

24th July, 1950.

Dear Professor Mountford,

I am very glad to say that I have definitely made up my mind and I accept your offer of a Physics Chair at the Liverpool University. I thank you very much again for the offer and hope that the delay in my reply has not caused too great inconvenience.

I have been talking with Sir John Cockcroft about the time at which I might leave Harwell. Professor Skinner suggests, and Sir John agrees, that I might leave Harwell definitely at Christmas, and that I might come to Liverpool only on a part-time basis from October to Christmas. This transition period would facilitate considerably the completion of my work at Harwell, and also would help us in finding housing accommodation in Liverpool.

I will be absent from Harwell from July 25th to September 3rd for my vacation. I understand from Professor Skinner that you are presently having your holiday. I hope you will have a pleasant summer.

Yours sincerely,

B. Pontecorvo