

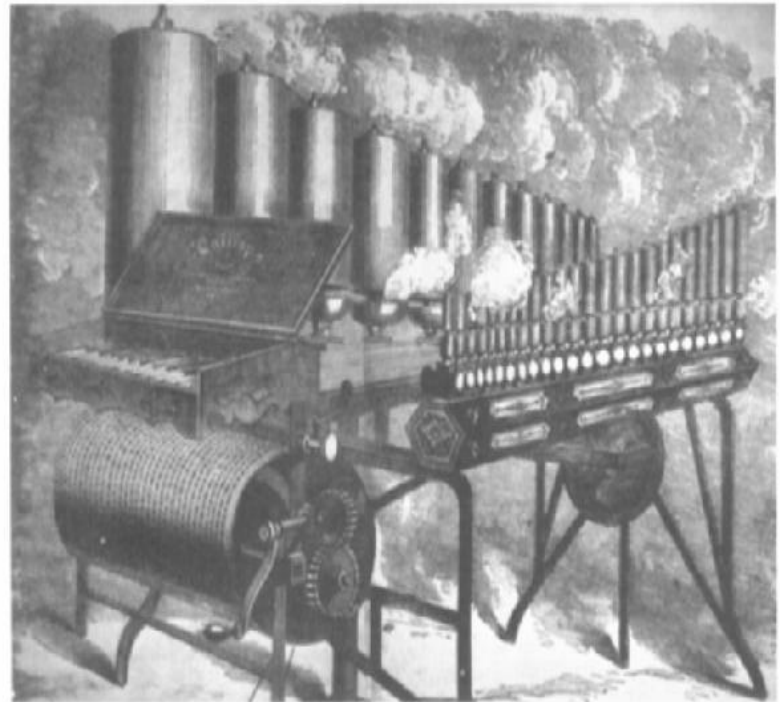
Circus Music

- A calliope is like a steam-whistle organ with a loud, shrill sound which could be heard miles away.
- It is used to get people to come to fairs or circuses
- It was invented in the United States about 1850 by A.S. Denny



THE OLD CALLIOPE

- Try to smell the steam!
- Imagine you are there.



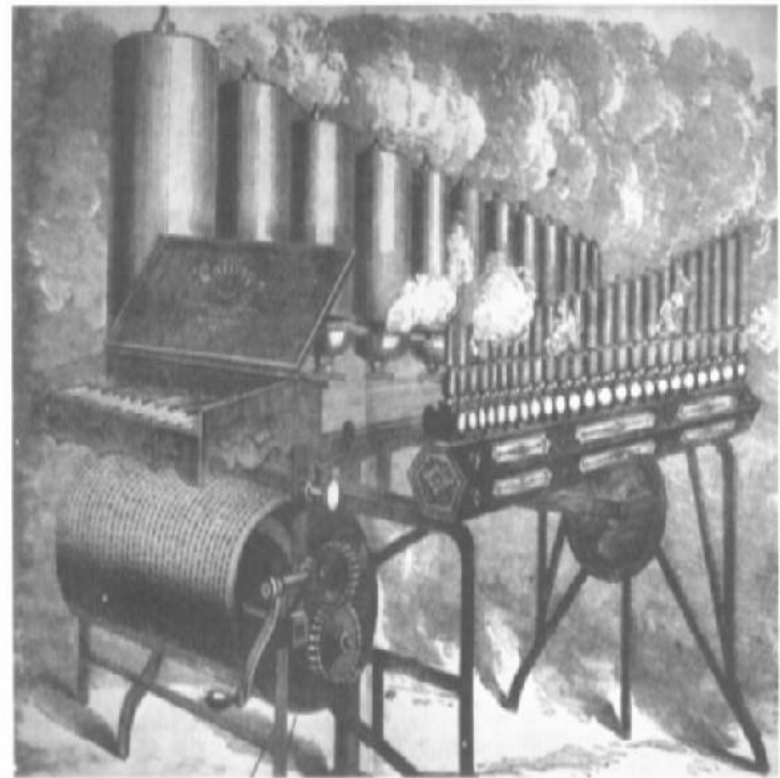
Circus Music 2

- **Band Organs,
Fairground Organs,
Carousel Organs,
Barrel Organs,
Street Organs,
Calliopes**
- **are the original
synthesizers
(keyboards) of days
gone by.**

