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What's on the Air

FREQUENCIES

WIBA	1310	WCFL	1000	KMOX	1120
WHA	970	WIBU	1240	WGN	720
WLW	700	WENR	890	WIND	560
WBBM	780	WTMJ	620	WJJD	1160
WCCO	830	WMAQ	670	WLS	890

Tonight's Aces

Drama

6:30 p. m.—Easy Aces (WBBM): Jane takes a war plant job.

7 p. m. — Mr. and Mrs. North (WIBA): "The Norths and the Snowman."

7:30 p. m. — Dr. Christian (WBBM): takes part in the reuniting of a battle-scarred veteran and his financee in "Younger Generation." . . . **My Best Girls** (WLS): dabble in real estate.

8:30 p. m. — Mr. District Attorney (WIBA): "The Case of the Love Charm Murder."

10:30 p. m. — Arthur Hopkins Presents (WIBA): "Home Came the Steed" by Edith Russell, starring Sidney Blackmer.

11:30 p. m. — Author's Playhouse (WMAQ): "The Long Way Round," with Laurette Fillbrandt and Ralph Camargo.

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Quiz

8:30 p. m. — Which Is Which (WBBM): voices of Joe E. Brown, Charles Boyer, Rudy Vallee, Vera Vague, and Bonnie Baker, or their imitators, to be identified by contestants.

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Music

9 p. m. — Great Moments in Music (WBBM): excerpts from "Pagliacci."

9:30 p. m. — Nelson Eddy (WBBM): with Gloria Scott; "Til Men Again Are Free," "Tico Tico," "Lolita," "Give a Man a Horse He Can Ride." . . . **Northerners** (WGN): "Flow Gently Sweet Afton," "18th Century Drawing Room," "Il Baccio," selections from Offenbach's "The Love Song."

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Variety

7:30 p. m. — Carton of Cheer (WIBA): with Henny Youngman and Carol Bruce; "Embraceable You," "Is You Is Or Is You Ain't," "All of a sudden My Heart Sings," "Fine and Dandy."

8 p. m. — Eddie Cantor Show (WIBA): Harry Von Zell's new baby yells the family into trouble with the landlord . . . **Frank Sinatra** (WBBM): with Alec Templeton, pianist, as guest.

9 p. m. — Kay Kyser (WIBA): Georgia Carroll repeats "Christmas Song" by request.

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Thursdaytime

9:30 a. m. — Finders Keepers (WIBA): guest, Alice Marble, tennis star.

10:30 a. m. — Star Playhouse (WMAQ): new serial, "Green Light," by Lloyd C. Douglas, with Gale Page as narrator.

2:15 p. m. — Hollywood Star Time (WLS): Philip Ziegler singing "A Pretty Girl Is Like a Melody;" Gloria Delson sings "Someone to Watch Over Me."

2:30 p. m. — Tales from Far and Near (WBBM): "Fog Magic" by Julia L. Sauer, story of Nova Scotia.

3:15 p. m. — Jack Berch Show (WENR): Three Suns, instrumentalists, play Verdi's "Anvil Chorus" from "Il Trovatore;" Jack Berch sings "I Want to be Happy" and "I'm Making Believe."

WIBA TONIGHT

5:30 News Edition
5:45 Meet the Team
6:00 NBC Music Shop
6:15 NBC News of the World
6:30 Dinner Melody
6:45 NBC H. V. Kaltenborn
7:00 NBC Mr. and Mrs. North
7:30 NBC Carton of Cheers
8:00 NBC The Eddie Cantor Show
8:30 NBC Mr. District Attorney
9:00 NBC Kay Kyser College
10:00 Night News Edition
10:15 BLUE Raymond Gram Swing
10:30 NBC Arthur Hopkins Presents
11:30 NBC Design for Dancing
11:55 NBC News Report

