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December 20, 1976



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PEOPLE

WALT STIMAX and MILDRED HALL made a quick trip into Los Angeles early this month. They will carry some trained animals with them for the upcoming season.

BILLY POWELL, son of GEE GEE ENGESESSER is one of RBBB's Regional Marketing Directors.

TOM UPTON showed his circus films for per-

sonnel of Circus Vargas at Hayward, Calif., earlier in the month.

EDGAR BERGEN will be presented with the "Golden Award" of the AGVA during its annual Entertainer of the Year Awards program

BRUCE ROYAL and his circus models were featured in a full page story of the Temple Daily Telegram (Temple, Tex.) on Nov. 21st.

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and I hope Tomorrow - For the Most Joyous Holiday
Season Ever

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Miscellaneous

Mass production of music boxes started a craze in the United States about 1892. In 20 years one one firm sold 100,000 boxes and at times grossed \$2 million a year.

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Season's Greetings

from

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and

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Merry Christmas



TO ALL MY FRIENDS

HAROLD HALL



809 North Huntley Drive

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Merry Christmas

5 SUCCESSFUL '77

THANKS TO

Gene and Sandy Holloway
for the many favors this past year

Also to all my employees for hanging
in when the going was rough.

Also to All Circus Fans in the U.S.

BIG JOHN STRONG



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more to upgrade our business—the same applies to my friend
HOXIE TUCKER—Can't forget STAN & KATHY KRAMIEN—"Mr. Show Business."

A BIG JOHN STRONG & SON
PRODUCTION



*Greetings at Christmas and all
good wishes for a Happy New Year*

THE SLUSSERS

Chester

Mary

Ken

Chris

David

Clyde

Aussie Show

The program announced for Australia's "The Greatest Circus on Earth" featuring the world's greatest stars, includes:

Bronley's Wonder Rocket; Mechkarovi Trio, vaulting act; Michal Chen, balancing; Stafford Bullen, liberty horses; The Great Arturo, trapeze star; Rudi Schweitzer, juggler; Rogana, sword balance; Miss Sonja's Dalmation Circus; William Rueda. rola bola; The Flying Terrels, trapeze.

Captain Jules, african lions; Jule & Bubi, the clowns; Daisy Bentos, hair hang; Duo Kristoff, perch pole; Circus elephants; The Great Doval, high wire; Les Castors, foot jugglers; Lilly Yokoi, bicycle; The Boichanovi Troupe, acrobats.

The circus stars come from such shows as: Circus East Berlin; Ringling-Barnum; Circus Knie; Bulgarian State Circus; Circus Bennewels; Circus Jean Richard; Chipperfield's Circus, Circus Krone; Hungarian State Circus; and several others.

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We wish to take this opportunity to thank all the folks we've had the privilege of working with this past season and who helped to make this our most successful year. To all of you a Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year from the Royal American Circus.

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Tom Sink (Pop Corn the Clown)
Don Woods (Lipizzan Stallions)
Harry & John Dubski & Family
Don Phillips & Co. (unicycle/juggling)
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Surround you at Christmas
and in the coming year.

TINY and HAZEL PHILLIPS

Holiday Greetings

TO OUR FRIENDS EVERYWHERE



JOHN and HERTA CUNEO

and all the

HAWTHORN ANIMALS

MERRY CHRISTMAS
TO ALL OUR FRIENDS



THE JOE ZOPPE FAMILY

JOE - PEGGY - ROGER
DENNIS - ANITA

HAPPY NEW YEAR

HI ALL YOU GREAT CIRCUS
PERFORMERS, DIRECTORS,
NOBLEMEN and FRIENDS
THROUGHOUT THE WORLD

HERE IS CHRISTMAS AGAIN AND
THE NEW YEAR—

And like me I know you remember the Good
Old Days of Real Circus Life. When all of us
Trainers and Performers and Directors came
from all parts of the World and had a real
Happy Circus REUNION, with Royalty, for
a wonderful Christmas!

