April 10th 1924. Clifford W. Beers, Esq., Secretary, The National Committee for Mental Hygiene, 370 - Seventh Ave., New York City. Dear Mr. Beers, I have no doubt that a great deal of good can be done by the holding of an International Congress of Mental Hygiene. While there is no doubt that the ills. which the National Committees in the United States and Canada are attempting to combat, should be dealt with by the state, there is no way in which this end can be brought about except the initiation of the movement by private enterprise and the formation of an enlightened public opinion. The holding of such a Congress would be more than worth while, even if its only result were to bring the community to a full realization of the prevalence of mental disease and its appalling cost in national efficiency. Yours faithfully. Principal.