Philly Pro Points Out Work for P. G. A.

By "ONE OF THE BOYS"

WHEN Willie Hunter said in GOLFDOM recently that a "Landis" was needed by the P. G. A. he was right. Numerous conditions in the pro field never will be regulated until an operating policy involving a commissioner's work is adopted. The pro tendency is to work on too loose a basis. As an example of this, note the way in which the district P. G. A. tournaments usually are run. In the Philadelphia district, as I have heard, in other districts, the tournaments have been run in an exceedingly haphazard manner during the past several seasons. Schedules of starting times set for players were printed the day prior to the tournaments' openings but never were adhered to. Some of the fellows showed up as late as 12 o'clock on qualifying days for a 36 hole qualifying round, and nothing was done about it. Others showed up promptly and waited hours for their scheduled partners to appear.

Members in good standing are the only ones eligible for P. G. A. tournaments, yet during the past season a non-member and partner won second money in a pro-amateur event. Any laxity in enforcing eligibility rules of the P. G. A. in this matter of district tournament play, or in any other respect, should be eliminated.

The Philadelphia P. G. A. held its annual election January 15 and named as officers: President L. Goldbeck, Bala Golf club, Bala, Pa.; first vice president, James Edmondson, North Hills Golf club, Glen-side, Pa.; second vice president, L. Shea, Riverton, N. J.; secretary-treasurer, Chas. Schneider, Rydal Golf club, Rydal, Pa.; chairman of publicity committee, Bill Cone, West Chester Golf club, West Chester, Pa.; chairman of employment committee, Ed. Cleary, Juniata Park Golf club, Philadelphia. The latter committee is something that has been needed for a long time.

The meeting approved holding four sessions a year instead of one every January. There were 52 members present at the annual meeting, showing that the Philadelphia District P. G. A. is a lively, representative local.