

"ROLL OVER, PET" . . . Terrell Jacobs, noted lion tamer, has one of the big cats do his stuff. He once appeared with 150 animals in one of Johnny Weismuller's "Tarzan" pictures.

AT THE CIRCUS

Lion Tamer Has 538 Stitches Where Big Cats Clawed and Bit

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WNU Features.

There is no doubt that the lion reigns as the king of beasts, says Terrell Jacobs of Barnes Brothers circus which opened its summer swing in the Chicago stadium. On the question, Jacobs who has broken over 500 beasts in 26 years, is even led to philosophize a little.

The lion is king, says Jacobs, because the Creator made him to be king by supplying him with a great bushy mane underneath his neck which prevents other beasts from ripping his jugular vein while he claws them to pieces.

Expert that he is, Jacobs has had his close calls in the cage and he can show 538 stitches on his body to prove it. Where the scarred flesh is depressed, that's where he was bitten, and where it's jagged, that's where he was clawed.

No less than 54 wounds were inflicted up in Minneapolis, Minn., where a leopard, frightened by the collapse of a wall of the arena, leaped from its stand and mauled Jacobs around before it was driven off. On another occasion, one lion came at him in Peru, Ind., and three others joined in to clamor atop of him before one cat came to his rescue and snapped at his attackers.

"No, it wasn't any case of loyalty," he adds. "The rescuer just saw a good chance to rip into some of the others it didn't like."

Cats Are Not Loyal.
Cracking his whip and firing his .38 revolver, Jacobs enters the huge circular cage to get the roaring and snarling cats to climb up onto their stands and sit, and then clamber down to lie down in a cluster before him. While shaggy "Sammy" walks a tight-rope and rolls a barrel to him, "Sheba" rises on her haunches to follow Jacobs in a ponderous waltz.

Born to the circus, the stocky, muscular Jacobs is the coolest person in the house when he steps into the cage. Precisely because of the danger which confronts him with each performance and the prime importance of headwork in handling beasts, he must remain cool to assure his own safety.

Young Ones Easily Injured.
When it comes to taming lions and tigers, headwork plays the chief role, Jacobs says. By studying the antics of a cat, a trainer can obtain a knowledge of its peculiarities and then strive to counteract them. For instance, when Jacobs first sought to teach a lion to roll a barrel to him, the cat would slide off the sloping end and upset it. Failing to get the animal to push the barrel ahead, Jacobs then fastened an angle iron flange around the center to cut into the dirt and hold it straight. In that way the lion was taught to keep an even course.

In training lions, Jacobs starts

American Circus Is 100 Years Old

The great circuses of America are on tour again, just as they have done for more than 100 years. And again they include equestrian exhibitions, gymnastic and acrobatic performances, with variety added by the quips and fooling of the clown.

The modern circus dates from the close of the 18th century. Traveling circuses were heard of before 1830 in both England and America, and after 1850 assumed great dimensions. Among the earlier ones were Hengler's, Sanger's, and Barnum and Bailey's. Col. William F. Cody (Buffalo Bill) and his Wild West show traveled all over the world and gave performances before the crowned heads of Europe.

Now a Big Business.
The construction of permanent circuses known as coliseums and hippodromes has given new life to the circus, furnishes a variant on the itinerant show of enormous dimensions which moves about the country on special railway trains.

Barnum and Bailey's circus is still in existence, and along with Barnes Bros., Beatty's, and others, continues the grand tour every summer. The 1946 season is expected to be one of the biggest in history, since most circuses were unable to travel during the war years.

Wild animals, most of them trained to perform for the crowds, continue to be the foundation of most circuses.

ed to furnish the laborers with meat. Known throughout the West, Cody had a ranch near North Platte, Nebr., and later went to Wyoming where he helped establish the Shoshone irrigation project. The town of Cody, Wyo., is named for him.

Most people will remember Cody, however, for his great Buffalo Bill's Wild West show. A parade always preceded each showing, with Cody riding at the head of it, his long white hair about his shoulders.

Buffalo Bill Born 100 Years Ago

William F. Cody, the colorful scout and showman who became world famous as "Buffalo Bill," was born in Scott county, Iowa, in 1846, 100 years ago. He died in 1917, and is buried near Denver, Colo.

