

Chapter 01200 **1884**

**RINGLING BROTHERS**

Baraboo, Wisconsin



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**Mrs Marie Carmene Haskins Pierce**, wife of **Ellsworth Osborn Pierce**, was an **aerialist, with no net**, in the Ringling Brother's circus that was based in Baraboo Wisconsin but toured nationwide. They married 1/10/1920 in Detroit Michigan when she was age 31 and Ellsworth age 32.

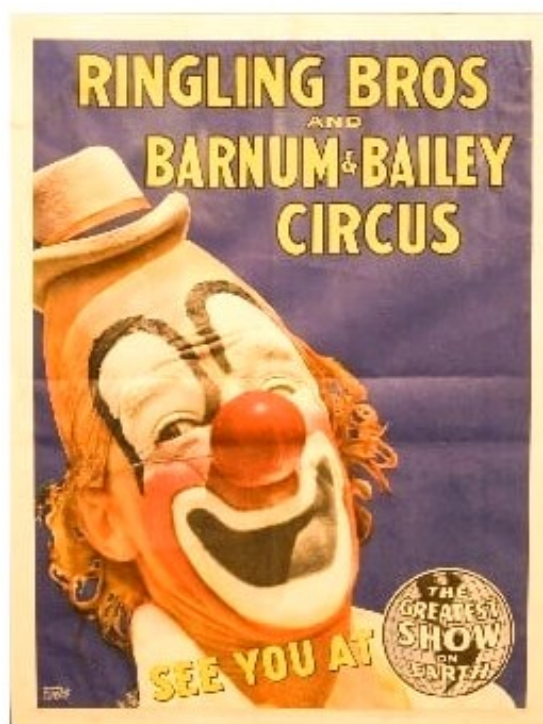
Marie used a professional name of **Rean Carmene**. She also performed with her family in the circus at county fairs. Mrs. Pierce had made her winter home in Lansing Michigan, home of Ellsworth. Marie retired 1941 at age 54.





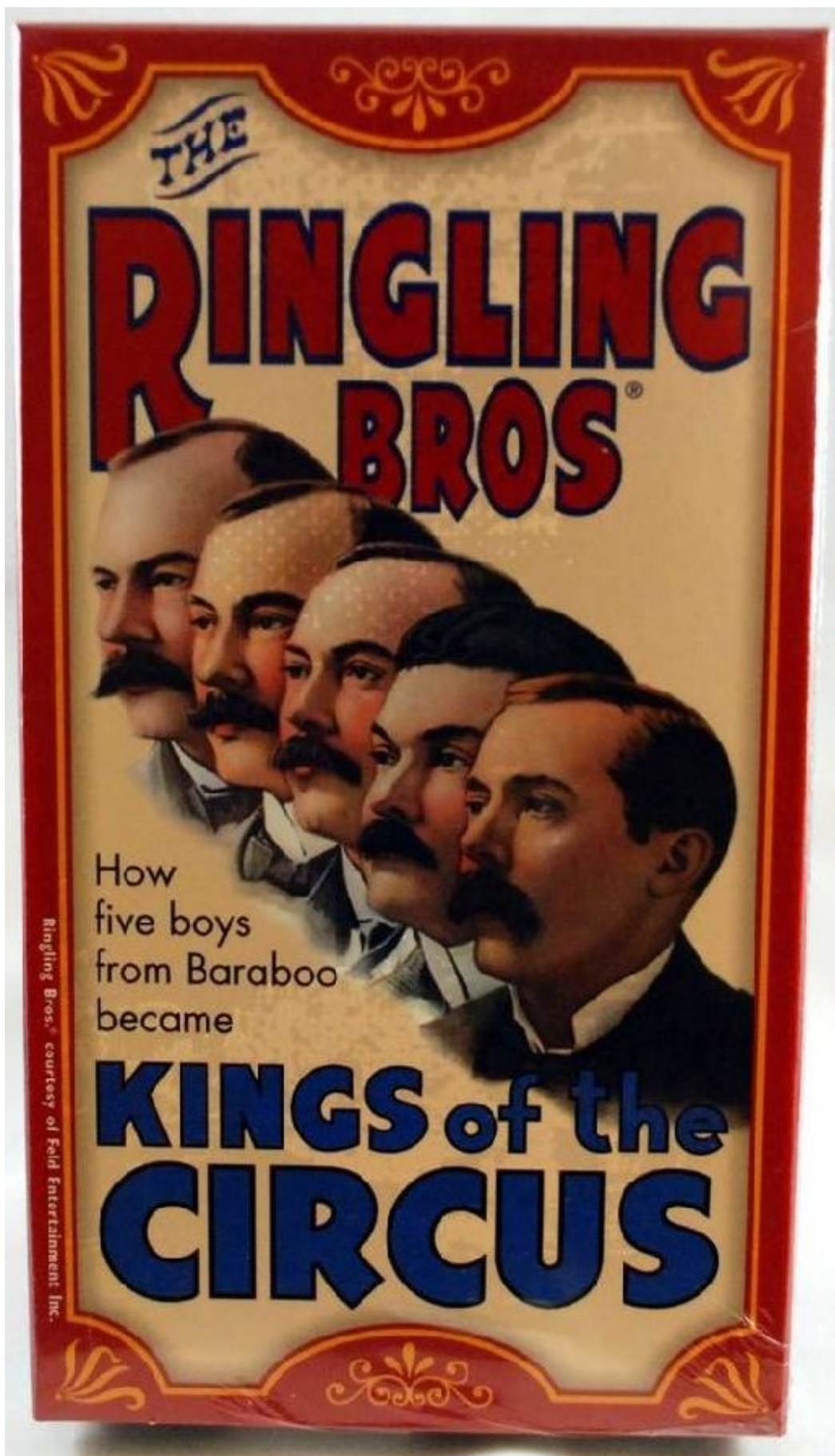


A few Pierce's from Baraboo Wisconsin were either in the show or worked there. In early 1900s.









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**In 1884, five of the seven Ringling brothers had started a small circus in Baraboo, Wisconsin**





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