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## in the NEWS

### A SAFE LEAP

An unidentified parachutist jumped safely off the 110th-floor observation deck of the 1353 foot World Trade Center in New York on Sep. 13th, and landed safely on the ground. He then sped off in a waiting car.

The jump was the fourth successful stunt from the world's second largest building. In 1977, George Willig scaled one of the twin towers. In 1974, Philippe Petit walked a tightrope between the two towers and in 1975 Owen Quinn jumped with a parachute.

## REPORT

### CANADIAN SHOW CLOSES

The French Quebec show "Le Cirque Internationale" closed three weeks earlier than its scheduled Sept. 14th closing date. The investors (a different group from that of previous years) reportedly have suffered a loss of over \$100 thousand.

Business was spotty throughout most of the season and there had been some reports the advance promotion was not quite up to par. In any event, all of the acts had been paid, and it seems unlikely that the show will return to the road in 1981.

American acts appearing with the circus included: Pat Anthony, wild animals; Gee Gee Engesser, elephants and ponies (presented by Roy and Pat Wells); The Great Huston & Co., illusions; Tony and Irene Fosset, boxing kangaroo and chimps, and Doris Schampacher, horse and donkey.

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## On The Cover

This week's cover photo is a midway scene from a picture taken on the Ringling-Barnum Circus in the early 1900's. It was used to illustrate a magazine story about the Flying Clarkonians, called "The Man Who Tried 9,000 Times." (See CR, Oct. 1, 1979).

## Wedding

Christopher Romig and Michelle Duczynski were married on Sept. 6th, at Our Lady of Fatima Church, Oak Park, Mich.

Michelle is associated with the Detroit Zoological Society, in the accounting dept., and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Duczynski, of Oak Park, Mich.

Chris is a technician of his own piano, Nickolodean Restoration Co. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Romig, known as Ricky the Clown of WXYZ-TV, Detroit. He has also appeared in many circuses.

More than 200 guests attended the reception including several circus people: Grace McIntosh and Chuck Marine, of M&M International; Jimmy Douglass and Vern Woerner, of Circus Creations; George DaDeppo, artist; Mrs. Elizabeth Rooney Romig, Irene Gilsdorf, one of the Sweet Sister team, Marvin Yagoda and wife Jean, and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Kirchner, Mr. and Mrs. Klayo and several others of the Music Box Society.

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Sep. 29 Dickson, Tenn.  
30 Huntington  
Oct. 1 Dresden  
2 Paducah, Ky.  
3 Herrin, Ill.  
4 Salem

Hubert Castle Circus  
Oct. 2 Okla. City, Okla.

Circus Vargas  
Oct. 3-5 Baton Rouge, La

Gil Gray Circus  
Sep. 30-Oct. 6 Austin, Tex

Great American Circus  
Oct. 1 Sandersville, Ga.  
2 Swainsboro  
3 Vidalia  
4 Hinesville  
5 Claxton

Happytime Circus  
Sep. 30-Oct. 5 Ventura,  
Calif.

Hoxie Bros. Circus  
Sep. 29 Foley, Ala.  
30 Pascagoula, Miss  
Oct. 1 Meridian  
2 Louisville  
3 Columbus  
4 Amory  
5 Grenada

King Bros. Circus  
Oct. 3-4 W. Memphis, Ark

Ringling-Barnum - Blue  
Oct. 2-12 Denver, Colo.

Ringling-Barnum - Red  
Sep. 30-Oct. 5  
Indianapolis, Ind.

Royal Hanneford Circus  
Oct. 3-5 Knoxville, Tenn.

Royal Lichtenstein Circus  
Sep. 29-30 Omaha, Nebr.  
Oct. 1 Fremont  
2 Crete  
3 Lawrence, Kans.

Swan Bros. Circus  
to Oct. 5 Bakersfield, Cal.

TNT & Royal Olumpic  
Oct. 1-5 Overland Park, Kans

Texas Shrine Circus  
Sep. 30-Oct. 6 Austin, Tex

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Oct. 3-4 Niceville, Fla.

Irv Weiner  
Oct. 4-7 Tulsa, Okla

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Sep. 29-Oct 4 Laurel, Miss

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Sep. 29-Oct. 4 Cartersville, Ga

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Oct. 3-5 Hollister, Calif

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Sep 30-Oct 5 Waco, Texas  
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## In Memoriam

LYLE J. JUNEAU (60), a machinist and circus fan, died Sept. 8th at Rockford, Ill. For many years he was active at the Circus World Museum in Baraboo and at one time he was a rider with the Loyal Repinski Troupe on Ringling-Barnum. Survivors include his wife Esther, a son William, a daughter Mrs. Sandi Owens, two brothers and two sisters.

## PEOPLE

CLAUDE and JEANNIE CRUMLEY visited Circus Vargas several times during the show's Chicago area tour, and Claude several sets of juggling clubs to performers.

