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Dear Dr. Finochietto:

Dr. Poppen has just returned home from your country, full of gratitude and appreciation for the many kindnesses he received down there.

He has told me how kind you and Mrs. Finochietto were to Nancy and to him and I want to write and thank you personally for it.

I am sure you will not think it is flattery when I tell you that I have admired and respected you and your position in surgery and that I hope I can arrange next year to come down and visit your country and some of the other centers in South America.

I have been talking it over with Dr. Poppen and when I do get my plans cleared up, I will write you further about it.

At your convenience, would you mind dropping me a note to tell me if I do come, what would be the most desirable month of the year to make the journey.

With very best wishes to Mrs. Finochietto and you and with very kindest regards for a Happy Christmas and Pleasant New Year,

Sincerely yours,

*Frank H. Lahey*

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