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WBEN Returns To Air Soon

New equipment, a new space and a new staff will make up the ship's radio station WBEN when it returns to the air in the near future.

At the present time a permanent sound-proof space is being built to house WBEN and the exact date of its completion is not yet known.

While the Bennington was in the New York area, several hundred dollars in equipment plus a new supply of records was purchased. Plans are under-

LOOK WHO'S LAUGHING - Humble pollywogs bow low before King Neptune and his Royal Court during "Crossing the Line" ceremonies aboard the Bennington. For the story and other pictures see pages 4, 5 and 6.

way to improve the "Voice of the Bennington's" programming with a greater amount of musical variety and increased news coverage.

Jim Glynn, station manager, says the spacious sound proof studio will enable the station to operate during flight operations and at other times when a great deal of noise would otherwise interfere.

Montevideo City of Modern Buildings & Pleasant Recreation

Montevideo, Uruguay, one of the most modern and beautiful cities in South America, promises to provide some pleasant recreation for the Bennington crew beginning tomorrow.

As the center of activity in Uruguay, Montevideo (pronounced Mon-ta-va-day-o) has some of the latest architecture in the world. Its broad well-paved and well-lighted streets are lined with impressive business structures and handsome dwellings. There are also many open squares with flower gardens spread throughout the city.

The flowers of Montevideo are one of its principal attractions and the profusion with which they grow in the parks, plazas, and private gardens is responsible for the nickname of "City of Roses."

Many other modern improvements are in evidence. Unlike many foreign countries, the food and water in the city are considered to be sanitary. One need only exercise the ordinary precautions used in the United States when selecting a restaurant or hotel that is, finding a good-looking, neat place and avoiding dirty and cheap cafes.

Prices in the restaurants and hotels are generally equal to those in the United States

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