

Music Hall Broadcast Offers Bing Crosby, Harry James

Comedian



Funny man Jim Backus is the sparkplug of Columbia network's new "The Jim Backus Show," heard Thursdays at 7:30 p. m. With Backus are Songstress Mary Small, Jeff Alexander and his ragtime band, the Balls of Fire chorus, Frank Gallop, Anne Thomas, Carl Eastman, Hope Emerson, Art Elmer, and Arthur Carney.

Frequencies

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| WIBA | 1310 | WMAQ | 670 |
| WHA | 970 | WGN | 720 |
| KSTP | 1500 | WIND | 560 |
| WBBM | 780 | WLBL | 930 |
| WCO | 830 | WLS | 890 |
| WCFL | 1000 | WLW | 390 |
| WIBU | 1240 | WTMJ | 620 |
| WENB | 890 | WMOX | 1120 |

(Programs listed in The State Journal are checked to the last possible moment. Changes may be made, however, at the discretion of stations and networks.)

WIBA Tonight

5:00 Dr. Friedrich Roetter.
5:15 America Calling.
5:20 News Edition.

Fred Astaire, dancing star, and Harry James, trumpet virtuoso, will join Bing Crosby in the Music Hall broadcast at 8 tonight over WIBA—Bing's last show before his summer vacation. Mary Martin will sing "Jingle, Jingle, Jingle," "Three Little Sisters," and "He Wears a Pair of Silver Wings."

Other attractions tonight:

Drama

6:30 p. m.—**Maudie's Diary** (WBBM): and her coin meters.

7 p. m.—**Death Valley Days** (WBBM): bandit at a church social.

7:30 p. m.—**The Aldrich Family** (WMAQ): Henry prepares for a final date with Nancy Adams.

8:30 p. m.—**Big Town** (WBBM): Edward G. Robinson in the Libyan desert. . . **Americans at the Ramparts** (WIBU, WGN): story of the merchant marine.

9 p. m.—**Rudy Vallee** (WIBA): with Groucho Marx and Joan Davis in "The Lodge on the Lake."

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Discussion

8 p. m.—**America's Town Meeting** (WENR): Walter Reuther, Chester Davis, others on "Wages, Taxes, and Inflation."

9:30 p. m.—**Public Affairs** (WBBM): electricity in the war effort.

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Variety

7 p. m.—**Fanny Brice** (WIBA): as Baby Snooks helps name the twins.

10:30 p. m.—**Al Pearce** (WMAQ): and Martha Tilton.

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Fridaytime

8:45 a. m.—**Thus We Live** (WBBM): Lui Chieh, minister-counsellor of Chinese embassy, on work of the Red Cross.

11:30 a. m.—**Farm and Home Hour** (WMAQ): Secretary of Agriculture Claude R. Wickard.

2:35 p. m.—**Men of the Sea** (WLS): Lieut.-Gen. Thomas Holcomb, marine commandant, on "Marines, Their Rifles and Small Weapons."

5:45 p. m.—**Scandinavian Rally** (WIBA): the Rev. Hector Gundersen, Mrs. Milo Kittleston, Cedric Parker, Amelia Yeager. . . Bill Stern (WCFL): covers National Professional Tennis championships.