

Circus Trainer With Her Pet



Miss Bobby Cornet, one of the Walter L. Main elephant trainers, with one of her several gigantic pets.

In the wee small hours of the day, Charleston was invaded by a world of strange peoples, roaring lions, chattering monkeys, scampering clowns, mountainous elephants, tooting calliopes, blaring bands, vending venders and the colossus of tented entertainments. Walter L. Main and his big three-ring circus.

The vicinity of King and Simmons streets in the early morning presented a sight that is quite unusual and throngs of men, women and children gathered about the tracks of the Southern railroad to watch the unloading of the circus trains. The first section arrived shortly after 4 a. m., and the second section bearing the sleeping cars, elephants and performers pulled into the yards about an hour later.

With the first faint rays of daylight the circus workmen began the work of unloading the cargo of world's wonders and in short time the first section was devoid of its contents and the second section pulled into place. Red wagons filled with properties and equipment rumbled thru the streets enroute to the circus grounds on Meeting street and canvas covered dens of wild animals trailed along in processional order. The hollow rumbling of the circus wagons in many instances awaking the populace in the vicinity of the circus grounds and along the route that the wagons were being hauled to the canvas city's site.

Better than Ever

Walter L. Main Circus now on its 47th annual tour brings to Charleston this season a newer, a bigger, and more pretentious circus than perhaps the public have thought possible of assemblage beneath one single title, and old timers in the city recall the last visit of this big show, some twenty-two years ago, remarking about the calibre of the performance given at that period. The Walter L. Main Circus has grown, and in keeping with the advance of civilization and commercial ideas the circus management has fallen into line, and each season has endeavored to present a more novel and entertaining offering, this season providing a circus program that is the acme of circus achievements.

The circus performance savors of all the ingredients of the circus world, there being herds of elephants, trained horses, acrobats, trapeze artists, dainty, petite and graceful lady and gentlemen bareback riders, troupes of dogs, ponies and monkeys, and of course, a circus would not be complete without the circus clown, and Walter L. Main has assembled some 40 odd funmakers, grotesque and laugh provokers, the cream of clownland, headed by the incomparable dean of clowns, Harry La' Pearl.

In the three rings for two hours we find the dazzling bewildering, swiftly moving panorama of circus talent, acts that have never before been seen beneath a circus tent and brought to this country this season under exclusive appearance contract with this show. Feature after feature comprise the offering and not one single individual or collective number is not up to the standard or requirement of the circus management.

In the big triple sized menagerie we find animals from every clime, from the forest regions of darkest Africa to the frigid regions of the Arctic, and in the side shows and annex department we find freaks of nature that have been gathered from every corner of the universe by the representatives of this massive aggregation, unbelievable freaks and the strangest of people.

Street Parade

The circus street parade was given as advertised, the circus management making every effort to provide this feature of the program in spite of the delayed arrival of the second section of the circus trains. There were blaring bands, beautiful allegorical floats, tooting calliopes, mounted escorts and open and closed dens of rare and wild animals, and as it traversed the principle streets about noon hour, the sidewalks were lined with people who watched with eagerness and interest this display. The parade was creditable to the efforts and endeavors of the circus management and represented an outlay of a small fortune for gold leaf and wardrobe.

The doors to the circus open at 7 p. m. with performance starting at 8 p. m., while for one hour prior to the starting of the circus program Prof. Griffin's Circus Concert Band will render a program of musical numbers of both classical and popular selections.

The Walter L. Main Circus is a clean, high class and most entertaining organization, its program containing numerous features that are outstanding and worthy of special mention, yet in justice to the circus as we find it we must say that every artist, every performer, every attache and executive of the big show were refined, cultured and high class personages, and that Walter L. Main Circus will be long remembered in Charleston for the performance it has given, for the caliber of the organization as a whole and will be welcomed back in future years. We hope Walter L. Main will not remain away as long in the future as he has in the past and that when he comes into our territory in future seasons he will not overlook Charleston in his routings.

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warning supporters to be alert for possible serious developments in the near future.

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On Monday, President Masaryk gave an interview to the newspaper

Frager's Tagblatt, denouncing the

fascists as a pathological society

consisting of the dregs and refuse

of the state, and calling them manufacturers

of political fairy tales. The

German minorities in Czechoslovakia have a duty as well as a right

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Plan To Widen Streets.

Spartanburg, Sept. 10. (P.)—Plans are under way for the widening of North Church and East Main streets, two of Spartanburg's most important thoroughfares. Petitions are being circulated among property holders, and it is said that the response to the movement has been excellent.

Walterboro, Sept. 10.—The schools over the county are beginning to open for their fall term. Some

started Monday of this week and others will begin next Monday.

Quite a few changes have been made in the teaching forces of

these schools, and several schools have consolidated, and are no longer being taught.

Smoaks consolidated high school

had its opening exercises last Friday morning but decided on a

week's further delay so that the

pupils might be used to assist in

picking cotton for another week.

The term will begin next Monday

morning. Supt. Ralph Durham is

superintendent of this school. Mrs.

Atrella Dennis, Miss Galdys Smith,

Miss Grace Miley, Branchville, mu-

seum; Mrs. E. S. Bowden, grammar

school; Mrs. F. Vernon Sauls, Mrs. F.

J. Berry, Mrs. John Hulins, Mrs. F.

W. Campbell, Miss Gertrude Campbell.

The Lodge high school began

Sunday morning of this week with

Supt. W. E. Willis in charge. Other

members of the faculty are Prof.

Mrs. O. W. Goodwin, Miss Letha Ulmer,

Miss E. F. Willis, Miss Louise Cone.

The Hendersonville graded school

will begin its fall term next Monday.

Prof. E. W. Hunt again heads

the faculty of this school, and he

will be assisted by the following

teachers, all of whom taught at

Hendersonville last year: Mrs. Ida

Lee Speights, Miss Kathleen Bar-

rett, Monteith, Gass, Miss Mary

Brown, Milner, Gah, Miss Campbell.

The Russin high school, with

Prof. R. G. Padgett at its head, be-

gan its fall term Monday. The as-

sistant teachers are Messrs. Walee

Williams, Albert Kinard, Mrs. E. E.

Williams, Miss Reba Carter, Miss

Capie Appleby.

The Islandton graded school en-

rolled pupils on the 8th preparatory

Monday. The teachers of this school

will be Mrs. N. C. Polk, Miss Lena

Mac Crosby, Miss Ruth Crosby, Miss

The Stokes graded school will be-

gin the Mondays with Prof. Percy A.

Garris as principal, Mrs. John W.

Saunders and Mrs. Lalla B. Strick-

land, assistant.

The exact date for the Cannady's

school has not yet been announced.