

again on returning to London (September 13) for further discussion.

While in Oxford (September 8, 1951) in connection with a medical meeting I discussed the pharmacological problem of the ego-depressants with Dr. Burn (but did not discuss our findings with him). He, personally, had had no experience with these agents but sent me to Dr. Ritchie Russell [8 Rawlinson Road, Oxford] who made some suggestions for study, principally along the lines we are already working. There seemed to be a good deal of unanimity of opinion that Mr. Oliver Zangwill ("able and clear") of the Institute of Experimental Psychiatry [34 Banbury Road, Oxford] could contribute much to such a study. This view was offered by Russell, Burn, and Professor George Humphrey (Chief of the above Institute). The extent of this favorable opinion concerning Mr. Zangwill is interesting in the light of Sir Frederick Bartlett's comments (see below). Unfortunately Mr. Zangwill was in Austria (see below). Dr. Ritchie Russell suggested that we study the response to questioning after electric shock therapy, after leucotomy, and after anesthesia (we have been doing so in this last case). He also suggested that we read the Hon. Mrs. Moira Williams in *J. Neurol., Neurosurg., and Psychiatry* 13, 314, 1950, Memory studies in electro-convulsive therapy and also (*loc. cit.*) 13, 30, 1950.

Professor Burn also thought it desirable to see Professor Aubrey Lewis, Head of the Research Department, Maudsley Hospital, Denmark Hill, London. He is a psychiatrist with a principal interest in neurophysiology. Burn also described as outstanding Dr. F.M.R. Walshe, a neurologist on the staff of University College Hospital and Fellow of the Royal Society. Burn said he was a little odd in that it would be best to approach him first, rather than Lewis.

September 12, 1951, Edinburgh. Through the courtesy of an old and trusted friend, Dr. John Gillies of the Royal Infirmary, I had an opportunity to raise the question with Gaddum, Professor of Pharmacology, and Whitteridge, Professor of Physiology at the

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