



5th Year

December 13, 1976

Number 50

THEFT REPORTED

The theft of some 120 circus tokens, a part of the Hertzberg Museum's circus collection, was reported by Fred Green in a special article appearing in the Nov./Dec. 1976 issue of "True West" magazine. The tokens were part of Harry Hertzberg's circus collection, which was left to the museum upon his death.

The theft occurred in August 1971, but was kept quiet in hopes the tokens would start turning up on their own. However, there has been no sign or word about them and so now it is hoped that the added publicity will provide some indication as to where they have gone.

The tokens consist of souvenir-type coins, some were used for admission to a show, and some had been counter-stamped on actual coins. For the most part they were minted in either brass or copper and were about the size of a quarter or half dollar.

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BILLY BARTON

GENE MENDEZ recently underwent surgery on his elbow and for bone chips pressing a nerve behind his ear. The high wire star, who fell in Texas, was replaced on the remaining dates by the **TRISKA TROUPE**.

ELI & ROSEALBA ALBARRACINE, back in Florida for two weeks after 2 years abroad, picked up their mobile and then scooted back to Europe - for another 2 years.....**CARLA WALLEDA**, taking Pappa Karl to the airport, felt a bump, ignored it and, upon arrival at the airport discovered the "bump" had been her rigging trailer uncoupling itself. CBers located the wayward trailer in a ditch..... You'll find **PATSY JORDAN** in her new swimming pool, day and night, good weather or bad!

DIME WILSON, Sr. lots his toy Manchester "Peanuts" that, with its partner "Popcorn", pulled a miniature circus wagon in spec.....**MR. RUDAS** is no longer connected with the Flamingo Hilton in Vegas.....The juggling **VILLAMS**, currently spotted in Polack, plan a trip to Paris to have new costumes made..... Rumors are that **PAUL KAYE's** circus date in Japan is "for sure"..... Girls on the Texas dates surprised wardrobe mistress **BETTY HUBER** with a birthday party and, for once, Betty was speechless....**BOBBY GIBBS** woke up one aym to discover a pony and 50 bales of hay missing - to date, both are still missing.....**JOANNE JENNIER** signed with Hoxie's Great American for '77.....**Royal Hanneford** resigned Baltimore..... Informed sources reveal that the Clyde Beatty Circus will go out in '77 and contracts are being issued to acts..... Word's out that **BILL STRONG** plans to sue **FUENTES** in Mexico... Strong and other acts were cancelled by Circo Union for alleged economic reasons.

DONNA WILSON's baby daughter was bitten in the face by a dog in the dressing room during the Wichita Shrine date. Four stitches were needed to close the wound and it's feared there may be a scar.....**KAY BALLINGER** has been practicing with the **FLYING VALENTINES** preparatory to joining the act on its **HAMID-MORTON** tour..... Evidently **JOANNE PINSON** is grooming a new dog act with her 7 Siberian husky pups..... The **COMMANCHEROS** are back at the Onstage this week-end..... **BILLY McCABE** is designing the **CIRCUS ODYSSEY** spec.

Has **ROGER ZOPPE** informed his chimp, **KENYA**, that it is indeed a chimp? Apparently not. In addition to emulating eve.ything Roger does in the act, Kenya helps out back stage - carrying props and giving hay to the horses!.....**PHIL SCHACHT** surprised Fran with a dinner-outing on their 10th wedding anniversary. The couple are at **PEGGY** and **Mac MacDONALD's** where Mac has polished new routines for **BABY DONDI** and where Phil is assisting Mac with his baby African elephant.....**TOM & POM POM DONOHO** are in Florida visiting Pom's folks.....**WES & FLORINE OLER** toured ed with **BILL GARDEN's** "Showtime Follies" for 5 weeks.....**BOB & JANE LANG**, with Carden-Johnson this year, return to that show next season. They are rehearsing their family for a comeback of the famed Lang Troupe Teeterboard act. Recently were with a **DICK JOHNSON** unit and will be with **JIMMIE COLE's** school show this winter.

ROMAN SCHMITT's performing rhino is being hailed with much enthusiasm. It jumps hurdles, waltzes on a pedestal (with Roman astride its back) and has a trotting front leg action that turns dressage horse trainers green with envy!.....**JIMMY DOUGLASS** bought out the surplus stores in Ft. Worth, was then faced with the problem of trucking it all back to Florida..... The **FRED CANESTRELLI's** are not going to Mexico City after all.....**IRV & FLO LANG** spent the summer with "Ice-Time '76" at Wildwood (NJ).....**TRUDY STRONG** used up her "visiting time" in Texas making all new wardrobe.