Cody began his career in 1860 as a rider for the Pony Express, later joining the Union Army as a cavalry scout during the Civil war. During the construction of the Union Pacific railroad across the plains west of Omaha, he contract-



KITTEN . . . Jacobs, who as a boy ran away from his home in Peru, Ind., to join the circus, is shown here holding a young circus cat.

In These United States

June Again Set for National Dairy Week in United States

With production and distribution of milk at the highest levels in history, "Dairy Month" is celebrating its tenth anniversary through the month of June. Again the dairy industry calls attention of the public to the vital part played by milk and dairy products in America.

In the beginning, however, the observance was neither a "month" nor was it June. In 1937 the dairy industry promoted a national milk week for November 14 to 20 in an effort to sell more milk and ice cream. Everyone was urged to purchase an extra quart of milk on Friday of that week. It was not until 1939 that dairymen, fountain operators and others decided to promote dairy products one month of the year. June was selected because it is the time of year when milk production is the greatest.

Milk cows were first brought to America in 1611 for the Jamestown colony. In 1624 a few cows arrived for the Plymouth colony. The first regular shipment of milk by rail was inaugurated in 1841, from Orange county to New York City.

Pasteur experiments were started in 1856, and since that time the dairy industry has made rapid progress. The milk bottle was not invented by Dr. Hervey D. Thatcher of Potsdam, N. Y., until 1884.

Fluid milk was not included in the army diet until 1933, but during World War II the use of milk and dairy products by the armed forces was a must.

Trade Idaho Spuds For Rica Bananas

BOISE, IDAHO.—The fast motorships on the Caribbean run, which bring bananas to the United States, take Idaho potatoes back to Costa Rica, says C. G. Rice, Idaho advertising commission, who visited Central America recently.

Idaho housewives who buy Costa Rican bananas as soon as they arrive have nothing on the women of Central America who await shipments of Idaho potatoes just as eagerly.

Rice checked several shipments of the potatoes and found that they arrived at Costa Rica in first-class condition and the trade there thought them up the minute they were put on the market.



150 YEARS OLD . . . Not the girl above, but the city of Cleveland, Ohio. Mary Dublin, blue-eyed and 21, has been crowned Sesquicentennial Queen to reign over Cleveland's 150th birthday anniversary this year.

College Students Taller than GIs

BERKELEY, CALIF.—In the western part of the United States, the average young woman is 5 feet, 3 1/4 inches tall and weighs 127 pounds, while the average male is 5 feet, 8 3/4 inches in height and weighs 153 1/4 pounds.

These averages were gathered in a measurement survey by Dr. Theodore D. McCown, University of California anthropologist, for the committee on prosthetic devices of the National Research council. The study was made to obtain average arm and leg measurements, and the standard statistics obtained will be used in the improvement of artificial limbs.

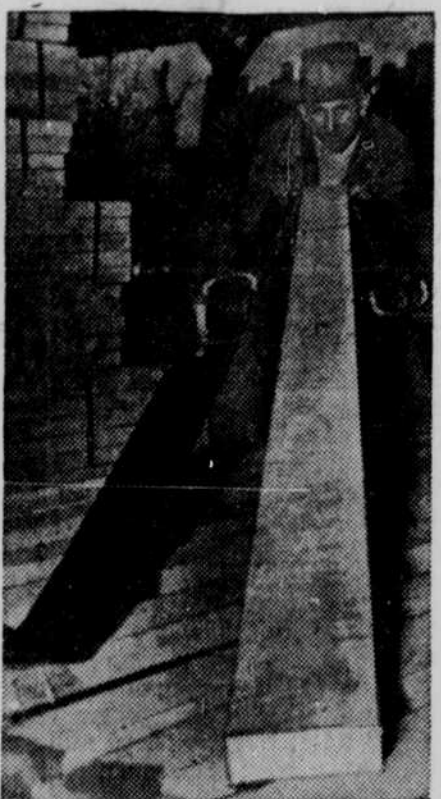
The 1,000 young women measured were college students and WAVES.

Men measured included 800 soldiers and sailors, 700 college students, and 300 males from the general population. Greater differences were found among the college students than among the soldiers and sailors. College students were about one inch taller and two and one-quarter pounds heavier than military personnel.