OTHER STATIONS TONIGHT

5:00 Terry and the Pirates—WENR
5:15 Dick Tracy—WENR
5:15 Lyn Murray Orch.—WBBM
5:15 University Special—WIBU
5:15 Jimmy Allen—WGN
5:19 Billie the Brownie—WTMJ
5:30 Fiesta—WIBU
5:30 Superman—WGN
5:30 Jack Armstrong—WENR
5:45 Tom Mix—WIBU WGN
5:45 Capt. Midnight—WENR
6:00 I Love a Mystery—WCCO
6:00 Dr. Preston Bradley—WGN
6:00 Music Shop—WTMJ
6:00 Fulton Lewis, Jr.—WIBU
6:00 Jim Blade Music—WMAQ
6:05 Dinning Sisters—WBBM
6:15 Music That Satisfies—WBBM
6:30 Supper Interlude—WMAQ
6:30 Easy Aces—WBBM KMOX
6:30 Lone Ranger—WLS
6:45 Bing Sings—WIBU
6:45 H. V Kaltenborn—WMAQ
7:00 Jack Carson—WBBM WCCO
7:00 Mr. & Mrs. North—WMAQ WTMJ
7:15 Your Reporter—WIBU
7:15 Sunny Skylar—WGN
7:15 Lum and Abner—WLS
7:30 Victory Jamboree—WIBU
7:30 Dr. Christian—WBBM WCCO
7:30 My Best Girls—WLS
7:30 Stop That Villain—WGN
7:30 Carton of Cheer—WMAQ
8:00 Eddie Cantor—WTMJ WMAQ
8:00 Frank Sinatra—WBBM WCCO
8:00 Gabriel Heatter—WGN WIBU
8:00 Dunninger—WENR
8:15 Book of Melody—WIBU
8:15 Screen Test—WGN
8:30 Spotlight Bands—WENR
8:30 Mr. District Attorney — WMAQ
8:30 Cisco Kid—WGN WIBU
8:30 Which Is Which—WBBM
8:55 Storyteller—WENR
9:00 Sumner Welles—WIBU WGN
9:00 Great Moments in Music—WBBM
9:00 Kay Kyser—WTMJ WMAQ
9:15 Bundles for America—WIBU
9:30 Nelson Eddy—WBBM WCCO
9:30 Northerners—WGN
9:30 Scramby Amby—WENR
10:00 Answer Man—WGN
10:00 I Love a Mystery—WBBM
10:00 Music Shop—WMAQ
10:15 So the Story Goes—WBBM
10:30 Shep Fields—WIBU
10:30 Just for Fun—WMAQ
10:45 Carmen Cavallero—WGN
10:45 Rumpus Room—WTMJ
11:05 Petrillo and Janette—WBBM
11:15 Benny Strong—WGN
11:15 Lew Diamond Orch.—WENR
11:30 Author's Playhouse—WMAQ
11:30 Tommy Tucker Orch.—WBBM
11:30 Harmony Hall—WGN
11:30 Emil Vanda Orch.—WENR
11:45 Les Crosley Orch.—WBBM
12:00 Musical Nightcap—WMAQ
12:00 Nite Watch (to 6)—WIND
12:05 Chuck Fosler Orch.—WGN
12:05 Bill Barto Orch.—WBBM
12:15 Don Norman Show—WENR
12:30 Gene Krupa—WBBM
1:00 News and Music—WBBM

WIBA THURSDAY

MORNING

6:00 Morning Parade
6:30 News Report
6:35 Morning Variety
7:00 NBC World News Roundup
7:15 Musical Clock
7:30 State Journal News Edition
7:50 Musical Clock
8:30 Contests
8:35 Interlude
8:45 Shopping Guide
9:00 The Trading Post
9:15 Music of the Day
9:30 NBC Finders Keepers
10:00 NBC Road of Life
10:15 Melodic Interlude
10:30 News
10:40 Interlude
10:45 NBC David Harum
11:00 Linda's First Love
11:15 Mary Foster
11:30 The Farm Roundup

