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Dear Bill,

You are an absolute wonder! I'll never know what good fortune brought us together, but I am certainly blessed to have you for a friend.

Indeed, we are getting remarkable feedback on "OUR COUNTRY" --particularly North Dakota, Missouri and California -- very unusual for this time of the year. In fact, Jim Ryan also mentioned that AT&T has been getting inquiries for more records which surprised him, considering schools are closed in July. I do hope some magical spirit persuades Bell to do something further with your recording -- it would be so great for teachers to have at a grass roots level.

The catalogs --new, bright red ones -- are being mailed Monday, air mail, to Oregon and California. Dear friend, you are like a one-man task force and I don't know how to begin to thank you.

Also, I have written to Lorna and sent her kits of all the cantatas and information which would be useful. That is very virgin territory for us and will be very valuable in opening the door to the state of Michigan.

I must tell you, Bill, they are planning a huge state-wide activity in Oklahoma, with all Junior High Schools participating in "Our Country". It may be something Holt will want to follow up with your textbooks, and when I know more I will forward the information.

Ah! Danielle --- such a "do-er" --and so wise to avail herself to such good exposure. In the fall, I return to Manhattanville for another teaching methods course. Did I ever tell you, in my

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last two classes (I take one each semester) --Sounds Of The Language was stressed, and I even "studied" parts of my own cantata. As I am registered as a Mrs. Piller, no one was the wiser and my grades were quite excellent.

Susan is very excited with the Noodles pilot. What a wonderful contribution to the children this will make, Bill. I know it will be a winner!

The Pillers want to have the Martins come visit before the summer is up. When do you get back from your travels? Please know much love flows from me to you.

My best,