JACK KING, who was operating the side show on the new King Bros. Circus, after booking the show, has left that circus.



# Billy Barton

ONE MORE COLUMN before I take a two week's hiatus to assimilate all the upcoming news from the Texas dates. The Royal Hanneford Circus date in Salisbury (Md) Sep. 5-6, was a Red One (played in the new Civic Center) and the date has been resigned for 1981. Acts, other than the Hanneford-owned ones, appearing on the date included The Great Huerto, Los Latinos, The Rolls Duo and Prince Najvez.

STRUPPI HANNEFORD, prior to the Salisbury date, went to New York to tape a commercial for TIGER MILK Candy, a new candy bar. The tiger she used was trained to leap from pedestal to pedestal thru a paper hoop bearing the candy bar logo.

Included in Hanneford's 1981 route will be Lansing, Mich., played in March for the Caravan Youth Center replacing the old Hospitaler Circus which has been discontinued. This date will fall just before the Moslem Temple Shrine Circus in Detroit.

THE HERNANDEZ TROUPE, now at Great Adventure, will return to that theme park for JOE BAUER in 1981, from April until Oct. They will also play the Detroit Shrine Circus (Mar. 20-Apr. 5). (Also in Detroit will be two breakaway sway poles and three flying acts). Manuel and Lisa Hernandez say they've enjoyed their run at the Great Adventure park. "It's a good way to beat the high gas prices," they say, "and besides, it's right in the middle of a lot of fun places, not to mention the ocean where our boys ride the waves with their surfboards every chance they get."

ITEMIZING: Author-Publisher JOHN McCONNELL, now associated with the "front end" of Royal Hanneford, laughs to think that he has joined the circus while I have pulled a switch and "joined" the publishing field - well, it IS an unusual switch. . . Musicians BOB and KAY PARKER are back with Hanneford for the fall tour. . . MACK ESH-LEMAN visited the circus at the York Fair produced by MOFFIT and said the show was super. Among the acts Mack mentioned were Lilli-Ana, Herbie Weber, the Coronas, the Zamperas, the Vidbels, and Dime and Connie Wilson. Mack, along with EARL MICHAELS are now in Texas. . . The Emmett Kelly, Jr. Circus did excellent business at the Carter-Beran Amphitheatre in Washington, DC, over Labor Day, so reports Herbie Weber.

Acts at the Atlantic National Exhibition for Better Booking out of Boston were: MC Arnold Archer, Billy Earl, vent, Helena Duo, perch, The Bertinis, bikes, Bonnie & Clyde, musical comedy and Angela Wilnow's collies. Also on for a one day shot was country-western star KITTY WELLS. . . SENOR RAI who visited recently with ANGELA LANSBURY reports the star is doing the road tour of SWEENEY TODD, having just returned from England where she essayed the role of MISS MARPLE in AGATHA CHRISTIE's "The Mirror Cracked". Also in the film are Elizabeth Taylor, Rock Hudson, Kim Novak and Tony Curtis. Lansbury was aged for the part and should be a first-rate Miss Marple. . . My neighbor JEAN STAPLETON played that old-lady sleuth in a production of "Murder At The Vicarage" at the Totem Pole Playhouse only a few miles from my home. . . MAE WEST has recovered from a mild concussion sustained when she fell out of bed a month or so ago. Mae, who had a birthday in Aug., is now 88 (or 89 depending on who is counting). . . Rai also visited with ALEXIS SMITH who is doing the road tour of 'W-House in Texas'.

READER'S CIRCLE: MARC OLDEN, author of "Gossip", an original paperback, has a new book out, "The Book of Shadows". I fail to understand why this clever author has not been released in hardcover. His new book is a first-rate thriller, fast-paced, pulse-quickening. I only wish he'd stop using so many four-letter words which I (and many readers) are growing tired of. There ARE other ways of getting one's point across! Anyway, it's a good book, put out by Charter, so pick it up.

GERARD SOULES, back from more than eight months in South America with an ice show, has signed the fall and 1981 tour with Royal Hanneford. It's the first time I've seen Jerry's dog act in ten years and it's excellent. All the dogs stand on their hind legs perfectly erect and he has a number of specialty dogs that are a sensation, especially the Can-Can Dog whose paws hold the dress and actually can-cans! The act is a show stopper, no doubt about it, and features original ideas. Jerry uses only poodles, starts off with a straight dog act combining several clever and fast tricks, before going into the specialties.

TIDBITS: FRANK CURRY escorted JUNE

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**REPORT****CIRCUS INT'L FAREWELL PARTY**

BY ROBERT LEBLANC

Sunday, Aug. 24th, 8 p.m. was the last show for the 1980 season of Cirque Internationale, the end came three weeks earlier than was expected.

On Aug. 23rd, a farewell party was given under the big top and I was invited with my family to attend.

Fernand Brouillette who is the main owner of the circus, gave a speech explaining that due to the lack of patrons it was better to close the circus rather than go on and become bankrupt.

