

# Fred Allen Going High-Hat On Town Hall Tonight Hour

Pagliacci Will Be Portrayed By Nasal-Voiced Comedian; Heavyweight Patsy Perroni Up For Interview

Like the clown who yearned for the role of Hamlet, Fred Allen will turn to high art and take the part of Pagliacci Fortissimo, an opera singer, in his broadcast of Town Hall Tonight Wednesday at 9 p. m. over WEAF.

Trying not to lapse into his nasal-voiced "A," Fred will run thru a roundelay and an aria or two before he is confronted with the untimely murder of a fellow singer. Harry von Zell will wear the flowing robes of the unfortunate basso. The Mighty Allen Art Players will assist in the opus which is titled "Murder at the Opera" or "Swinging Along With Caruso."

As the twin feature of the program, Fred will demonstrate his aptitude for either the diamond horseshoe or squared circle by interviewing one Patsy Perroni, heavyweight prizefighter, as his "Person You Didn't Expect To Meet." Perroni holds the distinction of lasting 10 rounds with Joe Louis, and should be able to offer Allen invaluable pointers for his impending encounter with Jack Benny, the Waukegan Wildcat.

The history of the corset from Cleopatra to the present will be highlighted on Dave Elman's Hobby Lobby when Richard Kops, of New York City, describes his collection of 2,000 such undergarments on its broadcast Wednesday at 8:30 p. m. over WJZ.

Also on the program will be Sidney Lubin, of Atlantic City, whose hobby is making musical instruments out of old soda and beer bottles; John Becker of Chicago, who collects wooden spoons, and Mrs. Fanny J. McGuire, of Birmingham, who spends her spare time gathering descriptions of unusual churches.

Kops has actual duplicates of the corsets worn by Cleopatra, which in those days were often made of iron and covered most of the body. His collection traces the further development of the corset thru the Gibson girl period of the gay nineties when whale bone was brought to the aid of milady to help her assume the then modish hour-glass figure.

President Franklin D. Roosevelt will address 1,271,000 Boy Scouts in the United States and its possessions during the 29th anniversary program of the Boy Scouts of America over WJZ Wednesday at 10 p. m.

The Scouts will be called to meetings to hear the program by the 534 Boy Scouts Councils in the U. S. The President, who is hon-

## BEST BETS WEDNESDAY

**P. M.**

- 7:30—Ask It Basket, WABC.
- 7:30—Horace Heidt Orchestra, WJZ.
- 8:00—One Man's Family, WEAF.
- 8:00—Gang Busters, Dramatic, WABC.
- 8:30—Tommy Dorsey Orchestra, WEAF.
- 8:30—Paul Whiteman and Band, WABC.
- 9:00—Fred Allen in Town Hall, WEAF.
- 9:00—Theatre of Stars, WABC.
- 10:00—Kay Kyser Class, WEAF.

orary president of the Boy Scouts of America, will be introduced by Walter W. Head, president of the National Council of the Boy Scouts. Head will briefly outline to the President the year's accomplishments in Scout activities. The President will respond and then introduce Dr. James E. West, chief Scout executive and editor of Boys' Life.

Dr. West will lead the 1,200,000 Scouts standing at attention at their meetings in a recitation of the Boy Scout oath.

In honor of a great anniversary in American history, Jim McWilliams today announced a special "Lincoln's Birthday Basket" for his Ask-It Basket program Wednesday. A round of questions about anecdotes and incidents in the life of Abraham Lincoln will be included in the five or six rounds of the popular "pursuit of information" over WABC at 7:30 p. m.

Paul Whiteman and his orchestra will feature "Terribly Attractive," the hit tune from the new Broadway musical, "Stars in Your Eyes," on his program Wednesday, at 8:30 p. m. via WABC. The