the games only because of love for sports and the glory of the institutions.

"Coaches know they cannot get the best players upon that basis. The old grads, who are most interested in the success of the teams, are also aware of this fact. Consequently, a great number of institutions through their alumni associations, athletic associations, and friends of the institutions, secretly pay outstanding footballers and other athletes to play for them.

"Because of conference rules against subsidizing players, all payments to outstanding athletes must be sub rosa. Any and all such payments consequently are vigorously denied by the institutions concerned. Nevertheless, everyone, except the presidents and faculties of the various institutions, appear to be aware of the fact that outstanding athletes are frequently paid to play. Because of lack of personal funds, many of these players would not otherwise be able to remain at these institutions.

"As a result of this situation, our American universities and colleges, which pride themselves on standing for honesty and integrity and the building of character, are made to appear as hypocrites and liars. All of them, nevertheless, want good coaches and good teams to enhance their prestige. They must know that such coaches and such teams cost money, and that somebody must pay the bills. Yet all of them are forced to deny that all the bills are paid."

Commenting that football is hard, grueling work, and that it takes about all the spare time a student has, precluding other work to earn his way, Dean Adams asked, "why not, then, openly and above board, pay these specialized athletes for the work they do on the football and base-ball fields?"

"Is the work not as valuable to the institutions as that of a janitor?" he asked.

Dean Adams made it plain that his conclusions were drawn on a basis of information from the Carnegie report on intercollegiate athletics and personal contacts at various meetings over the country, and not on information in reference to the situation at any one institution.

Picnic on west coast

A group of more than thirty alumni and former students gathered for a Sooner picnic August 15 in Griffith park at Los Angeles.

The group decided to form a permanent organization in Los Angeles, and elected Dr. David Ross Boyd, first president of the University, as chairman. Other officers are C. A. Cooley, '17ex, secretary; and E. E. Holmes, '08as, Joe Matherly, '09ex, and W. E. Smith, '20as, as executive committeemen.

Future meetings were discussed and it was decided that dinners would be held occasionally through the winter. Those arranging the picnic were pleased by the good attendance, as the affair had no advance publicity or notices except a single postal card announcing the picnic.

Those present at the picnic were:

William L. Armor, '23as, Southard, Okla.; F. Ernest Beaty, '01ex, Glendale; H. A. Berlin, '11as, Oxnard; Lela Mitchell Barlin, Oxnard; John H. Bonto, '05pharm, Los Angeles; Nan Chaney, '27M.S., Huntington Park; Reva Lind Clark, '32bus, Los Angeles; Kathryn Hillsmeyer Cobb, '19as, Los Angeles; Helen Craig, Los Angeles; Dr. E. E. Dale, '11as, Norman; Roy A. Foster, '20ex, Los Angeles; Bill Gooding, Los Angeles; Okla Wood Hawn, '15M.A., Long Beach; John N. Helmick, '17as, Inglewood.

And Edward E. Holmes, '08as, Los Angeles; Bess McLenna Hughes, '11fa, Oklahoma City; Jennie Armor Helmick, '24ed, Inglewood; Watson Jones, '28eng, Los Angeles; Dr. W. F. Keller, '31med, Oklahoma City; Raymond R. Landon, '10pharm, Los Angeles; Stella Doolen Landon, '14ex, Los Angeles; Martha Landon, '14ex, Los Angeles; Martha Lindsly, '32as, Los Angeles; Olive Leeper, 'llas, Los Angeles; Joe W. Matherly, '09ex, Glendale; Tracy O. Powell, '31med, Los Angeles; Mrs. Tracy Powell, Los Angeles; Gladys McLennan Smith, '17ex, Los Angeles; W. E. (Babe) Smith, '20as, Los Angeles; W. E. Yarbrough, '33ex, and Mrs. Yarbrough, Los Angeles; H. A. Everest, '06sc, Los Angeles, and Dr. and Mrs. David R. Boyd, Glendale.

School has new director

John Alley's double responsibility as head of the government department and director of the school of citizenship and public affairs has been divided with the appointment of Dr. Cortez A. M. Ewing, associate professor of government, as director of the school of citizenship and public affairs.

Some newspapers in the state, recalling Gov. E. W. Marland's recent remarks that state institutions of higher learning should spend more time training young people for public service, presented the appointment as evidence of a new program of work in the University.

Actually, the school of citizenship and public affairs has been carrying on since 1927, emphasizing three functions:

- 1. To train students for good citizenship.
- 2. To train students specifically for public service.
- 3. To carry on research in governmental problems.

Graduates of the school prepared for public service generally have preferred going into federal positions instead of state positions because of the chance to work under civil service regulations rather than a political patronage system.

Under the new director, the school will continue its present program, expanding as rapidly as conditions permit.

Football

THE Sooner Football team of 1936 will complete its Big Six conference schedule with games against Kansas State and Missouri in the first half of November and wind up the season against the Oklahoma Aggies November 21 at Stillwater.

The first two games will be played in Norman. On November 7 Major Biff Jones' boys will clash with Coach Wesley Fry's Purple powerhouse from Kansas State, a team that outplayed Nebraska last year while tying it 0 to 0, and a team that ran over the Oklahoma Aggies at Stillwater October 3 by a 31 to 0 score.

Final home game at Norman will be the Homecoming Day clash November 14 with the Missouri Tigers of Coach Don Faurot. Last year only two Big Six teams beat the rejuvenated Tigers—Nebraska and Oklahoma. Kansas, Kansas State and Iowa State all were tied. Missouri staged an upset October 10 of this season by tying Kansas State 7 to 7.

The Sooners in mid-October were batting .500 and their goal line had been crossed only once. They tied Tulsa 0 to 0, defeated Colorado 8 to 0, and bowed to Texas 6-0 in a bitter struggle.

Sooners 0, Tulsa 0

The Sooners met a surprisingly powerful Tulsa university eleven in the opener at Norman September 25, but even then might have defeated the visitors on a dry field as Oklahoma had the advantage in statistics and launched three fine drives that bogged down in the mud. The game ended in a scoreless tie before a crowd of 9,000 persons who attended despite a cold rain.

Sooners 8, Colorado 0

On October 3 Major Jones took his boys to Boulder, Colo., where they encountered an even wetter field and rainier day. With sleet falling in the last half, Connie Ahrens blocked a Colorado attempt at field goal and a few minutes later Pete Smith smothered a Buffalo punt in the end zone and Oklahoma led, 2 to 0. Elmo "Bo" Hewes, Sooner right wingback whose running was the feature of the day, skidded off tackle for a touchdown just before the game ended, Oklahoma winning 8 to 0.

Sooners O, Texas 6

Playing October 10 before about 25,000 in the Cotton Bowl of the Texas Centennial exposition—one of the largest crowds that ever saw the Sooners in action—Oklahoma played a powerful Texas team on even terms except for a brief period late in the fourth quarter. Bill Pitzer, star Longhorn halfback, caught a long pass from midfield, which almost was knocked down by a Sooner player, and raced across the goal for the only score of the game.