A special show was given for all the personnel. In that show Pierre Jean who was ringmaster on one of the Gatini units last year, sang a few songs and made a few imitations such as Popeye and Olive, etc.

The Great Huston was playing the drums and Hanns Raedler was at the organ. Raymond Mullin (Ray the clown) also sang, then Pancho the Gypsy sword swallower and fire eater gave a show, by the way he will be with the King Bros. Circus as of the middle of September.

The whole show ended about 3 a.m. and it was enjoyed by everyone. Gee Gee Engesser sold the two elephant-skin puppies to Jean De Rome and Raymond Mullen, so they will travel with them this winter.

Leo Duplessis the other owner of the circus was unable to attend the party since he had been recently hospitalized for a heart attack.

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**REPORT****CATCHING THE SHOWS**

BY ALLEN BABCOCK

We had a busy Labor Day weekend here in Illinois with several special events, all of which attracted large crowds of people. One of the big features was the Ringling Red Unit, playing Springfield (Aug. 29-Sept. 1).

This was the first time in 33 years the Ringling show had come here and so there was a lot of interest in all of their activities. They played in the Convention Center which will seat 54,400 people. The opening night was a sell out and for the rest of the performances the show drew 80% or better.

The train arrived at 11:45 p.m. on Aug. 28, coming in from Des Moines, and was put on a siding for the unloading. Since there was no show until the following night they delayed unloading until 8 a.m. The runs were 1 1/2 miles from the building.

After the last show the tear down moved along smoothly. About 11:10 p.m. it started to rain and by midnight was coming down really heavy. That poor train crew got soaked before the train was loaded.

An NBC-TV film crew was with the circus, filming for a documentary which they said will be aired Jan. 2, 1981. They took a lot of footage of Gunther Gebel-Williams and especially the "animal walk".

Some of the visitors I saw at the Ringling show were: Mike Sorrell, Vernon Richardson, Norman Schuler and Bill Backstein.

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Last month I had a nice visit on three shows - Hoxie Bros. played Oak Park, Circus Vargas was at Hillside and Carson & Barnes were just a few blocks away. That was Aug. 23rd and all three shows were within six miles of each other.

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**in the NEWS****STIFF SENTENCE IMPOSED**

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Kelly received 25 years to life on a first degree murder charge and 15 years to life on a second degree murder charge.

A plea for hospitalization was declined and it was left up to the California Board of Prison Terms as to whether the terms will be served consecutively or concurrently.

**HOTLINE**

The TNT & Royal Olympic Circus was plagued by the heavy storms that swept across the state of Minnesota during August. Show personnel were caught in the middle of a storm while enroute from Minneapolis to Eau Claire.

Sometime later they had to hook up trailers and make a run into a shopping mall truck court to escape from 80 mph winds.

On Aug. 12th, a storm struck the show during its Peoria, Ill. stand. However, there was no immediate damage.

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## REPORT

### CHESSINGTON ZOO CIRCUS CLOSES

BY JACK NIBLETT

For a large portion of the 49 years in which the Chessington Zoo Circus has been in existence, Gilbert's International Circus, has been in residence.

Now with the Zoo (about 20 miles from London) being taken over by a new business organization, it has been decided that this year will be the last of these annual Summer Circuses, and the show was due to close on Sep. 7th.

Gilbert's Circus is owned by Mrs. Emily Thompson (nee Paulo) and her son Bill, and the program is made up mainly by members of the Thompson/Paulo families, and designed primarily for the younger zoo patrons.

The show which lasts about 75 minutes and plays twice or three times daily, this year included: Overture and introduction by Mrs.

Emily Thompson (ringmaster); Gilbert's Liberty horses; Palomino Pony and Guanaco; Performing Geese; Miss April, vertical rope; Mademoiselle Yolanda, trapeze; Pigeon act by Miss June and Miss April; Clown Bruno and his Children's Band; Foot-juggling by Miss Yolanda; Dressage display by Miss June; Riding Machine with audience participation.

During the war years, despite heavy bombing raids, the Chessington Zoo Circus carried on and even produced a stage version of the show which played at London theatres and at Army Camps. At this period several famous European circus artists were connected with the circus including the celebrated horse trainer Czeslaw Mrowcovski (Charlie Moroski), who later left these shores to be with Ringling Br. Barnum & Bailey Circus.

The passing of this show is sad, and much regretted by the Circus Fans who always had a soft spot for this charming family circus, particularly so as it means that the circus will not now be able to take part in the Zoo's 50th year celebration.

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**REPORT****HOXIE BROS CIRCUS**

BY KEN HOLEHOUSE

Hoxie Bros. Circus rolled into Park Forest, Ill. on Aug. 30th, the day after Franzen Bros. had played to two straw houses in adjoining Park Forest South and a couple of days before the widely publicized Circus Vargas set up in a nearby shopping center. Business was not too bad for them, though, considering that Park Forest and the south suburbs of Chicago became a paradise for circus fans that particular week.

