

In an unprecedented broadcast, Pres. Roosevelt will be heard over WIBA and a nationwide network at 10 a. m. today in observance of Thanksgiving day.

Surrounded by his cabinet, heads of the armed forces, supreme court justices, and congressional leaders, the president will lead a service of song and prayer which will be carried over all major networks and by short wave to all American fighting forces.

The president will open the observance by reading his Thanksgiving proclamation.



Canteen

On the entertainment side, the day's schedules will be headlined by the Thanksgiving Canteen, a two-hour variety show on WBBM, starting at 3 p. m. The all-star program will include these features, with Don Ameche as master of ceremonies:

Elsie Janis and Walter Pidgeon, a "memory" sketch;

Mme. Vincente Lim, wife of a Philippine general, holiday message;

Loretta Young, dramatic sketch;

Edgar Bergen and Charlie McCarthy, special sketch;

Red Skelton and Harriet Hilliard, ditto;

Ella Mae Morse and Freddie Slack, "Pigsfoot Pete" and "Mr. Five by Five";

Dale Evans, "I'm in Love With a Guy."

Spike Jones and his City Slickers, "Der Fuehrer's Face" and "Hot Cha Cornya";

Jose Iturbi, "Liebestraum" and "Ritual Fire Dance";

Judy Canova, comedy sketch;

Ginny Simms, "Can't Get Out of This Mood" and "I'm Saving Myself for Bill";

Gene Krupa, "Drum Boogie";

Golden Gate quartet, "Summertime," "Joshua Fit de Battle," "Gosnel Train";

Allan Jones, "The Yanks Are Coming Again."



Other Attractions

And here are the other headliners of the day, classified for your convenience:

Special Programs

8:30 a. m. — From England (WIBA): Alex Dreier interviews British war orphans adopted by American fliers.

10:30 a. m. — Msgr. Fulton J. Sheen (WFCL): on "Keeping Faith with God and America," speaking from University of Notre Dame's centennial observance.

11:30 a. m. — Dr. Preston Bradley (WJJD): annual Thanksgiving Sermon.

5:45 p. m. — From Alaska (WIBA): soldiers greet families from Ladd Field.



Discussion

2:15 p. m. — Women at War Week (WJJD): Mrs. Glenn Frank, others.

7:30 p. m. — America's Town Meeting (WLS): John W. Studebaker, Dr. Stringfellow Barr, and Mary Gilson on "How Can Education Keep Pace with War Needs?"



Sports

1:45 p. m. — Football (WGN): Northwestern vs. Great Lakes.



Music

8:30 p. m. — Spotlight Bands (WENR): Tommy Dorsey.

11:15 p. m. — Music of the New World (WMAQ): the singing school period — 1720 to 1820.



Drama

7:30 p. m. — The Aldrich Family (WIBA): tries reporting a football game . . . Death Valley Days (WBBM): "Harvest at Ft. Rock," story of Arizona pioneers.

9 p. m. — The First Line (WBBM): brothers battle Japs.



Variety

7 p. m. — Fanny Brice (WIBA): proves "Daddy" has nothing to be thankful for.

8 p. m. — Music Hall (WIBA): Bing Crosby, Janet Blair, Virginia Weidler, George Tobias, others.

8:30 p. m. — Stage Door Canteen (WBBM): Joan Fontaine, Brian Aherne, Milton Berle, Rise Stevens.

9 p. m. — Rudy Vallee (WIBA): and Billie Burke.

10:30 p. m. — Abbott and Costello (WMAQ): plus Herbert Marshall.

5:15 Harry James—WBBM WCCO