

NOTES FROM RINGLING BROS. CIRCS ANNEX BAND.

The world's greatest is running along fine, having real circus weather. The band boys were very highly entertained by Mr. Collins of Grand Rapids, Mich. The boys reported a very nice time. Mr. Collins was a member of the Annex Band at one time.

While making the run from South Bend, Ind., to Rockford, Ill., Prof. Venable, Preston Duncan and Harry Williams stopped off in Chicago. Owing to the late arrival the ball game had to be called off. There were 4,000 people waiting to see the game.

Mr. Jackson had the pleasure of meeting his mother and sister, who came to visit the show in South Bend, Ind.

John Witchell wishes to be remembered to all friends in and out of the profession.

Mr. Clifton Davis sends his regards to Joe Sudlor and Clarence Adams. Richard Jones says hello Leon Hutchinson and Charlie Ray. Please write. Clifton Davis (Pike) said hello U. S. Thomson (Slow Kid). Gates and Swinton are still with the big trick and still making a hit. Prof. Venable's band is making quite a hit with the public. Joe James would like to hear from Tom Ramsey and Duck Collins.

The band roster is as follows: Prof. Venable, baritone and director; Harry Williams, tuba; William Smith, trombone; Joe James, trombone; Bluford Palmer, alto; Alex Jackson, alto; Preston Duncan, cornet; Clifton Davis, cornet; James Fields, cornet; Neal Washington, cornet; Richard Jones, bass drum, and John Mitchell, snare drum, bells and traps.

The band and Gates and Swinton send regards to all in and out of the profession.

Mr. P. A. Venable, Preston Duncan and Harry Williams had the pleasure of witnessing the game between the Chicago American Giant and St. Louis Royal Giants, occupying box No. 54 with friends. It was one of the best games played. Mr. Sam Newman also stopped off in Chicago to witness the same game. He missed his train and was late for parade, but caught it in the downtown district.

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