



6th Year

July 25, 1977

Number 30

R-B Elephant Dies

The famous Ringling-Barnum Circus elephant "Marcella" died at Circus World Park in Florida on July 12th. For 55 years she traveled with the circus, performing with and for a variety of celebrities, then on Feb. 3, 1977, she was retired and became a feature attraction at the park's Petting Zoo.

Marcella was more than 60 years old and was believed to be the oldest elephant in the United States. An Asian elephant, she came to this country in November 1922, aboard a ship, from Ceylon.

"For the past six to eight weeks, Marcella has gotten weaker and has had a difficult time getting up every morning by herself," says Bill "Buckles" Woodcock, Circus World's elephant superintendent.

"She would lie down at night with the other elephants," he said, "and finally

was unable to get up. The other elephants had to pull her to her feet the last few days"

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Big John Strong's Circus played its first Ohio engagement at Miamisburg (Dayton) on July 7-8, after a successful series of dates in Kentucky. Coming into Miamisburg the show was held up for three hours due to highway accidents (no show folks were involved) and because of repairs on the 175 bridge which crosses the Ohio River.

Show personnel included: Big John, John Jr., Bill Schreiber, Don Young, Chris De Wayne, Tom Janssen, Wally Wallentin, Robin Mearz, Miguelle Mearz, Diane Hagood, Gudrun, Jewel and Nicole Strong.

The working crew and concession department consists of: Don Pace, Dave Nogros, Tony Kennedy, Charles Rivera, Ernie Rivera, Marty Ennis and Warren Buck. They get it up and sell the goods which is just as important as anything on the show.

It was good to visit with Big John once again and the only thing missing on the show was live music. However, the recordings were well cued-in and thus added to the program.

Visitors seen on the lot included: Al Conover, CMB president; Jim Saunders, CFA Central Vice President; Smiley Brewer; Carl Gray; Wendell Cultice; Art Dickens; John O'Toole, Don and Grace Sandman; Nancy Gray; Pat Saunders; Gofer Saunders; Dick Schillhahn; Lisa and Doug Saunders and Harry Anderson, of the Enquirer Printers.

..... Don Sandman

The Facts

(The following letter appeared in TV Guide last month as a follow-up to an article in the magazine (June 11) titled "Bozo and Dan Are an Item!").

"In 'Bozo and Dan Are an Item!' (June 11) Bill Davidson states that the bear's origins are unknown. Bozo was purchased from a zoo in Kansas by my father, R. E. (Bob) Leonard, of Manhattan, Kan. He's a true impresario, well-known for his outstanding accomplishments with wild animals. He is the person responsible for Bozo's training and taming. While Bozo was still owned by Leonard, she starred in a movie with Clint Walker, 'The Night of the Grizzly.' In 1966 she was purchased by Lloyd Beebe for Disney Studio's 'King of the Grizzlies.' Bozo is a very special grizzly, but it took a great deal of professional know-how and patience for my father to train her for stardom."

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27 Carmi, Ill.
28 Benton
29 Carlyle
30 Olney
31 Pana

Circus Fantastic

thru Sept. Santa Clara, Cal.
Gurnee, Ill.

Circus Kirk

July 27 Colebrook, N. H.

Circus Vargas

July 25-27 Kitchener, Ont.
28-Aug. 2 Ottawa

Funs-A-Poppin Circus

to Aug. 28 Lion Country Safari, Ca

Garden Bros. Circus

July 25 Elliott Lake, Ont.
26 North Bay
27 St. Catherines
28 Kingston
30-Aug 4 Three Rivers

Bobby Gibbs Circus

to Sept. 11 Baraboo, Wisc.

Tommy Hanneford Circus

to Sept 5 Lake George, N.Y.

Grande Early American Circus

July 25-26 Port Huron, Mich.
27 Au Gres
28 West Branch
29-30 Oscoda

Happytime Circus

July 30 Stockton, Calif.

