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Dear Senorita Mistral.

I'm wondering whether you will remember me. I am one of the nuns whom you called on at Mary Mallon's house in Petropolis, Brazil in January 1943. Sister Frederick and I were making a tour of South America and had missed you at Santiago, so your were so kind as to call on us when we were in Petropolis. Sister and I have often talked of you since that time and wished that our Spanish had been better so that we could have spoken to you more freely.

A few months ago Mrs. Mary Kate Nogueira who worked with the American Embassy in Rio de Janeiro told me you were in the States and that she would give me your address as I was anxious to get in touch with you. She must have forgotten, so I obtained your address from the Chilean Consulate here.

You know that the purpose of our trip to South America was to write books for the children in our schools. I am writing them for children eleven to thirteen years old. I have just finished BRAZIL. It is now with the printer. COLOMBIA, ECUADOR, VENEZUELA was published last year. If you would be interested in seeing it I shall be glad to send you a copy.

In the book on Brazil Dr. Delgado-Carvalho, a well-known historian was so kind as to write a short letter to the children of the United States, which I used to end the book. It would bring Brazil closer to the children here because a Brazilian had written this letter to them. Now, I am being audacious enough to ask you if you would write a little poem telling the U.B. child something bout your Chile for my book on Chile so that your country will have more meaning

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