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Dear Professor and Sña. Hurtado:

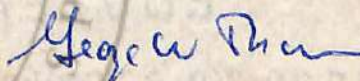
Now that Mrs. Thorn and I have returned to New England, we look back so often on our most enjoyable visit in Lima. It was especially kind of you to invite us to your home and we enjoyed the opportunity to meet your fine friends. I was particularly glad to meet the sister of Doctor Urrutia who is working with us at the present time.

As you know, I have had a long interest in the high altitude studies and the opportunity to visit Peru and the Andean countries is one which I had looked forward to for years. I do hope it will be possible for me to return some time when I can visit your station and go over in more detail your future plans. I was particularly interested in your observations on the lowered incidence of hypertension and heart disease among the people in the high altitudes.

All of us, of course, feel so badly that your problems have been so serious in regard to medical education. I am anxious for you to know that if I personally can help at any time in your future plans for reorganization, I should be only too glad to be of help.

In the meantime, would you be kind enough to extend both Mrs. Thorn's and my best wishes to your wife and family.

Sincerely,



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