Harry's Magic Circus

July 30-31 Worthington, Ohio

Hoxie's Great American Circus

July 25 Franklin, Pa.
26 Slippery Rock
27 Kittanning
28 Jeannette
29 Somerset
30 Ligonier
31 Belle Vernon

Int'l All Star Circus

July 25 Terre Haute, Ind.
26 Danville, Ill.
27 Urbana/Champaign
28 Decatur
30 Bloomington
31 Peoria

King Bros.-Cole Comb. Circus

July 25 Pleasant Plains, N. J.
26 Toms River
27 Salem
28 Bridgeton
29-30 Wildwood
31 Somers Point

Martin & Downs Circus

July 25 Lakeside, N.S.
26 Westville
27 Mulgrane
28 Inverness

Ringling-Barnum - Blue Unit

to July 31 Houston, Texas

Ringling-Barnum - Red Unit

to Aug. 3 Inglewood, Calif.

John Strong Circus

July 26-27 South Bend, Ind.
28-29 Gary/Hammond

TNT & Royal Olympic Circus

July 26-28 Cedar Falls, Iowa
29-31 Austin, Minn.

Karl Wallenda Circus

July 29 Natchez, Miss.

Wenatchee Youth Circus

July 23-26 Wenatchee, Wash.
29-Aug 7 Portland, Ore.

... OTHER ROUTES ...

All Clown Meet

July 31 Sedan, Kansas

Auditorium Mgrs. Convention

July 28-29 San Fran, Calif.

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July 26-31 Decatur, Ill.

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THE MARRIAGE-GO-ROUND broke down: Or else it's the Las Vegas air...but: Splitsville are: KANDY CAVARETTA and producer husband JERRY SCHAFER and Kandy is back flying at Circus Circus....BARRY MITCHELL and MAUREEN CAVARETTA and Maureen went back to Australia, spies tell me, where she met that "someone special"....and Glamour boy JIMMY CAVARETTA and JUDY and Jimmy is now engaged to LAURA OLIN, a non-pro.... Recently widowed TERRY (Cavaretta) TERRELL has been seen painting the town in rainbow hues with Hacienda owner PAUL LOWDEN, but insiders say it "isn't serious".

Recent program at Old Chicago included: Joyce Rice, whips, ropes, baton twirling; Andre and Bunny, wire; Marco Polo, swords and the Flying Rauls, teeterboard and flying act. The program changes each month. Set for Texas are Cheri Troy, slide and Roman rings; the Quassars, rocket ship; The Lodi Duo, cradle, and the Franconis, double trapeze....Set for the DOBRITCH INT'L CIRCUS in September for Detroit are: Lilli-Ana's leopards; Vaschel and Kathy, Prince Najvez, Brickie's Poodles, The Apollos, Jack and Sandy Fulbright and Baby Dondi.

SNAPSHOTS: ANTONIETTE CONCELLO has a circular web number in the new Circus World show....It's reported that BARBARA WOODCOCK injured her back....The FLYING DELLS are back in the air at Circus Circus and BETTY WOODS has created a new "dove act" which is due to premiere at one of the main stem casinos this fall....The RANDELLS (Ronnie and Randy Warkmeister) go with ICE CAPEDES this fall....BA WARKMEISTER is busy doing Astrology charts for performers...REX YOUNG returns to the Texas dates....RAY HARTZELL and MARCO POLO now with the Voorheis Circus....JIM DOUGLASS takes delivery on a new cargo trailer built by Holiday Rambler this fall, and PHIL and FRANCINE will house themselves and Baby Dondi in a custom made Kentucky Semi trailer very similar to the beautiful one being used by the FULBRIGHTS.

FREDDIE SERRANO, brother-in-law to SANDY DOBRITCH made his Ringmaster's debut at Wheaton (Ill) wearing coats Sandy wore when he was SCAMPY on the vintage SUPER CIRCUS TV show....Sandy advises that although he has had the opportunity to acquire partners in the Dobritch Int'l Circus, he prefers to go it alone....The Japan Cir-

cus closed and came home a month early.... The game of musical dates goes on with CASTLE taking Flint in '78 and other dates changing producers so quickly one can't keep up with them.

