

October 5, 1940

Mr. John M. Cress
2710 N. Mildred Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Cress:

I am very much interested in your letter and your application. We have practically decided on another candidate, but your record in gymnastics and your membership on the national championship team of the University of Illinois for the past two years has greatly attracted me. If you are definitely certain that you will be available by the 20th of October, I would undergo additional difficulties in my program here to have you in our Department.

Our school gives an M.S. in Education with emphasis on the teaching of physical education. We call it, of course, a Masters in Physical Education. There are fifteen hours of the required thirty in our field, ten hours in education, and so forth. It is practically like all schools of physical education; that is, our Department is located in the School of Education and we have wide latitude in our selection.

I have arranged with the professors in the Graduate School for you to do work this semester in physical education in that school. Of course, you will not be permitted to carry a full load because, first, you are doing teaching work here, and secondly, school will have been in session over a month before you could report.

The second semester you will, of course, have time for graduate work, carrying as much as any fellowship would permit. This stipend of \$450 to \$500 is for the two semesters. We have about 120 students in our school of physical education. Our graduate work in physical education has been in progress for two years.

Will you kindly wire me or write me a special delivery letter upon receipt of this communication?

Sincerely yours,

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Director of Physical Education and Recreation
Varsity Basketball Coach