reported that in France, Belgium and Switzerland the incidence of alcoholic psychoses had sharply declined as a result of restrictions in the use of alcohol during the war. From the discussion I gather that alcoholic psychosis is normally a much more common condition in France, Belgium and Switzerland than it is with us.

I was asked at the Inaugural Meeting to give an official message from the R.M.P.A. to the Congress, and I was charged to bring back their cordial greetings.

I was also representing the Provisional National Council for Mental Health, which, as you know, is organizing a World Mental Health Congress in 1948. I informed them of this and there was a very warm response. It would appear that the majority of those present hope to attend the Congress in London.

There was also a Meeting of the Executive of the European Council of Mental Hygiene, of which Prof. August Ley is President and Dr. Bersot is Secretary. The other representatives are Dr. Charpentier of France, Dr. Bouman of Holland (who was not present), and myself, representing this country. The question of the programme for the World Congress was discussed.

I was much impressed by their cordiality towards England. A great many people, representing all nationalities, told me that they were sure that it was our courage and discipline that had saved the world, and nearly all of them said that they listened to Big Ben and the British news every night, at the risk of being shot or deported. This they said was the one thing that kept up their own courage and gave them hope. They felt that we had made a most important psychological contribution.

At the official banquet I was given the place of honour, as representing England.

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