VASHEK joins ED MIGLEY this month to teach the producer Scuba-diving....Clowns BILLY FORD and DONNI STAMBAUGH played Cleveland for EDDIE ZACCHINI....LILLI-ANA's leopards and TEDDY and LISA STEWART (The Commancheros) were in Cleveland Heights (July 4) for EMMETT KELLY, Jr. Circus....If there is a better boss canvasman around than WALT DAVIS of Florida Tent Rental, you'll have to prove it to me. His big top is always up and tight....I'm told that Las Vegas has as many performers living there as live in Sarasota. You'll find them as waiters, dealers and in the Stage Hands Union....FULBRIGHT's play dates for SAM T. POLACK this fall....Carson & Barnes and Beatty-Cole due in the Chicago area in August....People say the comedy Volkswagen belonging to the FLYING RUSSELLS is a riot. The car has a mouth like a shark and ends up swallowing the man who fronts it....THE ANGOSTINOS (balancing act) and GUNTHER GEBELS WILLIAMS were seen on a recent MIKE DOUGLAS show.

Famed retired bareback rider MAY WIRTH made several visits to the HANNEFORD FAMILY Circus to watch young KATHY HANNEFORD in her "principal" riding number....The PALACIOS bought 40 acres in Florida where they plan to build a "community center" with "wings" branching from it to house various members of their large family. Also scheduled for construction are tennis courts, soccer fields and a swimming pool. How sweet it is!

Before returning to Florida JIM DOUGLASS and VERN WOERNER drove to Detroit to visit with GRACE MacINTOSH and CHUCK MARINE..... HELEN HARTZELL, whose dad, RAY ROGERS, owned Wallace Bros. Circus, is now taking life easy in Las Vegas....ALFREDO LANDON says his wife BOYON is suffering with arthritis....The ELKINS SISTERS played fair dates in California...Editor DON MARCKS caught LEE GRABEL's magic show and says Lee's "disappearing horse" is sensational!....In addition to being side show manager on PUCK's Circus, ED RUSSELL is also the show manager and oversees the up and downing of the

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A program called "International Circus Show" was advertised as being a part of the Million Dollar Midway Carnival for its July 8-17 date at Newport, R. I. The ads called the show "Direct from Las Vegas".

Circus Vargas has added a number of animals to their menagerie: 2 wallabies, 2 foxes, a baby zebra, baby buffalo, baby yak, baby deer, baby camel, a live two-faced calf (has 4 eyes, 2 noses, 2 mouths, 4 ears), plus the other animals which were already featured in this portion of the show.

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STAN MULFORD, publicity director for the Roberts Bros. Circus would appreciate it if fans would send him any newspaper clippings they find about the show's trip to Tangier Island. Write him at: 3833 Trant Ave., Norfolk, Va. 23502

PARLEY BAER continues to serve as ringmaster/announcer for Polack Bros. Circus, now operating under the direction of BILL STEBBINGS.

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REPORT FROM OHIO

The annual Fireman's Int'l Circus at Cincinnati (July 6-10) was produced by George Hubler. Two shows were given each day, plus a special 11 a.m. show on Saturday.

The circus performances were presented under a huge big top provided by Harold Barnes. His tent crew was in town a week early to get the top up and be sure everything was ready. Concessions for the date were under the direction of Harry Mills, while the big show band was directed by Boom Boom Browning.

The layout looked good with a ticket wagon and concession wagons in front and leading to the marquee and entrance to the show. It was a select your own seat plan, with no reserved seats.

The program, which started with a Spec, included: The Young Family and The Great Antonia, juggling; Lilli-Ana and her leopards; Tony Steele, high dive; Happy and Hardy, the clowns; The Plunkett Family, trampoline; Clown Fire Cracker gag; and Prince Najvez, aerialist.

