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Letters between Elizabeth Rebekah Speer and William Kerr's secretary

Elizabeth Rebekah Speer

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89
144 South Lincoln St.
Washington, Pa.

January 24, 1907.

Dr W. L. Ferr,
Dex. Dir.:-

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

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 Pianist to the Emperor
and Trautmann Pohl and
Thomas, favorite & 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 had been at the head of the Musical Department in three institutions, & have taught three years privately, besides

appearing in numerous societies
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 (Miss) 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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Elizabeth L.