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Yes, it is Christmas again and the New Year
is upon us.

I miss the Good Old Days and the Circus
Reunions and the Old Performers.

* * *

And now we have the New Generation, our
sons and daughters to carry on our name
and work.

My son has done the greatest to keep our
family alive, a family since 1676.

May all your sons and daughters do the same for the coming year
of 1977.

Have a Happy Holiday and may all your Contracts Pay your salaries!

HAVE A MOST HAPPY CHRISTMAS AND A VERY HAPPY AND
SUCCESSFUL NEW YEAR—1977.

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I would like to say don't quit

When things go wrong as they sometimes will,
When the road you're trudging seems all up hill,
When the funds are low and the debts are high;
And you want to smile, But you have to sigh,
When the show biz is pressing you down a bit,
Rest if you must, but don't you quit,
Life is queer with its Circus twists and turns,
As we sometimes learn, these days,
Many a failure turns about when he might have won had he
stuck it out,
Don't give up though the show seems slow—You may succeed
with another show!

Success is failure turned inside out—The silver tint of the
circus of doubt,

And you never can tell just how close you are,
It may be near when it seems so far;
So stick to the fight when the Directors of circus hardest hit,
My Circus Performers it's when things seem worst that you
must Not Quit, **REMEMBER THE CIRCUS WILL NEVER
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Happy Holidays

To All Our Circus Friends

Both With It and For It

JOE MINCHIN
Paterson, N. J.

"Westy" WESTERVELT
Ft. Myers Beach, Fla.

In Memoriam

EDWARD RILEY, former circus billposter for many shows, died at Hugo, Okla., on Dec. 4th, after a long illness. Survivors include his widow and a son. Burial was at Showman's Rest in Hugo.

J. H. (Dutch) Van ROSSUM (76) died early this month at Hugo, Okla. He spent most of his life in the circus business and at the time of his death was a resident of Hugo's Golden Age Home. Burial was on Dec. 4th at Showman's Rest in Hugo.

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AND A MOST
HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR**



ANNA DELMONTE (Fritz)

and **PINKEY**



Holiday Greetings

AND BEST WISHES FOR THE NEW YEAR

BOB EMRICO (Hi Fi, the Clown)

My Thanks to: John Lewis and Karl and Sheila Winn

CFA Meet

The Melzers & Voise CFA Tent held their 10th annual Christmas Party at the Sweden House in Saginaw, Mich., on Dec. 5th. Some 47 members and guests attended the event.

After dinner Herman Brandmiller showed old circus movies of Robbins Bros., Miller Bros. 101 Ranch and the Tom Mix Circus.

PEOPLE

PIERRE PICTON, and his 1924 Funny Model T, are working at the Gaiety Theatre in Dublin through early March;

DEAN WEISS, a banker turned clown, was interviewed on a Chicago TV station early this month regarding his clown work at local hospitals.

MERRY CHRISTMAS and HAPPY NEW YEAR

TO ALL MY C.F.A. FRIENDS

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MR. CLIFFORD VARGAS, CIRCUS VARGAS

MR. EDDIE ZACCHINI

FOR OUR PAST AND PRESENT ASSOCIATION



EUGENE C. LAMBART

MERRY CHRISTMAS
HAPPY NEW YEAR

To All Our Friends



RALPH & DOROTHY DUKE

*Best
And Warmest Wishes
At Christmastime And
Always*

BILL and ONALEE
WILLIAMS

Miscellaneous

Pölack Bros. Circus will open its 1977 season at Flint, Mich., in Mid-January. The show will play the usual route, with several new dates set for its tour.

The Funds for Animals organization have asked holiday shoppers not to buy such things as mink

coats, fox stoles, raccoon muffs and other items made from animal pelts.



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HOLIDAY
GREETINGS
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*Merry Christmas
and A
Happy New Year*

to all our Circus Friends



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