tigers;

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Wolfgang Holzmair and his lions; Pio Nock's wire act; Elvin Bale's heel catches and the spec "Once Upon A Circus." A really thrilling act is The Pilatus on the swaypole. One of the brothers almost fell in switching poles, but while his arm was injured he finished the act.

The Flying Medallions closed the show with some nice aerial numbers, including a triple. The Flying Waynes didn't work, but were in the finale. Another act not presented was the Roman riding number.

Tickets were priced at \$3.50; \$4.50 and \$5.50 and the program is selling for \$2.00.

. . . . by M. L. Dupont

## The Truce

Promoters of a circus scheduled to play at Renton, Wash. in Sept., last week agreed to demands by the Superior Court at Seattle. The promoters were charged with using practices that were misleading and failing to obtain a charitable/solicitation license.

The Jaycees were reportedly sponsoring the circus and tickets purchased could be distributed to deserving and less fortunate youngsters. It was also said that money from the sale of tickets would be used for various charitable educational and civic purposes by the Jaycees.

Under the court's ruling ticket salesmen will be unable to say the circus is sponsored by the Jaycees. They must also refrain from saying the money will be used for charity or make any misleading statements.

Judge Stanley Soderland said all persons who purchased tickets on the basis they were helping some charity cause are entitled to refunds. He put a freeze on the disbursement of funds and said the promoter must send letters to all ticket buys by July 12th, offering refunds within two weeks after that date.

The money is to be used only for refunds until July 30th. Any balance remaining on Aug. 1st will become the property of the company. If there is not enough in the funds to make all requested refunds, the



The above photograph was used by the Al G. Barnes Circus in the late 1930's as a publicity item. It reportedly is a movie starlet visiting the show lot in Los Angeles, Calif. The girl's name has been lost in the passing years.

### HISTORICAL FACT . . . .

The Aerial Zeneros traveled with the Johnny J. Jones show during the winter season of 1926-1927.

Judge ruled, the promoter is responsible to make all payments asked for.

If the promoter meets all of the terms set-down they will be able to continue their operation in the state.

# NAMES

CHARLES BOAS, of the Circus Kirk, was recently a guest on the TV show "To Tell The Truth."

JACK and SANDY FULBRIGHT, horse acts, have left the Miller-Johnson Circus for other work.

TOMMY BENTLEY has been spending a few weeks back on the Rudy Bros. Circus. Usually he works advance.

WALK KING reportedly has a new lion act ready for bookings. The six female lions are worked by an 18 yr. old boy.

BILLY and EDDIE, clowns, plan to go back on the road in 1974. They have been off the traveling circuit for a couple of years.

BARON VON UHL joined the George Matthews Circus early this month. His cat act is used as the show's opening feature.

NICK BANGOR, a supt. on the Miller-Johnson Circus has reportedly left that show.

REX WILLIAMS has two male elephants (Reed and Gardner). Recently he acquired a small African female. He also has a camel, llama and horse.

LARRY DAVIS' mother died at Sonoma, Calif. on Sunday, July 8th.

CLYDE BEEBOW left the Foley & Burk Carnival last week for another job.



BOBBY GIBBS has purchased five white German shepherds from BOB LEONARD of Manhattan, Kans. He will take delivery of the dogs in Sept.

LELAND WALTER, Ombudsman from Seattle, who helped to set-up that area's strict promotional controls, has been named City Manager of Martinez, Calif.

CHARLES MASON visited with Charlie ALLEN at Pleasanton, Calif. last week.

CLIFF DAY, who has been working in the office on Fisher Bros. Circus, is now working advance for the show.

TED BOWMAN, manager of Carson & Barnes, says his show was never in any trouble for lack of gasoline.

DANNY CHAPMAN, tramp clown on RBBB, is doing the same come-in as was worked by Otto Griebling.

TIM TEGGE writes that he clowned with King Bros. in the Chicago area. He also visited with Hoxie, Hanford and Apollo Int'l.

JOHN VERNON, Calif. CFA) was a parade marshal at the Schlitz July 4th parade in Milwaukee.

JOHN PEER, an RBBB clown, has left the show to enter the ministry.

PEGGY WILLIAMS is in her third year as a Ringling Clown, while Barbara Nader is nearing completion of her second year on the show.



## Memory Lane — Bad Trip

(The following item is reprinted from the "Eastern Argus" dated Oct. 30, 1836)

Intelligence was received in town last evening of the entire destruction by fire of the steamer "Royal Tar", on her passage from St. Johns. The particulars, as far as we have been able to ascertain them are as follows -- having been gathered from Joseph T. Sherwood, who was on board at the time of the accident and who barely escaped with his life

The Royal Tar, having on board about 90 persons, besides the crew, mostly emigrants and a caravan of wild animals, when near Fox Islands, at the mouth of the Penobscot River, was discovered to be on fire. The fire caught over the boiler and spread with great rapidity. As soon as the accident became known there was a great commotion on board, each one striving to get possession of the boats. The boats not being large enough to contain the whole, many jumped overboard, clinging to ropes, and whatever articles came in their way, until they were picked up or drowned.

The cutter on the Catherine station was happily near by, and immediately went to the relief of the sufferers. The caravan which was on board was entirely lost, excepting the elephant, who resisted all efforts to drive him overboard until the fire became very hot, when he went over, and when last seen was swimming for the shore.

Fears were entertained on the reception of the news that several local persons had been lost. Four of those drowned were male cabin passengers, one of them from Boston -- also four of the caravan keepers, and four of the crew -- the remainder of the unfortunate sufferers were emigrants.

Much property was lost, particularly in Monday. One gentleman, Capt. Edward Waite, had about \$5000 entrusted to him, which was lost. It is said that Capt. Waite secured himself and trunk on the steps of the boat, until the rope which they were attached to was burnt off -- when, still retaining possession of his treasure, he swam to another part of the vessel, where he sustained himself and property until a cabin passenger, a lady floated near him, when he let go his trunk and seized and sustained the woman until they were both saved. This is one of the many stories afloat -- we trust it is true -- it's too honorable to Capt. Waite to be suppressed -- it makes a hear of him.

The amount of specie aboard and notes lost is less than \$60,000. One of the caravan keepers tied \$500 in specie about his person, jumped overboard and was drowned. The scene on board beggars description, many persons were so much frightened that they jumped overboard, some of them mothers with their infants -- one person, an elderly woman, was burned -- the remainder of the 32 were drowned.

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MEMORY LANE. A BAD TRIP (Cont'd)

The sea was running high which rendered the efforts to save the sufferers more difficult. Had the accident occurred in the night, the loss of life must have been much greater - and the horrors of the scene painfully increased.

The boat at the time of the discovery of the fire was at anchor for the purpose of filling her boilers, about a mile and a half from land, the wind blowing off - the anchor was immediately cut away, a sail hoisted and every effort made to run her ashore; but as the steam had been blown off that end could not be accomplished. The fire was communicated to the boat from the boilers, which had been suffered to get red hot, and in which the water was very low at the time.

Some of the above facts may not be strictly correct in all their details - but, knowing the intense anxiety of the public to learn the particulars, we have given besides the facts furnished by Capt. S., which are doubtless correct, statements from other sources which appeared to us to be entitled to credit.