Hoxie has come through some hard times this year. *Blowdowns* now find them using an old Beatty-Cole tent and the loss of two fine acts, the Loyal-Repensky duo and Walt Stimax's chimp act, which has left the show with no animal acts except the concluding elephant display. Although a lone camel and a team of ponies were staked out in the back yard, they never made it under the big top at the show I saw.

A torrential downpour delayed the start of the 4 p.m. performance and, apparently,

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completely eliminated the circus march and parade that has always opened this show in the past. One gaping hole in the top of the tent kept a steady stream of water pouring down in front of the center ring through most of the first half of the show and a number of people decided to stay home rather than brave the bad weather.

But the show went on and, although I missed the animal acts and some of the other top attractions that this show has featured in past years, *Hoxie Bros.*, is still good circus and offers the fan and spectator some fine entertainment.

The members of the multi-talented Campas family gave us a number of acts including the juggling Les Dubois girls for an opening act. The girls return on the single strand for a parallel display and then join young Juan Carlos for a fast paced unicycle act. The whole family gets together for a musical nonsense routine after intermission.

Another highlight of the show was the Lisner Duo. As usual, their controlled, carefully executed maneuvers on the aerial perch were celestial poetry.

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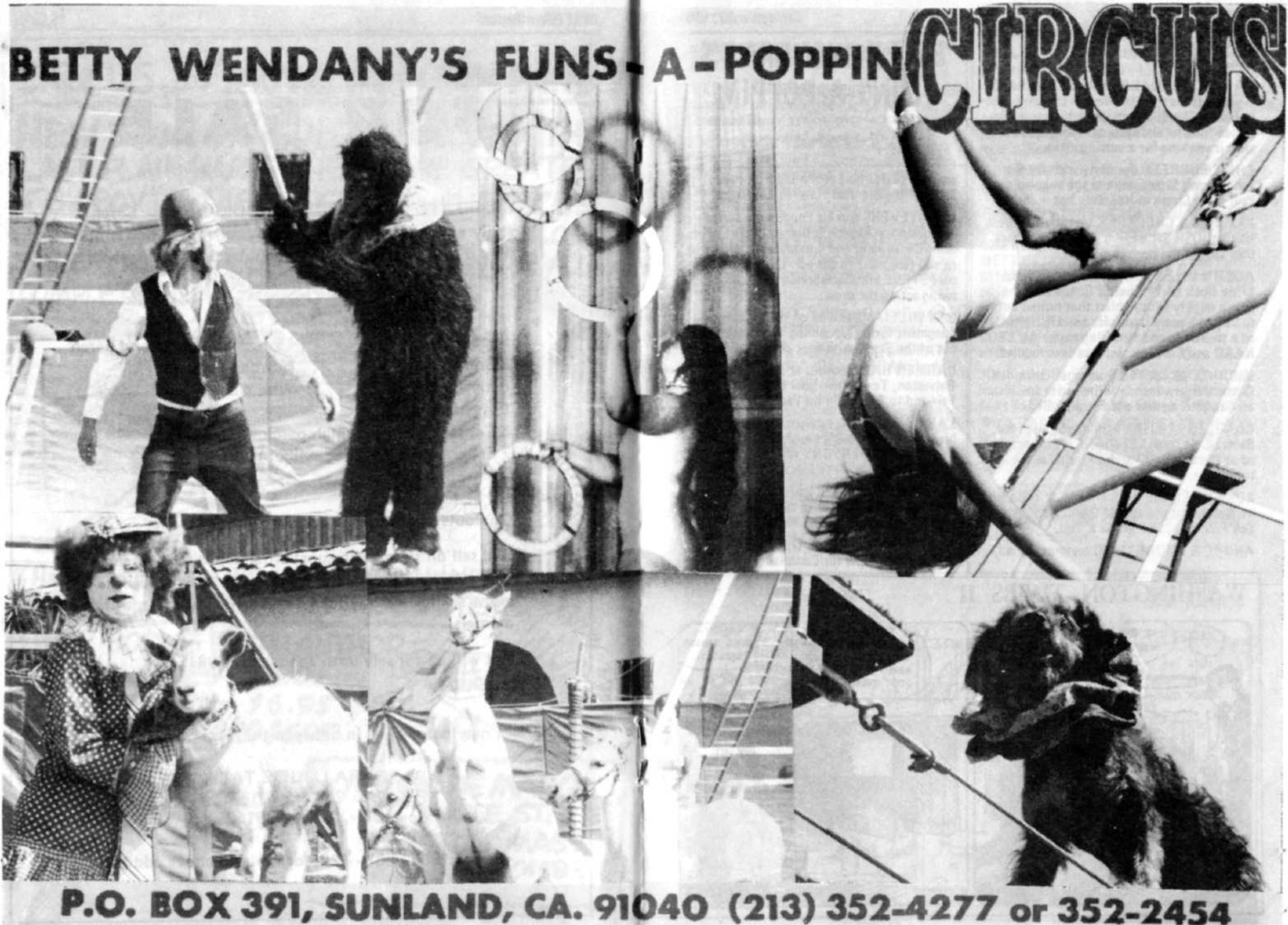
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## PEOPLE

**MARVIN** and **JOANNE VARNER** are enjoying life off the road this season at their home in Dallas, Texas. Marvin is working as an electrician for a local display company and Joanne is working for a nursing home.