SANDY DOBRITCH had an important meeting with **CLIFF VARGAS** in Bakersfield (Calif.) says: "The show is like a fine cut diamond - even the atmosphere on the lot is gem-like".....**GAYLORD MAYNARD**, in Hollywood making a film, has a new manager. His name is **BEN MELZER**...Gaylord had a good tour with Lashinsky's Lipizzan Stallions.....**ANDY ANDERSON, GUNTHER & SHEILA WALLEDA** attended the funeral of popular **JOE UZDAVINIS**, of Old Forge (NY).....**PRINCE NAJVEZ** follows the **Circus Odyssey** tour by opening with **RUDY BROS. CIRCUS** for the season.

Unofficial listing of talent skedded for **CASTLE** in-

(Continued on Page 12)

PEOPLE

MARY WISE (clown) will tour with the Famous Hunt Circus this next year.

JOHN SCHOENER was the subject of a special report in the Chicago Tribune on Oct. 20th. He makes clown shoes.

JERRY BOOKER worked a Santa Claus arrival date at the Serramonte Shopping Center in Daly City (Calif.) late last month.

BURTON VAN DEUSEN and wife (theatrical agent in the Miami area) and PETRO MORALES (balancing star of the 50's) were recent visitors on the Beatty-Cole Circus.

MARCELLI & JANIS, low wire act, are touring with the "Showbiz on Parade" presentation working in New Jersey this month.

THE WAL-TIMS, risley, closed with the Page Cavanaugh Circus in Utah and jumped into Te-

xas to tour with a John Strong Christmas Show. EARL MICHAELS (Toe Toe, the Clown) worked all of the recent Texas Shrine dates.

KIT HASKETT, ringmaster at Circus World, has started rehearsals with the RBBB Red Unit at the show's quarters in Venice, Fla.

STAN KRAMIEN is building an all-new Magic show for the 1977 season. It will be one of the most spectacular magic shows ever presented, he reports.

ROY DAVENPORT is having a 32' Wells Cargo trailer customized for a combination crew quarters and concession unit. It will be fully self-contained and capable of handling any type of concession product or operation.

SYD MOORE and Family will spend the Holidays in Southern California, where they will be working with the Pluto/Dogcatcher Act in the annual Disneyland Christmas Parade.

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P.R. PLANS by B. Barton

On Feb. 17th, Circus Odyssey will have its gala opening night in San Juan, Puerto Rico. It is also the "world premiere" of a new show produced by a new and youthful showman, Ed Migley.

After closing in Mayaguez in late March, Migley brings his show back to the mainland and begins a tour in New England (Apr. 18-24).

The Puerto Rico run is sponsored by Malta-Corona (a cereal soft drink for kids), 7-UP and others. It is produced in association with Rafi Miranda Productions and has been packed for 5 years. "I started booking acts late," Ed told CR "consequently many of the acts I wanted had conflicting bookings. That won't happen again. I am already signing acts for the Puerto Rico date for 1978."

The new showman has plans to tour his Circus Odyssey for a full season in 1977. "I am building my show, and building my route and doing it one step at a time." Under construction are:

ring mats, a 40 ft. lighted ring curb, back curtains, entrance arch with chaser lights, band stand, four super-trooper spots and complete stage lighting.

Ed told CR: "I take great pride in this business and a greater pride in my presentations. I have designed production numbers with different themes that will be featured in future productions. I have also received countless proposals and inquiries regarding Circus Odyssey so there is no doubting the show's potential."

Asked if he might go under canvas eventually, he replied, "It's in my mind. If I do, I'll use a four pole square European top."

Among the acts set for the Puerto Rico tour are: Prince Najvez, aerial; the Steele-Gaona Flyers; Scalzo & Co., illusions; Louis Murillo, aerial motorcycle; the Young Duo, cradle; The Gutis; Jungle parody; Cimse's Russian Wolfhounds; Bobby Gibbs' elephants and the Antar Wazzan family, acro/tramp;oline. About six other acts are still to be signed.

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Brenda Surles was working nearby when she heard cries for help coming from the leopard cage. A black leopard had a man down, so she picked up a rifle and shot the animal, which ran away.