AFTERNOON

12:00 News Report
12:05 Farm Roundup
12:15 Farm Service
12:30 Noon News Edition
12:50 Interlude
1:00 NBC Guiding Light
1:15 NBC Today's Children
1:30 NBC Women in White
1:45 Organ Melody
2:00 NBC Woman of America
2:15 NBC Ma Perkins
2:30 News Report
2:35 Music of the Day
2:45 NBC Right to Happiness
3:00 NBC Backstage Wife
3:15 NB Stella Dallas
3:30 NBC Lorenzo Jones
3:45 NBC Young Widder Brown
4:00 Interlude
4:15 Music for School & Home
4:30 The Campus Jamboree
4:45 Accordion Parade
5:00 The WIBA Balladeers
5:30 News Edition
5:45 Meet the Team

EVENING

6:00 NBC Music Shop
6:15 Dinner Melody
6:30 NBC Bob Burns
7:00 NBC Frank Morgan
7:30 NBC Dinah Shore's Open House
8:00 NBC Music Hall
8:30 NBC Village Store
9:00 NBC Abbott and Costello
9:30 NBC Rudy Vallee Show
10:00 Night News Edition
10:15 BLUE Raymond Gram Swing
10:30 NBC Music of the New World
11:00 NBC News Report
11:05 NBC Design for Listening
11:55 NBC News Report

OTHER STATIONS THURSDAY

—MORNING—

6:00 Farm Service—WLS
6:00 Top o' The Morning—WTMJ
6:15 Everett Mitchell—WMAQ
6:30 Victory Farmers—WLS
7:00 Morning Devotions—WLS
7:00 Pats Gallicchio—WMAQ
7:01 Farm Service—WIBU
7:30 Musical Clock—WIBU
8:00 Your Neighbor—WMAQ
8:00 Musical Clock—WIBU
8:30 Breakfast Club—WLS
9:00 Valiant Lady—WBBM WCCO
9:00 My True Story—WLS
9:00 Lora Lawton—WMAQ WTMJ
9:00 Weather Forecast—WIBU
9:05 Hebrew Christian Hour—WIBU
9:15 Light of the World—WBBM
9:30 This Changing World—WBBM
9:30 Finders Keepers—WMAQ
9:35 Shady Valley Folks—WIBU
9:45 Listening Post—WLS
9:45 Bachelor's Children—WBBM
10:00 Breakfast at Sardis—WLS
10:00 Road of Life—WMAQ WTMJ
10:00 Amanda—WBBM WCCO
10:15 Second Husband—WBBM WCCO
10:15 Rosemary—WTMJ WMAQ
10:30 Star Playhouse—WMAQ WTMJ
10:30 Bright Horizon—WBBM WCCO
10:45 David Harum—WMAQ WTMJ
10:45 Aunt Jenny's Stories—WBBM
10:45 What's Your Idea?—WIBU WGN
11:00 The Editor's Daughter—WMAQ
11:00 Kate Smith Speaks—WBBM
11:00 Guiding Light—WTMJ
11:00 Martha and Helen—WLS
11:00 Boake Carter—WGN WIBU
11:15 Rhymster Time—WGN
11:15 Linda's First Love—WMAQ
11:15 Today's Children—WTMJ
11:15 Big Sister WBBM WCCO KMOX
11:20 Farm Hour—WIBU
11:30 Helen Trent—WBBM WCCO
11:30 Women in White—WTMJ
11:45 Our Gal Sunday—WBBM WCCO
11:45 Farm Front—WIBU

