

SINCE the Heeney-Tunney boxing match, correspondents in all parts of New Zealand have written congratulating the Broadcasting Company on the success of the re-broadcast.

Very complete plans had been made by all stations, and every effort was made to pick up everything that came over the ether, whether in voice or Morse. Of the four stations, 2YA and 4YA fared best, and 1YA worst of all.

CONDITIONS were much against 1YA on the day. A receiving set, specially made for the occasion, was installed at Takapuna. This set had been tested the previous day, and the result was very satisfactory. High hopes were entertained that the re-broadcast of the fight on the Friday would be successful. Friday's effort was, however, a complete "wash-out." Apart from the Takapuna line, special arrangements had been made in case of reception at Waiheke Island, and with other amateur receiving sets in Auckland. A receiving set was also tuned in to Wellington, but reception was also impossible from there. Neither was the Morse reception intelligible. Only one amateur listener in Auckland was able to pick up 2XAD, but in his case local interference and other noises were such that the reception was incoherent.

4YA fared well. Their listening post was at the signal station at the Heads, the short-wave set used being that of Mr. F. Barnett, radio dealer and operated by Mr. J. D. McEwen.

In Christchurch, half a dozen of the best sets in the city were co-operating with 3YA, but conditions for reception there were very bad. Neither could Morse be picked up. For a while 3YA tuned in and re-broadcast 4YA, the result being very noisy, but very interesting. Then 3YA tuned in to 2YA, re-broadcasting the ringside description (which was again noisy), and the Morse, which was being deciphered in the announcer's rooms at 2YA.

As the afternoon wore on, conditions improved until at 3.30 the special broadcast from 2XAD giving a review of the fight was picked up by 2YA and 3YA. Every word of the American announcer was perfectly clear, and the rebroadcast from both stations was excellent. This American announcer was not without a sense of humour. It was interesting to note that when he signed off at 12.9 a.m. it was 3.39 p.m. the same day here.

FROM among the appreciative letters which have been received, the following extracts have been made:—

"I want to take this opportunity of congratulating the company on its ef-

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forts in connection with the Heeney-Tunney fight. Whilst it was not possible to follow the fight as broadcast from the ringside, the fact that the company had made arrangements for the receipt by Morse of the description of each round more than made up for any other shortcomings. It was a wonderful effort, and the pioneer work done by the company will long be re-

membered. The Heeney-Tunney fight must prove a tremendous advertisement to broadcasting, and the success of your efforts are an incentive for future broadcasts of events of world-wide interest."—"G.W.M.," Kelburn, Wellington.

"We listened in from about 12.30 to-day, and although we heard only a few fragments of sentences from New

York while the fight was in progress, we got practically everything from the announcer at 2YA, and about 3.30 we heard the account of the fight broadcast from New York, and could follow it well. I consider the effort of the Broadcasting Company, with the assistance of the Telegraph Department, was a huge success, and I might say the announcer at 2YA was never heard to better advantage, nor were the records which were put over the air to fill in time while the news was being expected. So far as the King Country is concerned, the whole issue was highly satisfactory. Our set is a 5-valve one, and part of the time the re-

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