N.Z. Golf Championships

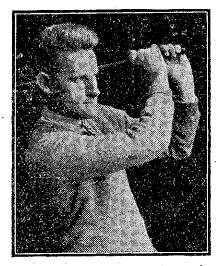
Harold Black to Broadcast Description of Play

THE entire golfing world of New Zealand will await with breathless interest the result of the New Zealand golf championships which are to be played on the Titirangi Links from October 6 to October 14. The Broadcasting Board has obtained the services of Mr. Harold Black, the Wellington golfer, to broadcast a stroke-by-stroke description of the play-off in the final of the championship; should Mr. Black be participating in the play-off, his substitute will be Mr. Gordon Hutter.

THE field for this year's amateur championship is as usual very open. Many did not expect the present champion, Rana Wagg, to retain his title at Heretaunga last year, but he did so. At present he is away on his honeymoon, but it is certain that the New Zealand champion will not allow even a honeymoon to distract him from the defence of his title. There are many other contenders for the honour who must be given at least an equal chance, however; among them is the youthful Brian Silk, of Wanganui, who is at present at the top of his form, and has several times broken seventy in the last few weeks. Another youngster with a chance is Jack Hornabrook, of Masterton, and in the more experienced brigade are T. H. Horton, last year's runnerup, A. G. Sime, Greymouth, who won in 1921, and J. Millard, who plays his golf in Christchurch. Another possibility is Harold Black, Miramar's No. 1. but he is suffering from influenza at the moment; fit and well, he will be a strong contender.

Auckland has never produced a winner of the highest honour in New Zealand golf, but there are some very strong players this year from the northern clubs. The most likely appear to be Basil Smith, H. D. Brinsden, a member of the last New Zealand team to play Australia, and B. H. Menzies.

The Titirangi course is, for the average amateur, a difficult course on which to score well, and those



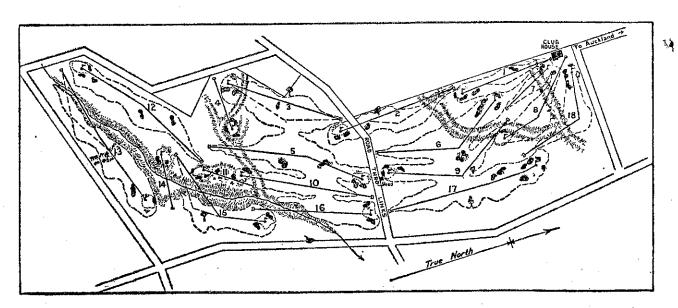
who have not previously had experience in putting on terraced greens will find that this is an art in itself. However, the first-class golfer will not find any insuperable difficulty on the course, and some good cards should be returned. In normal conditions the course should provide an excellent test, but if it should be windy, and Aucklanders know to their cost how it can blow on the course, the championships will provide but a poor test of golfing skill.

In addition to broadcasting a description of the play in the final, through the Board's short-wave transmitter, Mr. Black will review the day's play from 1YA at approximately 9 p.m. each evening throughout the tournament; he is also to give an introductory talk at 9 p.m. on October 5.

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Arrangements have also been made for the telegraphing of a summary of the day's play, together with the results, to each of the YA stations, and it is expected that this will be broadcast at about 7.30 each evening.

In order that listeners may follow the games clearly, we publish below a plan of the Titirangi course, if this is cut out and kept for reference golfing enthusiasts—or non-golfers for that matter—will be able to visualise just what is happening.



THE TITIRANGI LINKS .- Follow the play on this plan.