**CHRIS BURRELL**, formerly with the Big John Strong Circus, reports she enjoyed the Paul Kaye Circus in Honolulu last month.

**PATCHES & CHECKERS**, clowns, have been visiting **JOSH SILVER** in New York, where they caught the stage show "Barnum."

**AUSTIN MILES** suffered a blowout at the Little Rock (Ark) Kiwanis Circus when he gave a mighty whistle blast that turned out to be just a puny tweet. He quickly borrowed a whistle from fellow ringmaster **AL LEONARD** and the show went on as scheduled.

**MICHAEL McCARTHY**, advance clown for Circus Vargas, recently visited with friends on Carson & Barnes and Ringling Red.

**CHARLES BERTINI**, bandmaster with the Beatty-Cole show 1976-1978, is now employed at Circus World Park in Florida as the lead trumpeter.

**BOB FILTER** and the Smiser Mule Train will be featured at the annual Grand Nationals in San Francisco, Oct. 24-Nov. 2nd.

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**LEE STEVENS** and his Poodles are currently working on Carson & Barnes Circus. He is using 3 standards and 4 miniatures, and plans to add two more to the act. Lee and his partner **STEVE** are also working their cloud swing act on the show.

**BEN WILLIAMS** will be on the coast to film a segment for the upcoming TV show "Circus of the Stars" with four elephants.

**CARMEN HALL** worked at Beaumont and Galveston, Texas, then goes to the Dallas Fair and to Evansville for Paul Kaye's date.

**LARRY GAGNON**, western performer, did his whip act and MC'd the show, working with **DON ANDERSON's** white horse troupe at the Rhinebeck (NY) Fair on Aug. 13th.

**ALBERTO ZOPPE** will have his animal acts working on the "Circus of the Stars" show which is scheduled for filming this month.

**HUSTON**, illusionist, has taped a segment of the "Circus" show for Canadian TV and was

scheduled to open a west coast tour today at Palm Springs, Calif. (Sept. 22).

**BILL KAY** delivered the Eulogy at the recent funeral of showman Doc Bartok who died in Sarasota, Fla.

**JIM RIDENOUR** and son **MIKE**, working as "Happy" and "Blinky," clowns, recently finished the summer season at Magic World theme park in Pigeon Forge, Tenn. Jim now starts his school show season.

**GUZMAN & MONIQUE**, **JOEY JORDAN** and **THE GREAT MANCINI** finish their season at Story Town in New York and go together up to Toronto to film the Canadian TV show "Circus."

**BILL KARLTON's** "Fantasy On Ice" show will tour during October and November.

**VICTOR PONCE**, juggler, visited with **PATRICK JORDAN** and **JOEY JORDAN**, both jugglers, at Glens Falls, N.Y.

**ROY MARVIN**, magician featured with the **LIBERACE** show, will play Circle Star Theatre in San Carlos, Calif., Nov. 11-17.

**VICTOR PONCE**, juggler, **THE CANESTRELLIS**, trampoline and **JOHN CARLOW**, featured skater are on tour with the Ice Follies and Holiday on Ice Show.

**GETTA** and **JEAN LOUIS**, adagio team, are presently playing at the Queen Elizabeth Ho-

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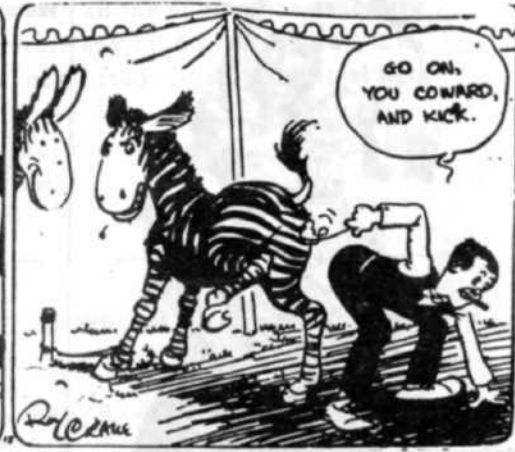
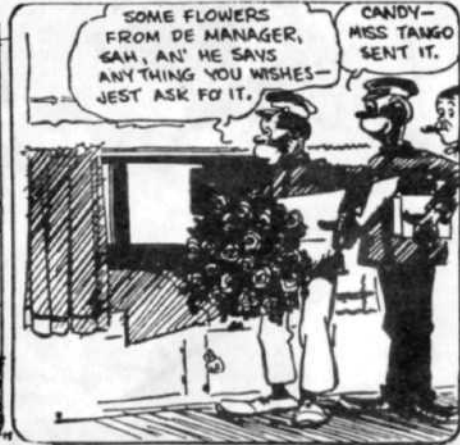
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Mr. Vargas hosted a cocktail party for some of the Ringling visitors when the two shows were playing close to each other.