—AFTERNOON—

12:00 Dinnerbell Time—WLS
12:00 The Grenadiers—WTMJ
12:00 Elizabeth Hart Presents—WMAQ
12:00 Life Can Be Beautiful—WBBM
12:15 Ma Perkins—WCCO WBBM
12:30 Loop Noonday Service—WJJD
12:30 Bernadine Flynn—WBBM
12:30 Music Depreciation—WGN
12:45 The Goldbergs—WCCO WBBM
1:00 Farm Service—WIBU
1:00 Life Can Be Beautiful—WTMJ
1:00 Guiding Light—WMAQ
1:00 Joyce Jordan—WBBM WCCO
1:15 Jane Cowl—WGN
1:15 Si Hays—WIBU
1:15 The Goldbergs—WTMJ
1:15 Today's Children—WMAQ
1:15 Two On a Clue—WBBM
1:15 School Time—WLS
1:30 Woman in White—WMAQ
1:30 Glamor Manor—WLS
1:30 Dr. Malone—WBBM WCCO
1:30 Aunt Jenny's Stories—WTMJ
1:45 Hymns of All Churches—WMAQ
1:45 Perry Mason—WBBM KMOX
1:45 Real Life Stories—WIBU
2:00 Morton Downey—WLS
2:00 Mary Marlin—WBBM WCCO
2:00 A Woman of America—WMAQ
2:00 Words and Music—WIBU
2:15 Tena and Tim—WBBM WCCO
2:15 Ma Perkins—WTMJ WMAQ
2:15 Hollywood Star Time—WLS
2:15 Palmer House Orch.—WIBU
2:30 Pepper Young—WMAQ WTMJ
2:30 Ida Bailey Allen—WGN
2:30 School of the Air—WBBM
2:45 Right to Happiness—WMAQ
2:45 Voice of the Army—WIBU
3:00 Backstage Wife—WMAQ WTMJ
3:00 Family Bible Hr.—WIBU
3:15 Stella Dallas—WMAQ WTMJ
3:15 Jack Berch—WENR
3:30 Judy and Jane—WGN
3:30 Lorenzo Jones—WMAQ WTMJ
3:45 Widder Brown—WMAQ WTMJ
4:00 When a Girl Marries—WMAQ
4:00 Rev. Polley—WIBU
4:15 Cinnamon Bear—WGN
4:15 Portia Faces Life—WMAQ
4:30 Michael Scott—WBBM
4:30 Parade of Bands—WIBU
4:30 Just Plain Bill—WMAQ WTMJ
4:30 Malcolm Claire—WENR
4:45 Do You Remember—WBBM
4:45 Front Page Farrell—WMAQ
4:45 Hop Harrigan—WENR

—EVENING—

5:00 Terry and the Pirates—WENR
5:15 Jimmy Allen—WGN
5:15 University Special—WIBU
5:15 King's Jesters—WBBM
5:15 Dick Tracy—WENR
5:19 Billie the Brownie—WTMJ
5:30 Jack Armstrong—WENR
5:30 Fiesta—WIBU
5:30 Superman—WGN
5:45 Capt. Midnight—WENR
5:45 Tom Mix—WGN WIBU
6:00 Fred Waring—WCFL
6:00 Jim Blade's Music—WMAQ
6:00 Fulton Lewis, Jr.—WIBU
6:00 Music Shop—WTMJ
6:00 Dr. Preston Bradley—WGN
6:05 Dinning Sisters—WBBM
6:15 Lum and Abner—WIBU
6:15 Music That Satisfies—WBBM
6:30 Supper Interlude—WMAQ
6:30 Mr. Keen—WBBM KMOX
6:30 Hollywood Theater—WTMJ
6:45 Discussion Club—WLS
6:45 H. V Kaltenborn—WMAQ
6:45 Victory Jamboree—WIBU
7:00 Frank Morgan—WMAQ WTMJ
7:00 Suspense—WCCO WBBM
7:00 Confidentially Yours, WGN WIBU
7:15 Lum and Abner—WLS
7:15 Your Reporter—WIBU
7:15 Sunny Skylar—WGN
7:30 Sammy Kaye Show—WGN WIBU
7:30 America's Town Meeting—WLS
7:30 Death Valley Sheriff—WBBM
7:30 Dinah Shore—WTMJ WMAQ
8:00 Music Hall—WMAQ WTMJ
8:00 Gabriel Heatter—WIBU WGN
8:00 Major Bowes' Amateurs—WBBM
8:00 America's Town Meeting—WENR
8:15 Screen Test—WGN
8:15 Junior Red Cross—WIBU
8:30 Spotlight Bands—WENR
8:30 Village Store—WTMJ WMAQ
8:30 Starlight Serenade—WGN WIBU
8:30 Corliss Archer—WBBM WCCO
8:55 Storyteller—WENR
9:00 First Line—WBBM
9:00 Abbott and Costello—WMAQ
9:00 Raymond Gram Swing—WENR
9:15 Arch Ward Sports—WENR
9:15 It's Murder—WCFL
9:15 Dale Carnegie—WGN WIBU
9:30 Army Air Forces—WIBU
9:30 Swing's the Thing—WGN
9:30 Here's to Romance—WBBM
9:30 March of Time—WENR
9:30 Rudy Vallee—WMAQ WTMJ
10:00 I Love a Mystery—WBBM
10:00 Fulton Lewis, Jr.—WGN
10:00 Music Shop—WMAQ
10:15 Kings Jesters & Janette—WBBM
10:30 Symphonette—WMAQ
10:45 Rumpus Room—WTMJ
10:45 Salute to Victory—WBBM
10:45 Art Kassel Orch.—WGN
11:05 Sonny Dunham Orch.—WBBM
11:15 Benny Strong Orch.—WGN
11:15 Gay Claridge Orch.—WENR
11:30 Design for Listening—WMAQ
11:30 Carmen Cavallaro Orch.—WGN
11:30 Emil Vandas Orch.—WENR
11:30 Gene Krupa Orch.—WBBM
12:00 Night Watch (to 6)—WIND
12:00 Musical Nightcap—WMAQ
12:05 Bill Barto Orch.—WBBM
12:05 Don Reid Orch.—WGN
12:15 Don Norman Show—WENR
12:30 Donny Kaye Orch.—WBBM
12:30 Chuck Foster Orch.—WGN
1:00 News and Music—WBBM

