

Onlooker's Diary

Busy

APART from seven Wycombe men in the Berks and Bucks side playing Oxfordshire at Loakes Park, two other Wycombe members of the Wanderers' senior side, were also engaged in a representative match on Wednesday.

Cliff Trott and Freddy Lawson were chosen for the Isthmian League against the Royal Navy at Woking. Lawson had already been chosen to play for the counties' side but in order to allow him to make his first appearance for the Isthmian League the Berks and Bucks F.A. released him from the Southern Counties game.

Dennis Edwards' move to Charlton also gave Jackie Tomlin his chance in the county team and Jimmy Truett was called on at the last minute to play at wing half.

PROBLEM RESOLVED

Although it is not unexpected, Dennis Edwards' decision to turn professional is nonetheless a blow to Wycombe Wanderers, whose care of his injured knee had enabled him, since joining the club from Slough, to achieve top ranking among amateur inside-lefts in the country and to claim an England 'cap.'

But his departure does at any rate solve the problem of the six first team forwards. Now Mick Rockell, utility man of the Wycombe front line, has the job of assuming the Charlton man's

mantle as Tomlin's left-wing partner.

Charlton Athletic have expressed their appreciation to the Wanderers for their co-operation in the recruitment of Edwards and they have promised to send their full first team to Loakes Park to play Wycombe, probably on a Wednesday evening at the end of the season.

FROM SOUTHALL

After recruiting Jack Guilfoyle, former Oxford City and Headington United half-back, last week—he made a good impression in his first game for the reserve team on Saturday—Wycombe Wanderers this week signed another newcomer, P. A. Stevens, an inside forward from Southall.

Stevens has played for five seasons for Southall at either wing-half or inside forward.

He is expected to make his debut for the club tomorrow at inside-right for Wycombe Reserves against Dulwich Hamlet Reserves at Loakes Park.

HOSPITAL CUP

For their yearly Wycombe Hospital Cup game at the end of the season Wycombe Wanderers are inviting the Athenian League side, Maidstone, to be their opponents at Loakes Park.

The match should provide an additional draw for Wycombe supporters, since the Kent club are likely to be newcomers to the Isthmian League next season.

The Wanderers are still holders of the Hospital Cup after defeating a British Police team 3-2 last May.

With leeway to catch up now in their Isthmian League programme, after recent protracted cup tests, Wycombe look like having a particularly busy time at the end of the season.

WYCOMBE TOUR ?

For some weeks now Wycombe Wanderers' executive committee have been considering the advisability of organising another end-of-season tour for the senior side, possibly overseas.

My bet, however, is that there will be no tour this year—and that, instead, the Wanderers will plump for spending money on ground improvements at Loakes Park.