

Milano March the 17<sup>th</sup> 1957  
CAVALLO

Dear Esther,

I very much regret not to be able to follow Ines to Supplano this time also because I so miss the only opportunity I had to see you and Josh again as I understood you would not come to Italy. It is a great pity, I was so much looking forward to meet you both, but I hope that will happen at least next year at the Genetics Congress in Canada.

It is some time I received the lovely shawl sweater, which is just what I wished and fits me

very well. Thank you very very  
much for your kind thought, I  
hope that when you will come to  
Italy you also will find some  
thing Italian you like, which  
I could send you over to the  
States. For the moment, knowing  
you are travelling by plain  
and you do not want to carry  
round bulky or heavy things  
I send you just a little purse,  
with Italian coins in it so  
that in the meanwhile, you  
can become familiar with  
them. I am completely tied  
up with the children and espe-  
cially with Videtta, whom I

still feed completely. She is <sup>(2)</sup>  
growing so nicely that I could  
not possibly break the feeding  
just because, epiratically, I  
wanted to come to England.  
Mica will tell you everything  
about the family and the  
baby, who, being a girl was  
extremely well welcomed, as  
you can imagine, by everybody;  
as for me, I am so much at-  
tached to her that also later  
will be very painful for me  
to get separated from.

Do enjoy your journey and  
scientific meetings as much as

you can and try, sometimes, to  
think of me, left lonely at  
home and feeling very low.

To you and Josh lots of love  
from Alba.