WHA THURSDAY

MORNING

7:30 Band Wagon
7:45 Morning News
7:58 WHA Program Review
8:00 Music You Want: Lawrence Tibbett Program
8:30 Morning Melodies
9:00 Broadcast on Broadcasts: "What Besides Daytime Serials?" by Miss Hazel Russell
9:15 News and Views
9:30 Music Enjoyment: "Cello and String Bass"
9:50 Piano Interlude
9:57 Weather Report
10:00 Homemakers' Program: Food-Shopping Tips, Stella Patton; Variety in Vegeables, Mrs. L. Boutwell
10:30 Campus Visitors
10:45 Organ Melodies: Don Voegeli
11:00 Introduction to Literature—Prof. Ricardo Quintana
11:50 Noon Musicale

AFTERNOON

12:20 Noon News
12:30 Farm Program: Post-War Agriculture. Changes Needed in Marketing, H. H. Sommer, R. K. Froker; State Grange Program, Mrs. Esther Seffern
1:00 Chapter a Day: "Don't Look Behind You" by Samuel Rogers
1:30 Fit For Service: "Jack Be Nimble; Jill Be Quick"
1:50 Interlude
2:00 Latin America, Prof. E. A. Nealeciva
2:30 Music of the Masters: Stravinsky, Firebird Suite and Rite of Spring
3:30 University Forum Rebroadcast: "Has Dumbarton Oakes Laid a Good Foundation?, Professor Alfred Fernbach; Morris Rubin and Professor A. C. Garnett
4:00 WHA Players: "Maria Chapdelaine" by Louis Hemon
4:30 Adventure Stories: "Silver Chief" —O'Brien
4:45 Afternoon News
5:00 Masterworks of Music

NEWS BROADCASTS

TONIGHT

5:00 WCCO WBBM
5:00 WGN WMAQ
5:00 WIND WIBU
5:05 WMAQ
5:30 WCCO WBBM
5:30 WTMJ WIBA
5:45 WMAQ
5:45 WBBM WCCO
5:55 WBBM
6:00 WBBM WIBU
6:00 WLS WIND
6:15 WTMJ WMAQ
6:15 WIBA
6:30 WIBU WGN
6:45 WIBA WMAQ
7:00 WGN WIND
7:00 WLS
7:30 WCFL WIND
7:20 WIBU
7:55 KMOX WBBM
8:00 WGN
8:00 WIBU WCFL
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11:00 WENR WGN
11:30 WIND
11:55 WTMJ WIBA
12:00 WIND WENR
12:00 WGN WBBM
12:55 WENR
1:00 WBBM WGN
1:00 WIND (also 2, 3, 4, 5)

