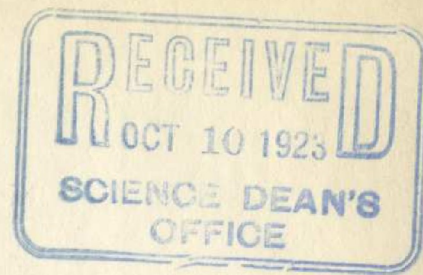


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October 8, 1923.

Prof. S. W. Beyer,
Iowa State College,
Ames, Iowa.

Dear Professor Beyer:

We understand from newspaper reports that you have a colored man playing with your football squad this Fall. I am quite sure, Professor Beyer, you know conditions here, and know it is impossible for a colored man to play or even appear on the field with any team.

This has been discussed in the Missouri Valley for a good many years and I know that you understand the tradition that a colored man cannot come here. This whole question is bigger than our athletics and there is no alternative for us other than to say that we cannot permit a colored man on any team that we play. I am writing your Mr. Otapolik also, because I did not want any misunderstanding or confusion late in the week.

I hope to see you some time during the Fall and renew our friendship of the old days. With sincere personal regards, I am

Very truly yours,

C.L. Brewer,

Director.

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