

April 30, 1943.

Memo to Chancellor Malott:

Dear Chancellor Malott:

I have just received a carbon copy of the letter Mr. Callahan, State High School Supervisor, wrote you regarding the possibility of a refresher course, or rather a three-day conference or institute on physical fitness for the high schools.

Frankly, I think a refresher course would be much better than a three-day conference. I had suggested to Dean Twente the possibility of refresher courses for teachers of the high schools in the Victory Corps program, and also in Basketball and Elementary Playground Methods, and also the possibility of offering one in Community Recreation.

We will have so many teachers and coaches going into the service that a refresher course in these activities should be very helpful. As an indication of the poverty of coaches, I mention the fact that Elmer Schaake's resignation here at the high school has already caused the three members of the Board of Education and Superintendent Dean to call on me for help in filling that position. In the past week no less than twelve high school superintendents or principals have called me looking for coaches. There are none.

In fact, we will be hard put to get a capable man to fill in for Mr. Sherk because with his track and football it will mean that we have lost in the Department of Physical Education at least four-fifths of his work and efficiency. Football and track combined make anyear-round coaching activity.

Very cordially yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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