

Statesmen, singers, and screen stars will join with radio artists tonight to dedicate the Columbia Broadcasting system's new 76-station Network of the Americas, which will unite Latin-American broadcasters with the 121 stations of Columbia's North American network.

Appearing on the program, to be broadcast at 8:30 by WBBM will be Undersecretary of State Sumner Welles, Pres. Anastasio Somoza of Nicaragua, and other leaders of the American democracies; Lauritz Melchior, Bidu Sayao, and Robert Weede, of the opera stage; Melvyn Douglas, Falkenberg, Rita Hayworth, Dick Powell, Mary Martin, and Edward G. Robinson, of the movies; the Columbia Symphony orchestra; the Orquestra Panamericana CBS; and Juan Arvizu, Olga Coelho, Eva Garza, and the Charro Gil trio, radio artists.

WBBM will supplement the network show with its own program at 10, with Todd Hunter interviewing Latin American representatives in Chicago.

Other attractions tonight:

Discussion

8:30 p. m. — Volunteer Land Corps (WENR): formal launching; Paul V. McNutt, Dorothy Thompson.



Music

7:30 p. m. — Horace Heidt (WIBA): "Skylark," "Don't Sit Under the Apple Tree," "Liza," "Three Little Sisters," . . . Maid of America (WGN): "I Hear America Singing," "Sing V for Victory," "Tangerine," "Moonlight Cocktail."

9:30 p. m. — The Northerners (WGN): "Some Day," "Me and My Melinda," "Sleepy Lagoon."

11:05 p. m. — Roy Shield and Co. (WIBA): prelude to "Traviata," "Sun Blaze," "Tangerine," "One Dozen Roses," "Love Nest."



Drama

8 p. m. — Famous Jury Trials (WENR): Claudia Morgan as Nurse Edith Cavell.



Quiz

8 p. m. — Battle of the Sexes (WMAQ): girl pilots vs. flying yeomen.



Variety

7:30 p. m. — Milton Berle (WENR): and Gene Tierney.

8 p. m. — Burns and Allen (WIBA): Gracie's concert plans hit a snag. . . . Duffy's Tavern (WBBM): more musical misery.

8:30 p. m. — Fibber McGee (WIBA): launches a cleanup campaign.

9 p. m. — Bob Hope (WIBA): and Vera Vague.