After intermission were: Chris James, wire; The Young Troupe, teeterboard; Clowns and a Tug-O-War; Schmidt & Albulet, high wire; Lee and Janet Keener, with the Diano elephants; The Flying Valentines, with Ray Valentine, Jr., and Tony Steele, flyers.

PEOPLE

EVEL KNIEVAL jumps over an open cage containing some 20 lions and tigers in his soon to be released film, a story about his daring exploits.

DEAN KRAKEL, managing director of the Cowboy Hall of Fame, has been signed as special historical consultant for the upcoming film "I, Tom Horn" which will star comedy performer DON KNOTTS.

WILLIAM CONRAD, TV and film star, will host the TV presentation of The Moscow Circus on Friday night, July 22nd.

On Saturday (July 9) members of the John Robinson-Loyal Repensky CFA Tent held a picnic for circus personnel, between the 5 p. m. and 8 p.m. show. Also attending the picnic were members of the Harold Barnes CFA Tent and Robbins Bros. and John Robinson CMB Rings.

The circus youngsters (?) complained about working three shows on Saturday, but after the picnic they quickly put together a football game with the Concession people. Don't know who won as both sides claimed victory when the game ended.

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..... Don Sandman

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PEOPLE

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J. H. STAGG, of Bradenton, Fla., visited the Dobritch Circus at Wheaton, Ill., then caught Carson & Barnes, Royal American and the Peru (Ind) Circus is also on his traveling schedule.

The MARVIN GAUGER's, of Baraboo's Circus World Museum, have been busy entertaining visiting show folks including: Mr. & Mrs. DON KIDDER (Sarasota), Mrs. HARRIET WESTMAN (Tampa), FATHER JOHN CALLAHAN (Rock Island), Mr. & Mrs. OLI WICKSTROM (Winnipeg), DICK GEORGIA (New York), TOM GAUGER (Janesville) and WILLIAM McFANN (Iowa).

LARRY GILL recently returned to the Flying Lar-Rays Troupe after missing some shows due to a back injury. However, the troupe never missed a show and a fill-in flyer was signed for several dates.

WHITEY BLACK, manager of King Bros. and HELEN DEPRIMAS, of the Riding Deprimas, were among the visitors seen recently on the Beatty-Cole Circus lot.

GUNNAR AMANDIS was one of many visitors at the Hubler Int'l Circus in Cincinnati during its July 6-10 engagement.

