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## Letters between Elizabeth Rebekah Speer and William Kerr's secretary

Elizabeth Rebekah Speer

D. E. Stephens  
*Utah State University*

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88  
144 South Lincoln St.  
Washington, Pa.

January 24, 1907.

Dr W. F. Fenn,  
Dear Sir: -

Excuse the liberty  
I take in addressing you,  
but it is as President of  
the Agricultural College  
of Utah -

I have a good posi-  
tion as Director of Music  
in Washington Seminary,  
but am fond of travel  
and wish to see something  
of the western part of the

United States - Do you  
need a teacher in my  
line for 1907-08? -

I graduated both  
in Piano & Voice from  
the University of Wooster  
(Ohio) at the same time  
finishing its Literary  
Course. Since then  
I have studied four  
years in Berlin with  
Professor Heinrich Barth,  
Court Chamberlain to the Emperor  
and Frau Emma Pohl and  
Thomas, Jarovitz & well-  
known concert singers.  
While there, I spoke  
German almost constantly



because I wished to familiarize  
myself with the idiom of the  
language which had always  
been one of my specialties in college.

I also had two years  
training under the English  
Vocalist, Mme. Grace Damian  
- Brown, a member of Italian  
Opera Co. - at Milan.

Previous to coming here, I  
have been at the head of the  
Musical Department in three  
institutions, & have taught  
three years privately, besides

appearing in numerous recitals  
and churches.

As a means of general edu-  
cation & pleasure, I have toured  
Great Britain, Holland, France,  
Germany, Belgium, Italy,  
Netherlands etc. - by easy  
stages during several trips abroad.

The inclosed Prospectus  
contains a few testimonials  
from notices, & "half-tone"  
photographs. May I hope  
to hear from you soon? -

Respectfully (Yours) Elizabeth Peckahy Lf



Feb. 13, 1907.

Miss Elizabeth Rebekah Speer,  
Washington, Pa.

Dear Madam:-

Replying to your favor of the 24th ult., I am directed to inform you that, so far as known at present, there will be no vacancy next year in our Department of Music. Your communication will be kept in file, however, and should we need an instructor in the Department, we shall notify you .

Yours truly,

Secretary to the President.

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Rebekah L.*