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tary or civilian, workers or entrepreneurs, laborers or intellectuals."

Chileans still maintain a strong sense of family values, with a privileged place in society for children. No one personifies that concern more than Fernando Monckeberg, a 64-year-old pediatrician who is credited with almost singlehandedly developing one of the Third World's most successful programs for child nutrition.

Malnutrition was widespread in Santiago when Monckeberg began practicing medicine in Santiago in the 1950s, and infant mortality was an abysmal 200 per every 1,000 births nationwide. After years of study and teaching, including a stint at Harvard, he helped found the University of Chile's Nutrition and Food Technology Institute, on the city's outskirts, and forged a comprehensive nationwide program of medical care and feeding for babies and youngsters. Nowadays, the country's infant mortality of 18 per 1,000 births is only slightly higher than that of the United States and most other developed countries, and only a fraction of the South American average of about 70 per 1,000 births.

Because of the success of his program, Monckeberg is often called upon to lecture abroad and help develop other countries' programs. But Chile, he says, can't rest on its laurels. "There is an enormous need for more scientific and technological development," especially through university programs, he says. "The world has become globalized. Each country's prospects will depend on its ability to insert itself in the international system, which is advancing rapidly."

Financier David Gallagher, 46, knows as well as anyone that the world is a small one. He was born in Chile of British parentage and educated in England, where he taught Latin American literature at Oxford before entering the field of banking and returning to the country of his birth.

Now, from his hushed offices in the affluent Las Condes area, the walls lined with artwork, Gallagher handles deals that prove profitable both for Chile and foreign investors from as far away as Japan and Saudi Arabia. He actually helped initiate