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Stanford Univ. Feb. 13, 1905.

President Kerr

Slogan, Utah.

Dear Sir:

Will you kindly consider me as an applicant for a position as teacher in the Utah Agricultural College. I entered the Southern Branch of the Utah State Normal School in September 1899 and completed in May 1901 the three years course offered there. I then came to Stanford University expecting to be admitted as a regular undergraduate on work done at the normal school, but was obliged to enter as a special student. At the end of the present semester, I expect to have fulfilled all requirements for graduation from the university with the exception of entrance requirements. I still remain a special student, so do not expect to take out a degree this year. My major subject is Chemistry. In excess of the prescribed work for Chemistry majors at Stanford, I have had the following subjects: water

Analysis, Assaying, Industrial Chemistry, and Theories. The rest of my work has been done largely in the Geology and Mining department, having had ten hours of metallurgy, eight of Mineralogy, eight of advanced Petrography, four of Physical Geography, three of Dynamic and Structural Geology, two of Economic Geology, and two of Paleontology.

For information as to the quality of my work, I refer you to Dr. Stillman of the Chemistry department, and Dr. Smith of the Geology and Mining department. Prof. Mann of the B. G. University at Provo, or Prof. P. J. Jensen of the L. D. S. University can give you any desired information as to my character etc, as both of them were students here during my freshman and sophomore years and are well acquainted with me.

Yours truly

John W. Foster

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Calif.