Dear Doris:

I was still in the cotovia mood when I met my sister at Pann. Station so we talked about cotovia and I told her about gm. Now I receive a letter from her today that reads:
"Isn't it strange that I should have stopped at an Italian Book Club booth at the World Trade Fair, looked thru a pamphlet and found this article about Gabriella. Also that later on I was looking at missals and liturgical books at Mane's booth and was amazed to fimma Bible [I think she means a missal] opened, with a marker, to August 13th."

August 13th is Betty's birthday. That's why she thought it strange. She doesn't know that it is the day, if my memory serves, me that Yin-Yin committéd suicide.

For years I have been tainking of the significance of that "Danza de luto" dream—now the Basque Dance of Death and all the other things I told you. But I still have to keep listening and looking.

On the train it occured to me that Sabriela in dying had "converted you" in a sense. You know she always was after me to convert you, which always amazed me since I thought, goodness, if Gabriela can't. . .

It's already mid-summer here in Washington and I haven't any summer clothing ready. . . so, manos a la obra. . . .

Oh, another thought that occurred to me today: when you go to Chile they will be after you to speak over the radio etc. you should think of making a tape here that you can use there especially since you have Victoria now to help you with the Spanish.

Something else—why don't you send a note to Elizabeth Bishop's agent (& don't know who she is but Louisa Crane can probably find out) asking her to call you when she comes back from Portugal.

mucho love m. B.

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