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PARADE DATE

A special six to eight horse unit from the Royal Lipizzan Stallion Show will be featured in the Macy's Parade on Thanksgiving Day -- Nov. 22nd. The horses and riders will be presenting a five minute quadrille in front of Macy's for the TV cameras.

This is the first time the Lipizzans have been seen in the parade, and concludes two years of negotiations between Macys and the Wonderful World of Horses producers, Gary and Philip Lashinsky.

CHARGE MADE

Dr. Ivan Likar, of the Animal Research Center, at New Braintree, Mass., has been charged with violating the Animal Welfare Act. The charges were made by the USDA, who said their inspectors made three visits to the center and found several violations.

An automatic 21 day suspension of Dr. Likar's license was invoked. Maximum penalties under

SHOW TOUR PLANS

A five week tour of mid-western states was announced last week by Tripoli Productions, who will be presenting an indoor variety circus for the holiday season. Talent for the show is being booked by John "Smiley" Dailey.

The tour gets underway at Waterloo, Iowa on Nov. 23rd and winds up at Oklahoma City on Dec. 20th. All dates have been booked and promoted by Bob Tripp, who anticipates a good tour.

Next year, Bob Tripp told The Circus Report, we have booked the Big John Strong Circus for a period of 16 weeks, with an option of an additional four weeks. So we ought to keep that show busy for all 20 weeks.

the order are revocation of a dealer's license and a binding cease-and-desist order. This latter is a permanent type of injunction and failure to abide by it could result in penalties of \$500 per day for each violation.

SHOW FOLKS

Among the many show personalities attending the Oct. 29th Paul Eagles Circus Luncheon Club were:

J. C. Damon (Bingo, the clown) looking like a million, just recovering from an illness.

Olee and Jeanette Carlstrom, Blossom Dennett, Mr. & Mrs. Abe Goldstein, Gainelle and George Perkins, former club secretary Lee Flott, Maurie Castleman, looking as chipper as ever, and perennial Bob Matthews, just out of the hospital, ditto for club secretary Perry Luth who was kept busy passing out '74 membership cards. Lithe, lovely and charming Paula Dell, Uncle Bill Dedrick, Bill Arthur, Frank Chicarello, Pat and Vivian Graham, just in front Colorado; Curley Marbe and wife; the Smokey Jones and daughter Kari, with baby elephant "Tika."

Also attending were: Charley Franks, Cliff Henry, "Rabbit" Bates, Joe "Oddie Doddie" Colby, Herbie and Chatta Webar, Frank and Bernice Dean plus Bill Burger and Percy Turner, of San Diego, along with Ralph Rodgers and Duncan Smith.

Bill Binder of the Phillippi Restaurant furnished the birthday cake
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Show DATES

Want to see the Beatty-Cole Circus on Nov. 4th, writes Paul E. Fitzpatrick, and enjoyed visiting with Roger Boyd, Arnold Maley and Edne Antes. Also had a nice chat with David Rawls, concession mgr, who has gone to the John Strong Circus.

The show is a good one and is well presented. At this spot Jack Joyce got in late and so only his leaping greyhounds were presented in the program.

Charlie Schlarbaum left the show to fly to Miami, where his wife is in the hospital, following a car/bus accident. Charles Battenti, cornetist, of Syracuse, N.Y., has taken over the band, and is quite good. Charlie Stevenson, of King Bros. was due on the show and will stay on for the rest of the tour.

FOR SALE

The 1973 Merle Evans Concert recording would make a great holiday gift, and it is still available. The full stereo disc is just \$5.00 and can be ordered from: The Duggan Bros. CFA Tent, Box 63, Morrow Georgia - 30236.

Numbers on the album include:

Al G. Barnes Grand Entry; Red Wagons; Minstrel Days; Knights of the Road; Boliver; Trouping Days (Merle plays in this number); Eclipse Galop; Evening Shadows; Princess of India and Southern Rose.

TALENT CAPSULE

During the first week of November some west coast acts were working promotional dates at Las Cruces, N.M. and El Paso, Texas.

Acts appearing on the two big programs included:

The Willetts - juggling
 The Ashton Family
 Jess Monefeldt - unicycle
 Ken Willer - balancing
 Illusionsaires - magic/illusions

PREPS FOR TOUR

Sometime about July 1974, Baron Von Uhl hopes to get his Great Continental Circus back on the road. The show is to be sidewalled except for special occasions when a tent will be rented.

The Baron plans to set up his quarters at Akron, Ohio, in preparation for mid-western dates. He reportedly will be working with George Hubler, who is going to be booking the show into some four states, with phone promotion programs.

Early this year Von Uhl purchased a high school horse and some seating from Jake Mills. He has also acquired four seat wagons and a liberty horse act from the Carson & Barnes Circus.

NOTICE

Posters, couriers, photos, programs, etc., for sale by Circus Memories Museum, Fryeburg, Maine.