'Sailors Have a Girl in Every —'

CHICAGO.—A bluejacket recently walked into a Loop candy store and bought 14 boxes of candy. He left instructions to have them sent to 14 different girls in all parts of the U. S.

When he was asked if it's true that a sailor "has a girl in every port," he grinned but was non-committal.



SKI BILLEES . . . White hickory, used for making Norwegian skis, grows in Florida, the tropical playground state. J. S. Adkinson of Ocala, Fla., is shown sizing up ski "billees" before shipping to Norwegian manufacturers.

"Off We Go" AVIATION NOTES

AIRPORT CHATTER

A municipal airport has been approved and licensed at Plainwell, Mich. . . . Use of Lamesa field, Lamesa, Texas, as a municipal airport for that city has been allowed on a temporary basis. . . . Some 48 CAA towers are now guarding the 131.9 megacycle for private flyers and the number will be increased to 100 by June 1. . . . Remember, July 1 is the deadline for the annual inspection of aircraft by the CAA. Owners or operators of un-inspected aircraft will be subject to penalties of the civil air regulations after that date. . . . Howard W. Sinclair, who has been with CAA since 1942, has been appointed assistant administrator for aviation training. . . . Col. Fred M. Glass, wartime chief of staff for the Pacific division, ATC, has been appointed vice president in charge of PCA's southern region.

Students of meteorology, cloud formations and other aeronautical subjects at the Midlothian elementary school, Tinley Park, Chicago, are given a plane ride by Lester Palmer, their teacher.

SOLOS BY ITSELF!

At Fremont, Neb., recently a pilotless plane took off by itself when its engine was left running. For nearly three hours it flew over Nebraska and finally landed 42 miles from its take-off point with only a damaged wing and tail and a broken propeller—and its gas tank empty.

OWNS AN AIR FORCE

Paul Mantz, a Californian who learned to fly about 20 years ago, owns more airplanes than any of the smaller nations! His 509 planes make him the seventh largest air power in the world. He recently purchased 475 surplus planes from the U. S. government, but plans to cut his fleet down to about 110 planes. Paul holds the world's outside loop record — 45 in succession. His planes are used for special trips of all kinds.

Ex-Army Pilot Leases Field

The Gettysburg, S. D., city council has given management of the municipal landing field, south of Gettysburg, to Bob Clark, ex-army pilot.

PIPER PA-12 . . . Carries three passengers. Has 100 hp motor and cruising speed of 100 to 105 mph.

SOURCE BOOK FOR FLYERS

A guide in teaching aviation to youngsters, "Aviation Education Source Book," prepared under direction of Dr. Paul R. Hanna, Stanford university, for CAA is now available. It contains 1,400 pages and more than 1,000 photographs. But it costs \$8.00 a copy!

Twenty students are enrolled in the flight training course at the University of Arkansas. The course includes both ground work and flight training.

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STAGE SCREEN RADIO
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By VIRGINIA VALE

WHEN Penny Singleton and Arthur Lake hit New York they just never stopped going; the stars of the movie's "Blondie" series and the CBS Sunday show are popular young people, and some of the season's nicest parties were given for them. "I haven't seen anything of New York, really," said Penny. "And what do you think happened to me? I gave my clothes to the hotel valet to press, and I guess 'Dagwood



PENNY SINGLETON

did my black crepe dress; it was pressed up and down instead of across, so now it's a lot longer than it was, and so tight that I look just like a sausage in it!" But with that cute face and wide smile, nothing could spoil her looks.

When you see Paramount's "The Imperfect Lady," look at the driver of the carriage in which Teresa Wright and Virginia Field ride. He's George Jenner, who was carriage footman to Queen Victoria for two years, 1892 to 1894, the period in which "The Imperfect Lady" is set. He met arriving foreign potentates and conducted them to Buckingham palace. So it's practically type casting.

"If at first you don't succeed, try, try again" and think of Ray Milland. The world seems to be his since he made "Lost Week-End," but he made three trips from London to Hollywood before he finally hit his stride as a film actor.

For a brief Shakespearean episode with Sonny Tufts and Michael Chekov in "Cross My Heart," Paramount rented a set from John Carradine which he is reported to have purchased for \$50. Paramount paid Carradine \$400 a week.

