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...and much more.

Did you know?

Ringling chains elephants in boxcars an average of 26 straight hours (often 60 hours) when traveling.

Promotions of Ringling ended by:

VISA, Mastercard, D’Agostino (NYC grocer), Denny’s, Sears, and others. Popularity is declining.

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