





Early Curtis spool wagon. Sells-Floto Circus Wagon No. 102, about 1915

The Canvas Spool Wagon was invented by Captain Bill Curtis, a man who did much to improve the mechanized operation of the circus and its equipment in the bygone days. He may be remembered also for his improved method in the seating of his spectators by the invention of the Circus Seat Wagon. His idea for the Canvas Spool Wagon was used by only two shows. The Sell-Floto (from which these plans were made) and

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Superintendent of Plans Note:

This plan was extensively re-drawn due to the poor quality of the original. To the degree possible the original lines were followed. Mike Dreiling, 4/18/2002

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Sells-Floto Spool Wagon Menagerie Canvas			
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