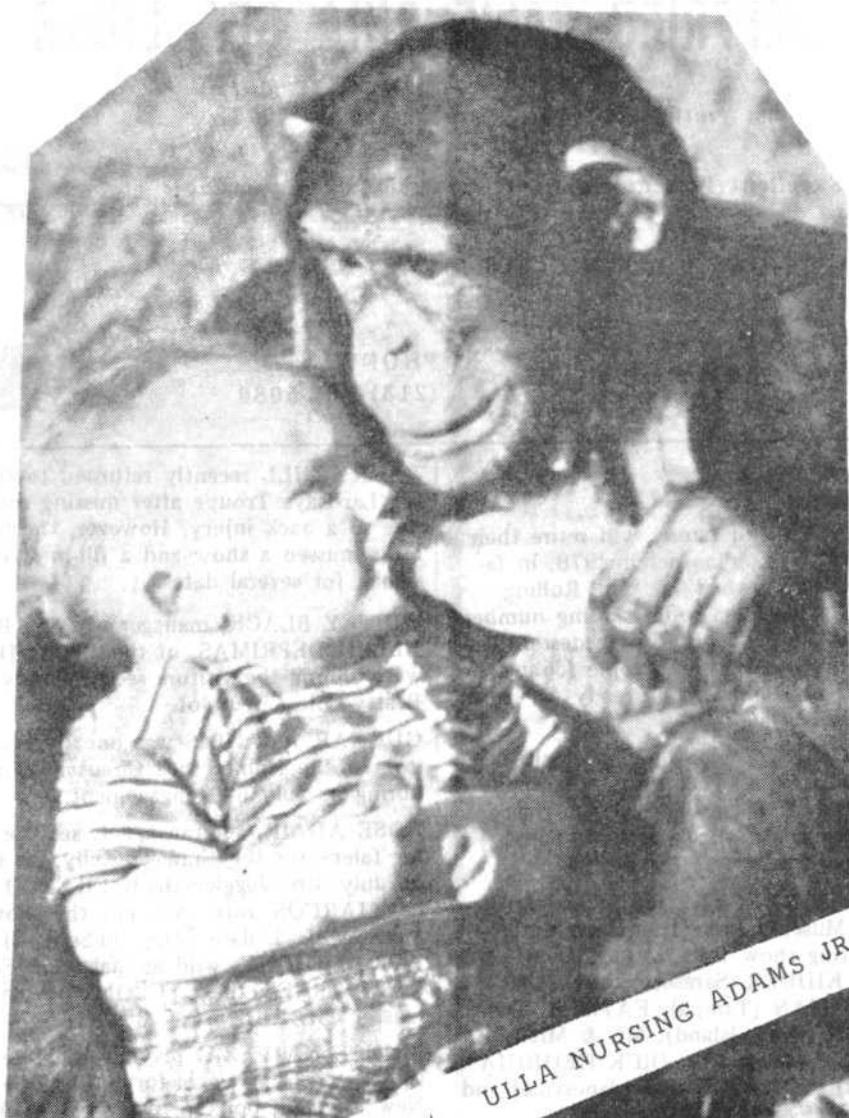
ROSE ADAIR, veteran agent, set the following talent for the Emmett Kelly, Jr. Circus on July 4th: Juggler DICK FRANCO and the MARCOS, rola bola. For the show's East Meadow, L. I. date (Aug. 30-Sept. 5) are PAT ANTHONY, wild animals; the FLYING VALENTINES, the CYCLONIANS and ringmaster CHARLIE VAN BUSKIRK.

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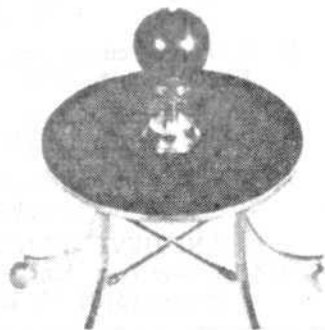
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The show program includes: Al's Ponies; The Juggling Martins; Guy Gossing, tigers; The Lodi Duo, cradle; Sabo's Chimps; Clowns; Jorge's Funny Car; Miss Evelyn, aerialist; Mr. Rythmn, dancing horse; Clowns; The Flying Lar-Rays; Randy and Sylvia, perch; DeMille, wire; Lamberti, balancing; Johnny Luxem, Wheel of Destiny; Vidbel's elephants; The Reynoso Bros., Pirates of the Sky; the Hor-tobagyi Troupe and the Hernandez Troupe, teeterboard and the Swaying Stars.

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In Memoriam

LAJOS RICHTER died of a heart attack on June 21st, the day circus performers returned from their tour in Japan.

Pundor, we thought we saw; or rather sensed your soul flash bright against the clear blue sky; the day we came; your friends, to see your grave. We can not believe the earth holds you, for we heard the rush of wings, felt their wind and saw them glisten as they dipped to touch the sun, soaring free, your joy boundless. We, the earth-bound mourn the loss of your laughter among us; perhaps we shall meet again in another sphere, touch hands, touch hearts, share love.

..... Ruth Hill

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A much-too-short version of the Kaye Continental Circus began at 8 p.m. under the direction of Paul V. Kaye, with John Day handling the announcements. The circus band was directed by Don Heaston.

The show opened with four lovely ladies doing single trapeze work. Ada Smieya, with her wild animals followed, after which both the Klockman and McKay Duos were presented in aerial cradle numbers. Clown Alley then preceded a three ring display of animal actors including Fay Snyder's Critters, Bobby Moore's Mongrels and Ernestine Clarke's ponies, assisted by her husband Parley Baer.