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Mr. Vargas' new 5th wheel, with its lush interior decor received many compliments and generated much conversation.

Some of the other Ringling visitors seen on the lot were: Gary White, Victor Ruiz, Judy Nightingale, Skeeter Reese, Miguel and Margarita Ayala, Tina and Werner Edling, Picalo, Carl Wong and the Farfans.

## PEOPLE

**MIKE PIKE**, circus bandleader, made his movie debut in the new film "Honeysuckle Rose" which stars Willie Nelson, Dyan Cannon and Slim Pickens. Mike plays a country western musician.

**BILL BOUTHILLIER**, former elephant man for RBBB, is presently working with 15 elephants (African) at the Six Flags Great Adventure Safari Park in Jackson, N. J.



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## Miscellaneous

The New York photographic studio, "Inspired Images" recently completed an assignment of photographing Vino Berosini, "The King of Swords." Captured on film were Berosini doing his balancing and acrobatic acts, including his leap through the rotating ring of swords.

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## Miscellaneous

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Ringling-Barnum grossed \$1.2 million during its July 15-30 engagement at the Forum in Southern California. The figure represents an increase of 15% over business there last year.

CBS-TV is reportedly filming a special about thrill acts at Great Adventure Park. The show will probably be aired early next year.

## PEOPLE

THE PICCOLO's spent several days visiting with friends on the Carson & Barnes Circus last month.

ABE "Korky" GOLDSTEIN, last of the old 'Keystone Kops' is doing clown and comedy magic shows for children's parties in the Los Angeles area. He was in Clown Alley on the Ringling-Barnum show in 1919.

## REPORT

### CIRCUS EUROPA

BY BILL WALTERS

Alberto Zoppe's Circus Europa appeared at the Barton Coliseum in Little Rock, Ark. on Sept. 6th, and presented three shows. This was the 9th "Small Fry Circus" sponsored by the North Little Rock Kiwanis Club.

This was a very fine show with a well balanced program, featuring Tino Wallenda Zoppe on the high wire. Other acts included: Rev. Austin Miles (show business ringmaster); Al Leonard, singing ringmaster; Leo Mascito leading a very fine six piece band; Miss Olita, slide for life; Eddie Schmitt, 10 tigers; Bertinis and Olmedas, bikes; Clairinaka and Valla Duo, low wire; Col. K. P., comedy tank; Olmedas Horses; Olinka, swinging trapeze, upside down walk, swinging head stand; Benny Williams, elephant and ocelot; Zoppe Riding School; Erna's Chimps (roller skating, iron jaw, motorcycles); two rings of elephants with Eddie Schmitt and Buckles Woodcock; the Rossini Rocket Car.

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## Miscellaneous

The Diamond Variety Circus, featuring David Upton and his uncaged mountain lion, played a Sept. 19th engagement at Independence, Kansas.

The 42nd National Gathering Convention of the CMB will be held at West Friendship, Md. the week of July 12-19, 1981.

The Alberto Zoppe produced "Circus Europa" played to big crowds at Little Rock, Ark., on Sept. 6th.

# HOTLINE

Sept. 14 - A Circus Vargas semi, traveling between Mt. Prospect and Homewood, Ill., went off the Kennedy Expressway. Local officials report several small lead stock animals, zebra, llama, etc., were killed in the crash. The driver apparently suffered only minor injuries and at press time it was not known just how extensively the truck was damaged.

Earlier while in the Chicago area a show elephant broke its leg. An operation, assisted by 7 veterinarians, was performed and it is reported that the animal is doing very well.

## in the NEWS

### TARZAN RIGHT'S CASE

The heirs of author Edgar Rice Burroughs have lost an appeal of a federal judge's refusal to block Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer from making a new "Tarzan" movie pending resolution of a copyright infringement suit.

The MGM remake of "Tarzan, The Ape Man" is scheduled to start filming this month with Bo Derek starring as "Jane."

The Burroughs heirs filed suit last May, seeking to have MGM enjoined from making the film on grounds that it did not purchase licensing rights.

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FROM WILLIAM WOTSCH

Reading about the death of Duncan Renaldo brings to mind the time that he (The Cisco Kid) and Leo Carillo (Pancho) appeared at the Cleveland Arena in a rodeo, around 1957 or so.

The floor was covered with dirt and we had our usual cattle wire around the hockey fence. The Cisco Kid in his dark western outfit and Pancho, wearing that Mexican hat, rode all around the arena floor as the kids were screaming their names.

