

Crosby Plans Program For Soldiers In Philippines

Eddie Cantor And Galaxy Of Stars And Edward G. Robinson Arrange Special Offerings

The gallant soldiers under General MacArthur defending Bataan peninsula in the Philippines want to hear Bing Crosby sing over the radio, and their request will be granted Thursday night.

The request, it was revealed, came directly from Gen. MacArthur and was communicated to Bing by Washington authorities. Gen. MacArthur asked, if it were possible, for Bing to dedicate one of his songs to the soldiers of his army.

The whole of Bing's regular program, at 9 p. m. over WEAF will be designed to entertain the soldiers who have been fighting with their backs to the wall.

In their telegram to Crosby, the Washington officials said that the program would be transmitted to Gen. MacArthur's fighting men by short wave, via San Francisco.

An hour long show, headed by Eddie Cantor and including a parade of stars and personalities of the stage, screen and radio, will be broadcast Thursday from 12:00 midnight to 1:00 a. m. over three major networks, NBC, the Blue Network and the Mutual Broadcasting System.

Appearing on the show will be Walter Winchell, Dinah Shore, Gertrude Lawrence, Maurice Evans, Fred Waring and Co., Kenny Baker, Ezra Stone, Carmen Miranda and her Sanba Serenaders, Danny Kaye, Bert Gordon (The

"Mad Russian"), Glenn Miller and his orchestra, Larry Adler, harmonic virtuoso, and Edgar Fairchild and his orchestra.

Starring Edward G. Robinson, a half-hour broadcast drama dealing with Infantile Paralysis will be heard over WABC Thursday, 9:30 to 10:00 p. m. The program is sponsored by the Committee for the Celebration of the President's Birthday for the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis.

"They Also Serve" is the title of the show, which besides Robinson as Steve Wilson, managing editor of the Illustrated Press, will have Ona Munson in the leading feminine role. It was written by Maxwell Shane and Paul Franklin, and will be produced under the direction of Crane Wilbur, with a musical background by Leith Stevens and his orchestra. The announcer is Ken Niles.

A perfect three-point landing will be demonstrated at Patterson Field at Dayton, O., when M. C. Garry Moore, announcer Ben Grauer and accompanist Will Doty, arrive there Thursday to give a little "Service with a Smile." (WJZ, 8:30 p. m.)

"Honest" Frank Morgan and emcee John "Jockey" Conte will revive the amiable and quaint custom of name-calling as they embark on an all-out tussle to achieve the apex of aggravating appellation in another hilarious session on the Coffee Time program Thursday at 8:00 p. m. over WEAF.

Frank Fay will match wits with a bit of octoplasm on his Thursday night program over WEAF at 10:30 p. m. Fay figures he has had duels with practically every type of corporeal being but admits this will be his first tussle with a ghost. Fay will be supported by Harry Salter's orchestra, Tenor Bob Hannon and Beverly and her Boy Friends.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 29

Eastern Standard P. M.—Subtract One Hour for CST., 2 Hrs. for MT.

(Alterations in program as listed due entirely to changes by networks)

5:15—The Vagabonds Vocals—nbc-red
The Tom Mix Serial—blue-east
Johnnie Johnson Song—blue-west
Scattergood Baines Serial Skit—cbs
Captain Midnight Serial—mbs-east
6:00—Denver String Orchest.—nbc-red
Escorts and Betty Song—blue-east
Stories of Adventure—blue-west
Two News Broadcasting Periods—cbs
Prayer, Cairo Broadcast Music—mbs
6:15—Denver Strings: News—nbc-red
Dancing Music Orchest.—blue-east
"Secret City" Serial—blue-west
Dorothy Kilgallen on Broadway—cbs
Word and Music Program—mbs
6:30—The Helms of Liberty—nbc-red
The Lum and Abner Serial—blue
Song Program by Bob Hannon—cbs
Jack Armstrong's repeat—mbs-west
6:45—The Three Suns Trio—nbc-red
Lowell Thomas News—blue-base
Tom Mix in repeat—blue-west
War and World News of Today—cbs
Captain Midnight repeat—mbs-west
7:00—17. Waring Time—nbc-red-east
Elsy Aces, Drama Serial—blue
Amos 'n' Andy Serial Skit—cbs-base
Fulton Lewis, Jr. & Comment—mbs
7:15—News from the World—nbc-red
Mr. Keen, Dramatic Serial—blue
Lanny Ross & His Songs—cbs-base
Here's That Morgan Program—mbs
7:30—Al Pearce Gang—nbc-red-east
The Four Eaton Boys—nbc-red-west
Intermezzo from Orchestra—blue
"Maudie's Dixie" Sketch—cbs-base