Who's Who

OSCAR JACOBSON recently returned from a trip to Europe. He reports the Circus Hollanda was playing a small Spanish town, while the Moscow Circus was in Madrid.

MERLE EVANS conducted a band concert at Kenosha, Wisc. on Nov. 16

COUNT SANGER, of Australia, is playing shopping centers with his dogs, ponies and western acts.

A. W. KENNARD has re-entered a hospital at Thousand Oaks, Calif.

CHARLES GERMAINE, former owner of Miller-Johnson Circus, is going to book a Bugs Bunny show next year

ALLEN J. BLOOM, senior vice president of RBBB, (marketing and sales) was a major speaker at the Broadcast Promoters Assoc. convention in Cleveland, Ohio on Nov. 13-16.

PETE and ISABEL DUVAS joined Polack Bros. Circus for the last few dates of this season, then head out for Christmas dates.

CLARK McDERMOTT has been visiting GUS AUGSPURGS, who has a monkey act at the Tropicana Hotel in Las Vegas, Nev. He has some holiday dates in Southern California.

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routes

- Allen's Patting Zoo
Nov. 23-24 Castro Valley, Ca
- Beatty-Cole Circus
Nov. 19 Boynton Bch, Fla
20 Hallendale
21-25 Miami
- Hedi Shrine Circus
Nov. 22-25 Evansville, Ind.
- Happytime Circus
Nov. 22-25 Woodland, Calif
- Hubler's Int'l Circus
Nov. 24-25 Dayton, Ohio
- Int'l Boys Circus
to Nov. 22 Mexico City, Mex.
- Kaye Continental Circus
Nov. 22-25 Evansville, Ind.
- Miller-Johnson Circus
Nov. 20-24 Sacramento, Cal.
- Ringling's Red Unit
Nov. 21-25 New Haven, Conn
- Royal Lipizzen Show
Nov. 20-21 Ft. Wayne, Ind.
23-25 Detroit, Mich.
- San Francisco Police Circus
Nov. 24-25 San Fran, Cal.
- John Strong Circus
Nov. 18-20 San Diego, Cal.
21 Yuma, Ariz.
22 OFF
23-25 Phoenix, Ariz.
- Tripoli Productions
Nov. 23 Waterloo, Iowa
24 Rock Island, Ill.
25 Cedar Rpd, Iowa

.... OTHER ROUTES

- Fiesta Folklorico
Nov. 19 Oneonta, N.Y.
20 Binghampton
21 Springfield, Mass
23 White Plains, NY
25 Chicago, Ill.
- Holiday on Ice (Int'l)
Nov. 21-25 Grand Rapids, Mh
- Holiday on Ice (Nat'l)
Nov. 21-25 Des Moines, Iowa
- Ice Capades
Nov. 20-25 Oakland, Calif.
- Ice Follies
Nov. 20-25 Syracuse, NY
- Kovaz Auto Daredevils
Nov. 21-22 Nuevo Laredo, Mex
23 Salinas Hidalgo
24-25 Saltillo
- Macy's Thanksgiving Parade
Nov. 22 New York, N.Y.
- Small World (Disney)
to Nov. 25 Philadelphia, Pa
- PBA Rodeo
Nov. 24-25 Davie, Fla.
- Wonderful World of Magic
Nov. 19 Manahawkin, N.J
23 So. Toms River



YEARS AGO

The "Oldtime Store Show" was in Hartford, Conn. on Oct. 6-13, 1818, and played at E. Porter's Tavern.

The show featured a lion, 2 camels, 2 llamas, an ape, several snakes, a long tail Marmozot and some alligators

It was the first time many of these animals had been exhibited in that city and as a result business was quite good. Show hours were from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., with music provided by King David Cymbells.

Admission prices to see all of the animals was 25¢ for adults and 12½¢ for childr'n

Probably the only performing animal in the group was the ape which danced and shook hands.

SHOW FOLKS (Continued)

which was decorated in circus motiff. The cake was cut by Mrs. Harlon DeWitt, while Don Heaston served as the master of ceremonies.

Absent for the occasion was Mr. & Mrs. Frankie Esposito (Mr. Mustache) who were in Biloxi, Miss.

A VISIT TO TWO SHOWS

Dashed off to see the Beatty-Cole Circus at New Orleans, writes David Reid. They drew good houses (Oct. 27-28) and while there was able to visit with Jack and Ethel Joyce and Edna Antes.

The lot was sure a rough one. Hoxie had been there about two weeks earlier when the lot was wet, so it was deeply rutted. But it was nice weather when we were on the lot.

Arrived home in time to see Miller-Johnson at Salem, Ore. (Nov. 6) where they had to cut the spec and Pat Anthony's cat act because of the big overflow crowd. It was a cold and wet lot -- this wasn't a straw house, it was a "mud house."

The tent is in good shape and things were dry considering the condition of the lot before they started setting up. They have a fine show and that two piece band -- organ and drums -- plays some good music.