At this point the show departed from its printed program (\$1.00 - 20 pages) to present the high dive of Miss Astra (Ruth Hill). This was followed by three rings of ground acts with the Russ Saunders adagio teeterboard trio, David Linden, hand balancing, and Murillos & Ulises, hand balancing. An aerial ballet, including webs and head balancing came next, followed by the Hollywood Elephants. A solo high wire act by the Great Valentin concluded the show.

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..... W. C. Wood

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Also appearing throughout the fair engagement was the Happytime Circus, the Foley & Burk Shows, The Bob Norman orchestra and the Los Hermanos, Mexican group.

Party Time

The Fourth of July Bash held on Roberts Bros. Circus was a real success. It was a potluck affair with the cookhouse staff providing salads, the Earl ladies providing Smithfield ham and Roast Beef, Edna Top fixed some truly fine baked beans, Martha Flores came through with a batch of the best Tacos anybody could ask for, and Gene Earl and the Concession Department provided munchies and soft drinks. Not to be outdone Stan Mulford, Bob Earl and Bob Clark of the Advance Dept., chipped in to provide all the beer the crew could drink.

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ROLAND TIEBOR, retired seal trainer, now resides in Palmetto, Fla. His son, ROLAND (Jr) continues to carry on the family tradition of presenting seals with his own act at the Benson's Wild Animal Farm in Hudson, N.H. The act includes stage and water numbers.

KEN GRIFFIN and wife, magicians, visited JACK and BETTY DeHOLT in Houston, Texas and also visited TOM and SHERRIE (magicians) as well as WALTER BLANEY, before heading out for dates in Georgia and Florida.

BOB MRICO, clown, has added a baby skunk to his menagerie animals, which also includes a giant rooster and several mice, doves and other animal performers.

RON WHITFIELD now has ten lions in his cat act featured at Marineland/Africa USA in Redwood City, Calif. He also works the elephants at the California park.

JUNIOR RUFFIN and DIETER TASSCO of Garden Bros. Circus visited Circus Vargas at

BILLY BARTON (Continued)

big top. Ed has nothing but praise for the Canadian Circus.

Florida Tent Rental will use a 110 round with three 50 ft. middles for the Emmett Kelly, Jr. Circus date at Louisville Fair instead of the 150 top they normally send out....ERNIE (Blinko) BURCH and MARAN repeat their annual stint in Texas this season....'JUMBO' producer JOSEPH LANDES has been stricken with a bad "summer cold"..... TOMMY BENTLEY and CHUCK CLANCEY report the Firemen's promotion for the HUBLER INT'L Cincy Circus date was the biggest it has ever been. And they ought to know!

See you down the road, luv...

Winnipeg. Other visitors on the circus lot recent, included SAM ALEXANDER, who is managing three shows (magic, mice and a theatre) on the Conklin Shows.

LARRY NAUS, magician and escape artist with the Van Bros. Circus, performs the mail bag escape at each performance. Viewers are invited to bring along their own padlocks. Larry escapes from the secure-locked bag in two minutes for a new record.

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In Memoriam

THELMA PACKS (66), widow of the late Tom Packs, circus producer and sports promoter, died at St. Louis, Mo. on Dec. 10, 1976. The Tom Packs Circus originated many major show dates in the country including the St. Louis Shrine Circus in 1943.

Shrine Dates

The following list of Shrine Circuses, playing for the El Katif Temple in Spokane, Wash., was compiled by Mike Sporrer.