When George Burns and Gracie Allen take their summer vacation—June 6 to August 29—Meredith Willson will carry on for the summer, with the King Sisters and Ben Gay.

If you're interested in the career of a prospective Warner Bros. star, don't miss seeing Dorothy Malone in "Janie Gets Married"; she's one of eight players being groomed for stardom. She also has a leading role in "Cry Wolf," in which Errol Flynn and Barbara Stanwyck star.

Irene Rich, who makes her first film appearance after five years' absence from the screen in Republic's "The Angel and the Outlaw," owns and operates a 1,000 acre ranch near San Bernardino, Calif.

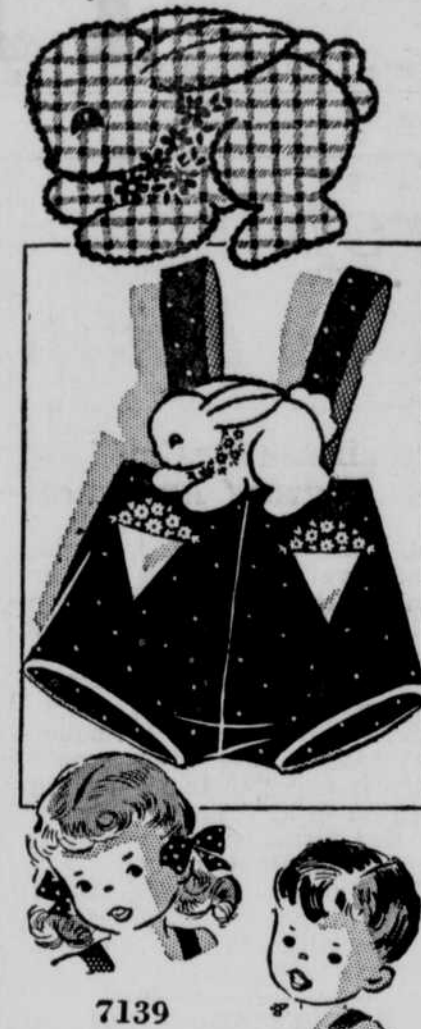
You'll see Ann Richards walk up a staircase, turn and go out of sight in "The Searching Wind." That was the last shot of the day, and the company ganged up on her; Director William Dieterle asked her to do it once more. So up the stairs and out of view went the blonde star. Then she came back, and found that while she was on her way up the whole company had quietly beat it.

Bill Edwards recently introduced his screen self to his fiancée, Hazel Allen—took her to a Paramount projection room where "Our Hearts Were Young and Gay" was being run off. And she confessed that she'd come to see the picture some time ago, after a hard day at the doctor's office where she's an assistant, but couldn't remember anything about it; seems she slept right through it!

Frank Readick told this one at a "Crime Doctor" rehearsal. Two elephants at the zoo were crouched back to back. When a third elephant joined them he was told to go away because they were playing. Playing what, he asked. Why, book ends!

ODDS AND ENDS—Roland Gilver, whom Paramount imported from England to play Olivia de Havilland's middle-aged suitor in "To Each His Own," returns to Hollywood to play her sister, Jean Fontaine's, father in "The Emperor Waltz." . . . Sterling Hayden's resuming his acting career at Paramount. . . . Herman Goering's jewel-encrusted hunting knife now hangs on the wall of Alan Ladd's den. . . . Evelyn Keyes lost so much weight when she had the flu that it cost Columbia plenty to remodel the clothes she wears in "The Tolson Story."

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A General Quiz

The Questions

1. President Truman's auto license is No. 5745. What does it stand for?
2. Which musical instrument, the flute, violin or piano, has the greatest range?
3. When and where will the Olympic games be resumed?
4. The amount of water in all the oceans is how many cubic miles?
5. What is the principal native race of Borneo?
6. Has the United States ever set up a price control system similar to the OPA before?
7. Geronimo, wildest and most famous of Indians, was chief of what tribe?
8. What king of England was beheaded in London in 1649?

The Answers

1. May 7, 1945, the day Germany surrendered.
2. The piano.
3. In 1948 in London.
4. Approximately 327,672,000 cubic miles.
5. The Dyaks.
6. Yes, the Committee of Suspension and Observation of the Continental Congress, designed to break Revolutionary war black marketeers.
7. The Apaches.
8. Charles I.

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