HORSE STOLEN

A well-trained horse called "Fresno Barred" was reported stolen from the Grand Nationals at the Cow Palace in San Francisco on Nov. 4th. The 10 year old horse has won many trophies -- barrel racing, cutting, roping, and even bull-dogging.

The animal is owned by Linda Amaral, of Pleasanton, Cal., whose



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daughter Cindy Rosser, has been riding her in shows throughout the west. The horse was scheduled to participate in the show finals on Nov. 4th, and was reported missing just before show time. A reward of \$1,000 has been offered for information about the horse.

Miss Rosser is the daughter of Cotton Rosser, who owns the Golden State Rodeo Co., of Marysville, Calif. He produces many rodeos each year.

IT'S ON THE ROAD

A holiday season tour covering five states gets underway today (Nov. 19) for Stuart Miller's "Wonderful World of Magic" show, which opens at Manahawkin, N.J. The combined magic and illusion show will also include several variety acts (see The Circus Report of Oct. 29th).



The tour will include dates in New Jersey, Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio and Pennsylvania, most of the dates have been booked by Mearl Johnson. Circus Fans and magicians are invited to visit the show as it plays in or near your area. The show's route will be listed regularly in The Circus Report.

HISTORICAL FACT

E. H. Jones last operated a show in 1930, when he had the Cole and Rogers Circus, a three car organization on the road. Most of the season was spent in Canada and a parade was offered daily.

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a complete sellout

The Royal Lipizzan Stallion Show's Nov. 4th engagement at So. Yarmouth, Mass. was a complete sellout, officials report. Two performances were presented, which resulted in a gross ticket sale of some \$35,000 for the day.



The show was the first event of its kind to play the new Cape Cod Coliseum, and they've been booked for a weekend date at the building in 1974.

When the show played Binghamton, N.Y. (Oct. 5-7) they registered three out of four capacity houses. A total of 15,000 people attended the four shows, making the gross sale \$65,000 for the date.

Thus far, the 1973 tour is well above that of 1972, in both gross and net sales. This year's tour started on Jan. 5th at Shreveport, La. and will conclude on Dec. 9th at Charleston, W. Va. The 1974 tour will start with a two week engagement in New York City on Jan. 3rd.



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The band on the Billy Bennett Show is shown here in about 1908. Bennett is the father of Belle Bennett, a former film actress.

In the back row are: Harry Anhauser, Clyde Gordon, Frank Boyer and Robert Zerke.

In the middle row are: Harry Beecher Gilbert, Dan Rice, Tom Lewis, Frank Davidson and Howard Macey.

In the front row are: Norman Hanley, Otto Johnson, Elmer Nardseth, and Joe Parr.

YEARS AGO

Pittsfield, Mass. - June 24, 1917
Ringling Bros. Circus went thru here early today, going from their date in Springfield, Mass. to Albany, N.Y.

The first section went thru about 4 a.m. and the last three sections went through between 7 and 8 a.m. The last section had 22 cars, 11 stock cars and 11 sleepers.



Pot-Pourri

The advance sale promotion is underway for Hubler's Int'l Circus date at Canton, Ohio. The show will be playing there in Dec.

A children's presentation called "The Proposition Circus" was recently presented at Queensborough Community College in New York City. (Nov. 18)

RBBB's prices for their Chicago engagement were: \$3.50; \$4.50 \$5.50 and \$6.50

New Orleans new "super Dome" (a \$129.5 million stadium) will be opened in mid-1974.

Voters in San Jose, Calif. turned down a bond issue for construction of a big entertainment complex in that city.

Polack Bros. Circus will play at Louisville, Kty. next February for the Kosair Shrine Temple.

head new association

Officers elected to head the National Carousel Roundtable, at its Cape Cod, Mass. meeting (Oct. 20-22) are:

William H. Dentzel - president
Jo Summit - vice president
Marianne Stevens - secretary
Walter Johnson - treasurer

XMAS CIRCUS

The annual Christmas Circus party, sponsored by the Paul Eagles Luncheon Club, is scheduled for Tuesday, Dec. 11th in Long Beach, Calif. The show is an annual event for underprivileged and or handicapped children of the area.



About 600 to 800 children are expected to attend the show, and afterwards will be presented with balloons and gifts. Last year approximately 50 wheel chair elderly citizens also attended the show and a similiar group is expected to be on hand this year.

The professional members of the club present the performance, while other members act as hosts and fill in wherever there is a need. Everyone donates their time for this program.

"In all my life," says Perry Luth, "I've never seen a more dedicated bunch of men and women."

CAMEL vs. WHEEL

The camel brought about the demise of all wheeled transport in the Middle East in ancient time

The camel could not effectively be hitched to a cart, but it could carry up to 500 pounds on its back for 20 miles a day, weeks on end.

Oxen, pulling carts, could travel no faster, needed more rest and could not exist on the desert plants that camels could live on.