After the performance the kids would line up for autographs in front of the arena. Both of the men would sign their names and have fun talking with the kids. It was obvious the two men liked children.

Even in the evenings after they left the arena they'd put on little western skits at the local eating places. They would wander in, shake hands with the people and do little fun and games things. Everyone certainly enjoyed it and I think the feeling was mutual.

Now, both are gone, but their fans will always remember them. Of course, in 1956 the Cisco Kid was featured with the Clyde Beatty Circus.

## in the NEWS

### DAREDEVIL INJURED

Gary Wells, a motorcycle daredevil attempting a feat that defied Evel Knievel, crashed in to a wall after a 170 foot leap over the fountains at Caesar's Palace in Las Vegas (Sep. 15) and suffered serious injuries.

Hospital officials said they were "optimistic" about his survival. He suffered a tear in the main artery of his heart, broke both legs, fractured his pelvis and has a concussion.

The 23 year old motorcyclist had completed the jump when his bike hit the edge of the landing ramp, skidded along the parking lot and crashed into the wall. Six spectators were injured when they fell 15 feet as the wall gave way.

The jump was being filmed for TV's "That's Incredible" show.

Earlier this year Steve Lewis was injured during a filming for that show. He had made several successful jumps over speeding cars, then as he attempted to jump over two he apparently missed his timing and was injured.

Several years ago Evel Knievel tried to jump over the fountains at Caesar's Palace but failed. He suffered numerous broken bones at that time.

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## SPECIAL

### THE WEATHER

The Weather Bureau reports that most of the nation can expect mild temperatures and an increase in rain through mid-October. The eastern portion of the country will have above normal temperatures, while in the west temperatures will be below normal. Rain can be expected through the mid-west, the deep south and along the Atlantic shoreline.

**BILLY BARTON (Continued)**

DEWSBURY to visit the Hanneford Circus during its Purchase (NY) Arts Festival Date, arriving moments after I had left to drive to Cape Cod. . . In speaking with June as I write this, she was off on another outing with Frank to see the B'way show "Home", joined also by RICHARD GRAYSON, one-time manager of "Disney On Parade". . . Little NELLIE HANNEFORD isn't so little anymore - has grown quite tall and is filling out in all the expected places. In addition to working in the elephant number, she is also doing a bird act and riding menage. And, in the elephant number believe it or not is CHERYL JONES, looking quite glamorous and doing an excellent job. MARK KAROLY works the elephant act riding horseback and then the horse is taken out and he does a series of spectacular routines including a back somersault while one bull is rolling a barrel and, of course, the somersault from teeterboard to elephant's head. Mark has become quite an exciting ring personality with a distinctive style all his own. . . The ROLLS DUO will spot date on Hanneford this fall and SATANI DEMON will play the Baltimore date

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where the fire laws have finally, after several years, been relaxed so he can. He was booked for the date before but wasn't allowed to appear. . . With the Hanneford Circus at the Big E for WAYNE McCAREY were Albert and Jeanette Rix, the Great Huberto, and the Quassars. . . After a series of fall dates GAY-LORD and BELINDA MAYNARD are back

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**BILLY BARTON (Continued)**

with Hanneford for the fall tour. . .HEINZ SHAPPI, now in Texas, played DC for Emmett Kelly, Jr. and then went to some fair dates in New Jersey. . . .

Joining the restauranteers (Jeanette Bale in Venice, The Barredas in Edmond, Okla) are the CAVARETTAS with a family restaurant in Las Vegas called "La Caretta" which is a charming, intimate Mexican eatery complete with strolling crooners. . .Word is that BEN WILLIAMS will be in the west to film "Circus of The Stars" with four elephants. . . Scheduled for the Gil Gray Circus at the Dallas Fair are Jimmy Hall, the Luvas Family, the Gutis, Carmen Hall, and the Fossett's bike act. . .WALLY ROSS returned to L.A. after five months in Florida where he trained an elephant to water ski, then he flew east to catch the Vargas show in the Chicago area. . .THOMAS K. SCALLEN is prexy of the arenic division of the new Beatty-Cole operation. That show's first indoor stanza will be at Pittsburgh, Oct. 29. . .RBBB posted its first-ever \$1.2 million gross at the

Forum, a 15% increase over 1979 and a 50% increase in walk-up biz. . . 'Disney On Ice,' the new Feld show, opened in Las Vegas in Aug.

The GUERRERO high wire troupe copped the big notices in RBBB's L.A. preem. . The Nugget in Reno bowed its new little elephant named after its predecessor Tina. . SIEGFRIED & ROY are back at the Stardust after a holiday and a whirlwind trek that took them from New York to Miami, the Bahamas, and the Far East in preparation for their 2nd NBC-TV Special. While attending the Tony Award winning musical 'Barnum' the pair were inundated with autograph seekers. Their special is scheduled for a November taping in Las Vegas and for airing after the first of the new year. Recently they made their motion picture debut in "Looking To Get Out" starring ANN-MARGARET and JON VOIGHT. A portion of their illusion act will be featured in the flick which is due out next winter.