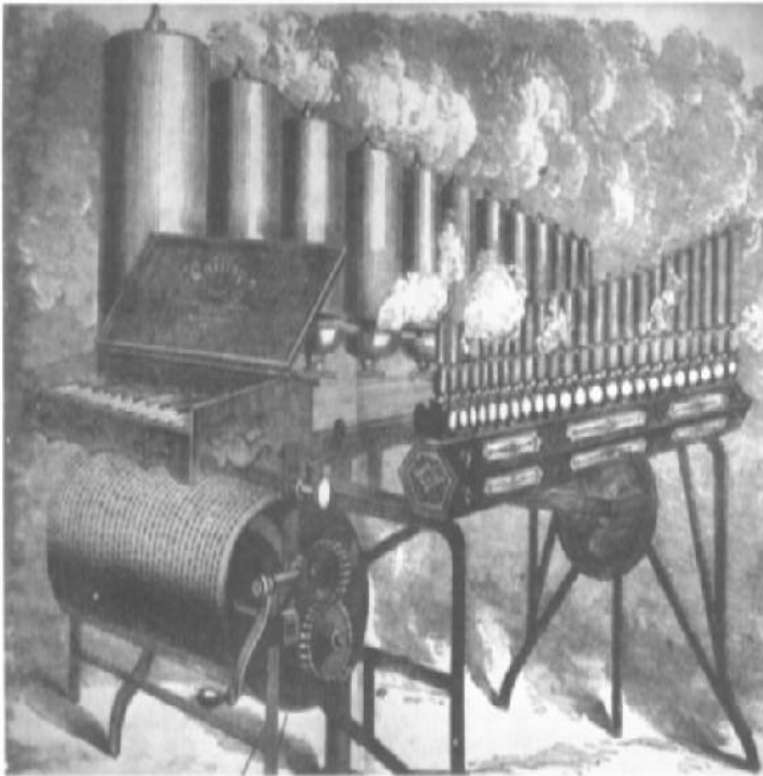


THE FIRST MECHANICAL CALLIOPE

- The first instrument had 15 whistles, attached in a row to the top of a small steam boiler. They were different sizes like the boomwhackers.
- A long cylinder had pins of different shapes driven into it and it ran along the boiler
- The pins were arranged so that when the cylinder turned they pressed the valves and blew the whistles



THE FIRST MECHANICAL CALLIOPE



- The different shapes helped the man to play long and short notes
- Later, Stoddard used a piano. Wires running from the keys to the valves enabled the operator to play the instrument like a piano."

PICTURES



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Which is the newest instrument?

Which picture is your favourite?

Listening to Circus Music

Allow time for music to load

Listen to the Circus
tune

How do you feel?

Imagine you are
marching in the big
parade. March now !



MERRY GO ROUND



A fairground organ plays as the horses go round. Have you ever had a ride on one?

Can we make fast music?

CLOWN

- What do you think the clowns are doing to the music?
- Can we think of words to describe the music?
- Can we make clown music?
- Could we make clown movements?



March of the wooden soldiers



- What instruments could we use make our own music?
- Can we move like wooden soldiers to the music?

The Circus Parade

- Dumbo entered the big top.
- This music is the Circus Parade.
- Imagine yourself walking proudly to this music



NELLY THE ELEPHANT

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To Bombay
A travelling circus came.
They brought an intelligent
elephant
and Nellie was her name

One dark night
she slipped her iron chain,
and off she ran
to Hindustan and was never seen
again



2

Night by night she danced
to the circus band.
When Nellie was leading
the big parade she looked
so proud and grand.

No more tricks for Nellie to
perform.

They taught her how to
take a bow and she took
to crowd by storm

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CHORUS

Nellie the elephant packed her
trunk
and said "Goodbye to the
Circus"
off she went with a trumpety
trump trump trump
trump

Nellie the elephant packed her
trunk
and trundled off to the
jungle
off she went with a trumpety
trump trump trump
trump

The head of the heard
was calling far, far
away
They met one night in
silver light
on the road to
Mandal,,,ey

Choose 2 instruments for your own circus parade.



claves



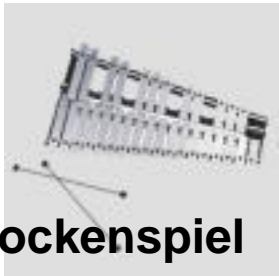
**Chime
bar**



**Boom
whackers**



drums



glockenspiel



guiro



**Indian
bells**



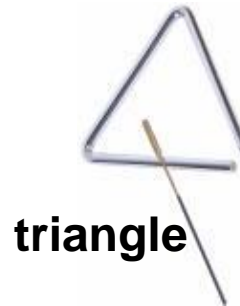
maracas



metallaphone



tambourine



triangle



xylophone

The composer of this music is

instrument



guiro



My own Circus Parade



instrument



maracas