

ception was so loud that we had to run on four valves."—"D.M." Rangataua.

"Your description of the big fight deserves higher praise than I can give you."—"R.G." Hamilton.

"Congratulations. Splendid reception at Denniston of Tunney-Heeney fight."—"H." Denniston.

"I would like to voice my appreciation of the broadcast of the Heeney-Tunney fight, and the great effort in giving listeners-in of the very best. I also feel I must pay a tribute to the relaying of the concert at the Town Hall on Friday night. The announcing was splendid. 2YA is hard to beat."—"Listener-in," Wadestown.

"The thanks of every person with a broadcasting set are due to you, for the wonderful success you made of the Heeney-Tunney fight. I personally felt I had received more than full value for my year's subscription for this one item. I would also like to say, without any reflections on the other New Zealand stations, that 2YA is out on its own. Its announcers and programmes are a real pleasure all the time. You, I know, will at times get the "knock-back" from some head-aching and livery subscribers, but it is the same in every walk of life. In any case, you "land the goods," and that is what counts in the long run, and undoubtedly your Heeney-Tunney effort is your A1 up to date. Carry on!"—"M.J.," Hastings.

## NORTH SHORE RADIO CLUB

A PUBLIC meeting was held in Daly's Hall, Takapuna, on July 18 for the purpose of forming a North Shore Radio Club.

Mr. A. J. Lewis read the notice convening the meeting, and explained the objects of the club, which are to foster the interests of the listener from the point of view of obtaining better reception from his receivers. Constructional nights are to be arranged on which listeners are invited to bring their difficulties, have them explained and corrected. Opportunity will also be given for the building of receivers.

It was unanimously decided to form a club, and the election of officers was proceeded with. Chairman, Mr. E. J. Wiseman; secretary, Mr. A. J. Lewis, P.O. box 1711, Auckland; committee, Messrs. H. E. Parsons, L. Ayre, F. Dawson, W. Adams, F. J. Callaghan, and K. Lewis.

Mr. H. E. Parsons gave an interesting and instructive address on the "Romance and Reality of Radio," dealing with the early discovery of this marvellous science, up to the modern set. The meeting concluded with votes of thanks to the speaker and convenor.

## Auckland Notes

(By Listener.)

FROM their own station Aucklanders did not hear a description of the big fight, but when they were acquainted with the reception conditions prevailing there was no complaint, for the public recognised that the feat was impossible of achievement. At the time of the contest, however, there was much disappointment, for people were keyed up to fever heat of excitement over the event.

THERE continues to be nothing but praise for the radio play recently broadcast. It is quite refreshing to note the favourable comments which have appeared in the correspondence columns of the daily press, and the "Comedy Players" have every reason to feel gratified at the success of their initial big venture. The general query among listeners is "When will they do it again?"

RADIO popularity is a condition not easily gained, but one which clings once it is attained. In Auckland there is perhaps no better example of it than in the case of the Rev. Lionel Fletcher. As a preacher he commands our largest radio "congregation," and his mail on succeeding days is invariably a large one. As "Uncle Leo," too, he is doing splendid service in the children's hour.

THE utilisation of "B" eliminators is growing apace. So much so, in fact, that local demands for some of the best known types exceed present supplies. The writer is one who is the fortunate possessor of a good eliminator, and like nearly all others he would find it hard to go back again to the old dry batteries. Auckland power in most areas maintains a fairly constant pressure, and little trouble is experienced with fluctuations. Last night there was an opportunity to hear one of the latest power-socket sets, with the inevitable result—everybody wants one. It is quite easy to understand after hearing one why they have caught on so rapidly in America.

A DESCRIPTION of the finals of the Auckland amateur boxing championships provided an excellent relay. The announcer, Mr. Hutter, I presume, handled his task in a most realistic manner, and in one roomful of listeners a number of the fair sex, both young and old, took the keenest interest in his accounts of the fights. There is no doubt that the description did much to popularise the fistic pastime, and to give those who had never witnessed a boxing contest the desire to see what they had heard described so well.

THE function of the gramophone in radio entertainment was well demonstrated from 1YA on Wednesday evening. The latter part of the programme was devoted to a lecture-recital by Mr. Karl Atkinson, whose enthusiasm for the recorded disc has now extended to the reproduction of it through the air. Mr. Atkinson made a wise selection in the items which he submitted, and in each case he introduced them with illuminating remarks. In fact, he lifted the programme quite above its usual level by a most appreciated half-hour, and all

lovers of good music will await a repetition of Wednesday's new departure.

THE relay from the Embassy was another attractive feature on Wednesday. This relay is eagerly looked forward to, and hopes are expressed that it is but the forerunner of more extensive developments in broadcasting of theatrical items.

THE most disappointed people over the Heeney-Tunney fight were the short-wave enthusiasts who had been encouraged by prior tests to anticipate fine reception. The ether treated them shockingly, and though many claimed a fair measure of success, there is no authenticated case of hearing the whole ringside account. Local howling was very much in evidence. The howler is usually regarded as an inconsiderate mortal with no thought for his neighbour, yet when 1YA put over a special plea for him to consider the reception of others it was noticeable that local interference was minimised to a great extent.

LISTENERS will congratulate Mr. W. J. Meredith upon his fine running account of a great game of football on Saturday last. The struggle was an epic one, packed full of tense moments, and of these the announcer made full use. The roars of the crowd, the graphic description—these brought splendid realism to those at their receivers.

THE new "UX222" received a thorough testing during the fight relay, and came triumphantly through the ordeal. Mr. H. Jacques, who was using one in his short-wave set, stated that there was no difficulty in obtaining more volume than was necessary. Unfortunately, the extraneous noises alone prevented clarity of speech being noted.

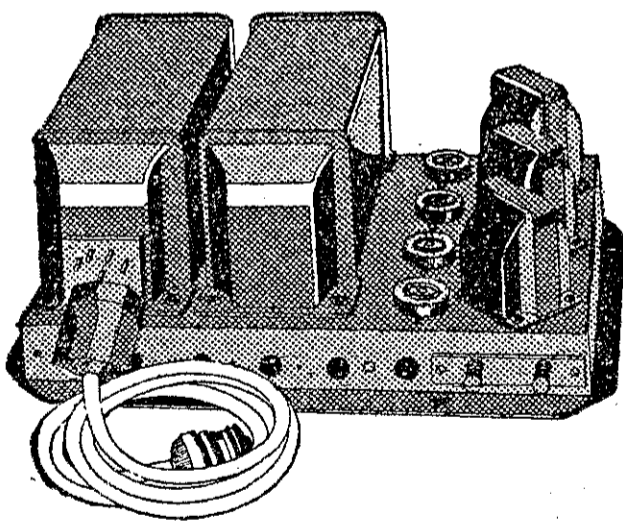
QUITE a number of new performers are now making first appearances before the 1YA microphone. What excuse over monotony of performers will the disgruntled ones now make? The new talent is well up to the high standard demanded at 1YA.

THE souvenir issue of the "Radio Record" is just to hand among local subscribers, who find in it much to interest and instruct. Through the medium of numerous illustrations they are familiarised in another manner with many who have been merely names to them in the past. The resume of New Zealand broadcasting, and the indications of future policy are both welcome and encouraging, while the advice to gather in additional licenses is something that every listener could well follow in his own interests.

### Protest From Backblocks.

RE the banning of racing broadcasts, I hope the gentlemen who passed that resolution will kindly refrain from listening-in to the Heeney-Tunney fight and the Tasman flight—in case they start illegal betting. To us people away in the backblocks—with only one mail a week—a little more everyday news would be a great blessing.—H.S. (Collingwood).

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