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Dear Miss Mistral:

I am indeed sorry you have had so tedious an illness, but it is good to have word that you are better now.

I know of no principle affecting the publication of South American articles in our national magazines. I do appreciate two factors which make the placing of such articles difficult, however. The first is that in the prewar and early war years, editors felt obliged to print more South American material than they knew would be acceptable to their readers — this for the sake of hemispheric solidarity. To average the publication of that material, the tendency today is to omit South American articles. The other factor is the simple one of limited space, coupled with the public's desire to read for entertainment only. This is regrettable, but nevertheless actual fact.

I suggest that you send me brief one-page outlines on subjects with which you are familiar and which you believe to be of interest to the public. I can then discuss them with editors and report to you their reactions.

I send you cordial Christmas wishes.

Sincerely yours,

Ann Watkins
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