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## REPORT

### MILLETTE AMATEUR CIRCUS

BY BOB STODDARD

The 8th annual Millette Amateur Circus took place on the Mattock Day Care Center lot in Mesquite, Texas, on Sept. 6th.

Handicapped children from ten special schools were invited and, for the first time, senior citizens attended from several nursing homes.

The show was performed in the two pole red, white and blue home-made tent with one ring and two outriggers which allows for three aerial acts to be performed at the same time.

This year, high winds furnished many problems and a weak turnbuckle almost caused serious ones. All were overcome, but resulted in a 15 minute late start.

A new feature added to the midway was four curved mirrors which added some excitement before the show.

Free lemonade and popcorn were provided by the Ed Millette Tent No. 5, CFA. More than 300 bags of popcorn and 500 cups of lemonade, as well as one hundred 18" circus balloons were given to the small children.

The show opened with a count of 340 people and the women on the front door said that they were coming in all through the show.

Barbara Hunter, music coordinator, started the music; Loncy Leake, ringmaster, introduced Rev. Victor Hunter who blessed the show and gave the invocation, and the opening spec "The Parade of Flags" was on.

The first act was obviously the star of the show - Wayne Borden, who stands on his head on a swinging trapeze - a feat first performed by Ed Millette (the tent's namesake), who was

a Dallas boy who ran away and joined the circus in 1884, when he was 8 years old.

Other excellent trapeze performances were by Fearless Fred Colson and a beautiful and graceful performance by Shelley Birchfield. A double trapeze act with Shane Evans on upper and Tammy Treadway on lower traps.

Harry Jenkins (who was also canvas boss) juggled and did a whip act with the assistance of Cindy Treadway and "oh my gosh" the clown

In retrospect, I can see that we were in for a different kind of treat when five "kids" walked around the arena in the opening spec. Two of these "kids" (Children) dressed as clowns, were 8 year old Terri Lynne Cromeens and her 5 year old brother Chris, who each led a "kid" (baby goat) on a leash, followed by their 3 year old cousin Jeff Cromeens who dragged a large mesh bag containing aluminum cans and a large label stating "Goatfood"

No actor could duplicate the facial expressions of this miniature, 3 year old clown, as he followed his instructions to "follow Terri and Chris." The unconcerned - to blaze - to pained expressions were priceless.

Their act was with the goats who were supposed to "climb up on anything". Their refusal to re-act as predicted and what they chose to do instead was hilarious. One bit a hole through the outside of Terri's hip pocket and throughout the act real goat food filtered out thru the hole and Terri had trouble getting them in front of her.

When the act was over and the roustabouts were removing the objects that the goats had refused to climb upon, the goats decided that they did want to climb on them afterall. I hesitate to use the word to describe an act, but

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**AMATEUR CIRCUS (Continued)**

several people said it was "darling."

The clown unit was in charge of Jackie Jenkins "Oh My Gosh", a 1971 graduate of the Ringling Clown College. Other clowns were James "Jimbow" Decker, Carol "Freckles" Evans, Billy Baker, Geoff Cox, Dan Treadway and Adrienne Wilson.

Janice Hendricks did a high ladder and web act, Elaine Evans was on the Spanish web, Unicycles were by Danny Burke, Shawn Miller and Vanna Walker. An exhibition of rope spinning was presented by Geoff Cox. The swinging ladders featured Stephanie Cox, Elizabeth Hunter, Kay Burke, Lisa Birchfield and Lisa Plunk. The tumblers were Kay Burke, Elizabeth Hunter, Lisa Plunk, Lisa Birchfield, Janice Hendricks and Tammy Treadway. The closing spec "Salute to Children" with a special band arrangement of "Jesus Loves the Little Children" with all of the small children from the audience who were dressed in clown costumes and had clown make-up on singing "Jesus Loves Me," was a moving experience. The front door was handled by Mary Lee as a greeter in ringmaster costume. Elaine Cro-

meens was in charge of the popcorn and lemonade with helpers Lou Flowers Stoddard and Betty Leake.

Tommy Randolph was the official photographer. The combination roustabout-canvas crew, who put the tent up and down and back in the barn, was headed by Bill Hooper, and included Harry Jenkins, David Evans, Herman Pease, Jim Decker, Bob Stoddard, Jeff Cromeens and Vanus Walker.

The above names belong to the people whose aching backs could barely muster enough combined strength to close the barn doors when the last piece was put away at 10:15 p.m. They don't remember much about the following day but they do remember that they'd never could have made it without the help received from Troop 108, Boy Scouts of America, Mesquite, Texas, under Scoutmaster Wayne Meeker.

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