In the meantime, a second leopard was killed when it attacked a dog. The wounded black leopard was found hiding in some nearby bushes and it was killed.

The injured trainer suffered bites and claw cuts on his back and neck.



No Watchdog

Although Joy and Dick Rogers keep five lions at their Fort Lauderdale, Fla., home, there is no comparison between the lions and a watchdog. Seven times in the past four months their home has been robbed and the lions have just watched the proceedings quietly.

Caesar, a 275 lb. male lion, Napoleon and Kara Mia, both about 165 lbs. and twin cubs Duchess and Sheba, just don't let anything bother them.

When asked about the lions Mrs. Rogers said she and her husband are circus folks. Dick, she says, used to have a lion act with Ringling Bros. and their own Imperial Circus. That was before Dick was hospitalized for ill health.

Miscellaneous

The Fleckles Circus is scheduled to start its 1977 tour at Saginaw, Mich., on Jan. 3rd.

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Pot-Pourri

Janice and Dorian Blake (illusionists) started their winter tour on Dec. 8th.

Mike Naughton is shopping around for a Maytag washer and dryer to take along on his show dates with the Michelangelo Paint Co. in '77.

The Fabulous Fantanas (comedy piano) own six pianos all-together!

The Barrymore Family (camel parody) recently purchased a custom-designed "Cleopatra Camel" suit for \$1,700. "Thank God it doesn't eat!" proclaims Bobby Barrymore.

Pat Bissonette is dusting off his Santa suit for the holiday season.mike naughton

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Miscellaneous

The Mueller Co. held their annual Christmas Party Circus at Decatur, Ill., on Dec. 11th, while the Caterpillar Tractor Co. held its annual Christmas Circus at Decatur on Dec. 12th.

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A REVIEW

CLOWNS by John H. Towsen — 400 pp.
Published by Hawthorne 1976

"Clowns," by John H. Towsen, is an informative and entertaining survey of clowning through history. Its scope includes not only circus clowning and clowning in America, but also deals with the development of clowning through the ages and gives insight to the clowning found in cultures different from our own largely European heritage, such as the American Indian and Oriental clowning. Although the book is scholarly, it is written in an easy style with much wit, making the reading of it enjoyable as well as educative.

Towsen, himself a professional clown and juggler, obviously cares deeply about his subject — but doesn't let his love of clowns and their art cloud his vision. He points out the rather sorry state to which clowning in the American circus has fallen, but notes that the situation seems to be changing.

The first half of Towsen's book is devoted mainly to tracing the evolution of clowning, with the second half spotlighting modern clowns. He uses amusing anecdotes and descriptions of routines to draw personal portraits of such great clowns as Dan Rice, Otto Griebling and Poodles Hanford. Names familiar to all show people keep popping up, making the book especially nice for those in this business. Towsen does not ignore the great European and Soviet clowns, such as Grock, Dimitri, Popov and Yengibarov,

detailing their many contributions to this joyful art.

"Clowns" is lavishly illustrated with many rare and beautiful photographs, including an 18 page section of full-color plates. The photos move with the text, so that one may see as well as read how it was done from the beginning to the present.

This is not just another "coffee table" type picture book, although glancing through it has ample rewards. It is a book meant to be read and enjoyed for the insight it can give into the gentle art of making people laugh and those who practice it — from American Indian "Delight Makers" to Ringling-Barnum artist Lou Jacobs.

"Clowns" should be required reading for everyone in the circus business, so that we won't forget the integral role that clowns play both in the ring and in our lives. The clown was alive and well before the circus was born, and it is likely that the clown will remain in existence if the circus ever dies, for people will always need to laugh, at themselves and at each other. This is the true function of the clown, to take on his shoulders the burden of life, and to show us just how funny we are. John H. Towsen, in his lovely book, has successfully shown how important the clown is in our lives. It is definitely a superior book.

.....MARY WISE

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JAMES L. (Big Ed) CHAPMAN died at Yakima, Wash., on Nov. 19th. He spent many years on various circuses working with elephants and in the prop departments. He was a veteran concessionaire, operating stands on the Ralph Meeker Shows for the last 15 years. Burial was at West Hills Cemetery, in Yakima.