THURSDAY

A. M.

6:30 WIND WMAQ
6:00 WMAQ WINB
6:05 WTMJ
6:30 WIBA WTMJ
6:45 WGN WLS
6:45 WMAQ
6:55 WBBM
7:00 WIBA
7:00 WIND KMOX
7:00 WCFL WCCO
7:00 WBBM WTMJ
7:15 WGN WBBM
7:30 WIBA WTMJ
7:45 WCFL WHA
7:55 WMAQ WTMJ
8:00 WGN WBBM
8:15 WLS
8:25 WTMJ
8:30 WCCO WMAQ
8:35 WMAQ
8:45 WIND WBBM
9:00 WGN WIND
9:15 WTMJ WMAQ
9:15 WHA WCFL
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10:30 WIBA
10:45 WLS
11:00 WJJD WCFL
11:00 WGN WIBU
11:30 WIND WMAQ
11:30 WIBU WGN
11:45 WTMJ

P. M.

12:00 WIBA WCFL
12:00 WJJD WIND
12:15 WIBU
12:20 WHA
12:30 WBBM WIND
12:30 WMAQ WIBA
12:30 WCCO WLS
12:45 WMAQ
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11:00 WGN WBBM
11:30 WIND
11:55 WIBA WTMJ
12:00 WIND WENR
12:00 WBBM WGN
12:00 WENR
12:55 WENR
1:00 WGN WBBM
1:00 WIND (also 2, 3, 4, 5)

SPORTS REVIEWS

TONIGHT

5:45 WIBA WTMJ
6:00 KMOX
6:25 WCFL
9:00 WIND
11:15 WMAQ

THURSDAY

P. M.

5:45 WIBA WTMJ
6:00 KMOX
9:00 WIND
9:15 WIND WENR
11:15 WMAQ

MARKETS

THURSDAY

A. M.

6:25 KMOX
11:30 WLS
11:45 WLS

P. M.

12:00 WIBU
12:10 WIBU
12:40 WIBU
12:00 WLS
1:10 WLS

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Uncle Ray's Corner

ROMAN "BESTIARUS" FOUGHT AGAINST BEASTS IN ROMAN ARENA

Roman artists made pictures of men and beasts who fought on the arena. Usually the figures of men

were drawn with care, but it is hard to tell what some of the animals were meant to be.

On a panel dating back to ancient Roman times, we find a beast which may have been meant as a bear. Whatever it was, it was shown as it attacked its opponent fiercely.

The man in the picture was known as a "bestiarus," meaning "beast-killer." His task was to fight against animals in front of a crowd of people.

The bestiarus was given a sword, and sometimes a shield as well. If he wanted to live, he had to ward off the attacks of whatever beasts were sent against him. In the end, he had to strike down the beast, killing it or wounding it so it could not move.

To provide material for this sport, the Romans gathered thousands of animals from wild parts of Europe, Asia Minor and Africa. Lions, bulls, bears and panthers were among the animals which were brought into the arena. Modern bullfights in Spain and Mexico are the nearest things we have today to the ancient Roman fights of men against animals.

The men who fought the beasts were largely criminals. Having committed murder or some other crime, they were sent into the arena to amuse the public.

As time went on, the supply of criminals ran short. This seems to have been one reason why many early Christians were "given to the lions." It was a custom to offer weapons of one kind or another to people sent into the arena, but often this was not done. Helpless women and children were sometimes placed at the mercy of fierce and hungry beasts.

Now and then an "animal hunt" was staged. In such a hunt, two or more men might use spears and bows-and-arrows, instead of swords. When a lion or bear is wounded, it is likely to be more dangerous than ever. You may imagine the excitement of the Roman crowd when a wounded beast turned on a hunter.

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Uncle Ray

Tomorrow: Life of the Gladiators.