1939	-	May 3-9	-	Polack Bros.	-	Armory
1940	-	1954	-	No Shrine Circuses Held		
1955	-	May 6-10	-	Ward Bell	-	Coliseum
1956	-	Apr 13-15	-	Polack Western	-	Coliseum
1957	-	Apr 5-7	-	Polack Western	-	Coliseum
1958	-	May 2-4	-	Polack Bros.	-	Coliseum
1959	-	May 1-3	-	Polack Bros.	-	Coliseum
1960	-	May 13-15	-	Polack Bros.	-	Coliseum
1961	-	May 5-7	-	Polack Bros.	-	Coliseum
1962	-	May 4-6	-	Polack Bros.	-	Coliseum
1963	-	May 3-5	-	Polack Bros.	-	Coliseum
1964	-	May 1-3	-	Polack Bros.	-	Coliseum
1965	-	Apr 23-25	-	Polack Bros.	-	Coliseum
1966	-	Apr 29-May 1	-	Polack Bros.	-	Coliseum
1967	-	Apr 28-30	-	Polack Bros.	-	Coliseum
1968	-	Apr 26-28	-	Polack Bros.	-	Coliseum
1969	-	Mar 20-23	-	Hubert Castle	-	Coliseum
1970	-	Mar 19-22	-	Hubert Castle	-	Coliseum
1971	-	Mar 18-21	-	Hubert Castle	-	Coliseum
1972	-	Mar 16-19	-	Hubert Castle	-	Coliseum
1973	-	Mar 22-25	-	Hubert Castle	-	Coliseum
1974	-	Mar 21-24	-	Hubert Castle	-	Coliseum
1975	-	Mar 20-23	-	Hubert Castle	-	Coliseum
1976	-	Mar 18-21	-	Hubert Castle	-	Coliseum
1977	-	Mar 17-20	-	Hubert Castle	-	Coliseum

MARIA RASPUTIN, circus star of the '30s, and now a resident of Los Angeles, has authored a book "Rasputin: The Man Behind The Myth"

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PEOPLE

ED JONES visited the **GEORGE HUBLER** Circus at Cincinnati (Ohio) and reports that everything looked great.

HARRY CHIPMAN was honored on July 7 by the Masonic Grand Lodge of California with the presentation of a 50 year pin.

CARLA WALLENDA worked a July 4th engagement at Merrimack, N. H.

ANDY ANDERSON is building a 40 ft. combination trailer for concessions and tickets for the new DuJors Circus which debuts in September.

KURT ELKINS is undoubtedly the fastest prop man in the business today and receives a round of applause for his speedy work.

CORKY PLUNKETT had a flat tire on the expressway enroute from Philadelphia to Cincinnati for the **GEORGE HUBLER** show. Then he had to have a leaf in a spring replaced before leaving.

GEORGE HUBLER will bring the Carson & Barnes Circus into Covington (Ky) for one day late in September. The date is being promoted by **CHUCK CLANCEY** and **TOMMY BENTLEY**.

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SPECIAL

In an exclusive telephone interview with E. J. McDaniels (July 1) from Dayton, Ohio, it was learned the "This Is Hawaii On Ice" show is in Japan.

When asked what had brought him back to the states when the show is working in Japan, McDaniels said, "We had a successful west coast tour and into the midwest with our 'un-ice' show. Our reception and sales were beyond our expectations for a first year venture. In fact we have already booked 58 dates for 1978, with more dates pending.

"It was also necessary to return," says McDaniels, producer and promoter of the ice show, "because of a suit that had been filed over the closing of Showtime USA. A suit was filed against us and in turn we counter-sued for \$5 million."

In the meantime a 30 day delay in the action was granted. McDaniels went on to say that with statements from employees on the show he feels he has a very good case. Any

Togetherhness

The following day-and-date schedule is due this week at towns in Illinois and Indiana.

The Int'l All Star Circus will play in Terre Haute, Ind., on July 25th, while the James H. Drew Shows will be playing there July 24 to 29th.

A few days later the Int'l All Star Circus is scheduled to play Decatur, Ill., on July 28th, while the Century 21 Shows (Blue Unit) is playing there July 26 to 31st.

other help or statements that could provide strength for our case would be appreciated.

"This Is Hawaii On Ice" was flown from March Field to Taiwan on April 26th and played there through May 15th. The show was in Tokyo July 10-21 and will be playing a number of other Japanese towns, including Nagasaki and Hiroshima. Plans are also underway to take the show into New Zealand and Australia.

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