Tour OK

"All of our Alaskan dates were up this year," says Doug Morris, of the DeWayne Bros. Circus. "Our biggest dates, of course, were Fairbanks and Anchorage, where we played to full houses for every show."

Towns such as Valdez, Homer, Delta Junction, Eagle River, etc., were also reported as being good spots. This year the circus made a 16 hour ferry trip to Kodiak, which Morris says, "was well worth the effort."

The show is currently at its winter home in Southern California, where everyone is taking advantage of the good weather to paint and repair all rolling equipment.

BILLY BARTON (Continued)

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Show Acts

Acts appearing with the Calvacade of Stars Show, produced by Bob Snowden, and playing dates in New York State Nov. 22 to Nov. 28th, included:

Bill Brickle, Poodle Review; Les Thinis (Hansen) trampoline; Barry Miller Troupe; Stu Miller, magic; Miss Tina, single trapeze; Cimses dogs; Whitfield's chimps and White Cloud, knife throwing.

Miscellaneous

The International All Star Circus will be presenting a performance at the Wezel Performing Arts Hall in Sarasota (Fla.) tonight (Dec. 13) at 8:30 p.m.

Moscow Circus trainer Vitali Tikhonov has two trained yaks, which bang their heads together during their performance. The animals each weigh 1,650 lbs.

Holiday shows on the east and west coast were scheduled this month by Rudy Jacobi, thus keeping several acts busy for the season.

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The French "Gala! Gala!" is held annually in Paris and is the only production in the world that thrusts film and TV stars into the world of the circus and demands near-professional performances. The idea of bringing the show to the U. S. , originated in France, and was conceived as a gift to the American people for its Bi-centennial celebration.

Featured in the show are: Raquel Welch, Ryan and Tatum O'Neal, Joanne Woodward, Charlton Heston, John Travolta, Charles Bronson, Anouk Aimes, Claudia, Catherine Deneuve, Alain Delon, Jean Louis Trintignant, Valerie Perrine, and Gary Collins. Also appearing in the show are: Peter Fonda, Karen Black, Joey Heatherton, David Janssen, Hal Linden and Sonny Bono.

The job of coordinating personnel and entertainment was handled by Hollywood director Bob Stivens. These people, he said, were determined to be as good as any circus performer and to achieve this they rehearsed for several weeks. However, he added, not everyone's ambitions were fulfilled.

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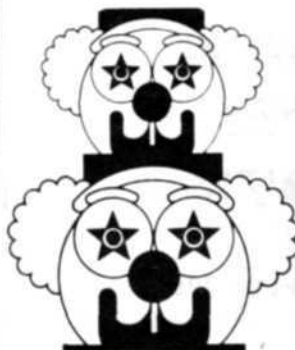
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PEOPLE

LES THINIS and MISS TINA are working Christmas dates in the New England area.

JOE ANDERSON, assistant to PAUL PUGH, of the Wenatchee Youth Circus, has resigned that post to work for Marriotts Great American theme parks. He will be in charge of both circus shows at Santa Clara (Calif.) and Gurnee (Ill.)

JOANNE and DENNIE PINSON will tour with the Hubert Castle Circus for the 1977 season.

SCOTT CUSHING (high wire, tightwire and juggler) formerly with the Wenatchee Youth Circus is currently touring with the Ashton Circus in Australia.

CHECKERS and PATCHES (clowns) were featured during "Book Week" at the Brown County Library in Green Bay, Wisc., last month.

JIM PARKER retires from the Navy this month after a 20 year tour of duty.

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The Gordon Walsh produced Christmas Show opened its two week mid-west run at Decatur, Ill., on Nov. 26th and closed at Oklahoma City Okla., on Dec. 11th.

For its opening stand the show drew well and offered an entertaining program featuring: Ron and Paulette, juggling; Plunkett Family, trampoline; Alberto Zoppe, dogs and horse; The Rianos Duo, slack wire; James and Jeffrey Plunkett, comedy boxing; Zoppe's horse and lion.

After intermission came: Miss Estelle, balancing; Jef Plunkett, clown and feather; Christopher James, tightwire; Clowns and a firecracker; Alberto's Riding School; and there was also a riding act with Carla Zoppe.

..... Allen Babcock

MAGICIANS

Am preparing a book on magicians with one chapter devoted to those playing on circuses. A small photo of yourself (no 8x10's) and which circus, etc., would be appreciated.

Proper credit will be given you and free copy of the finished book.

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