

INFORMATION BUREAU,

January 13th, 1941.

Mrs. W. M. Hogan,
Turriff West P.O.

Dear Mrs. Hogan,

I am pleased to answer your
letter of the 2nd January.

If you could possibly obtain
a report from your local doctor or dentist as
to the condition of your jaw, I would be very
pleased to assist you to obtain any necessary
treatment. That is to say, provided it comes
within the scope of the work of the Anti-Cancer
Council of Victoria.

Yours faithfully,

C. V. Mackay, M.D.,
Executive Medical Officer.

per

CVM:MD

INFORMATION BUREAU,

6th January, 1941.

Mrs. W. M. Hogan,
Turriff West P.O.

Dear Mrs. Hogan,

Your letter of January 2nd was received today.

In answer to your request, a copy of the handbook on cancer is enclosed herewith.

Dr. C. V. Mackay, the Executive Medical Officer of the Anti-Cancer Council, will write to you in response to your other enquiries in a few days' time.

Yours faithfully,

MD

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Turriff West. P.O.
Jan 2nd 1941

The Cancer Research

Will you please
send me the book or pamphlet referring to
cancer. I have had all my teeth extracted
some years now. & at the top & directly
under. there appears to be something
like my jaw bone on another tooth
the top is getting wider and it hurts
when I wear the dental plate. I'm
foolish enough to be afraid. I am a widow
the mother of 10 children my youngest of
years. I cannot leave them so easily
& can not afford to attend a Dr. or go
to hospital if things were serious
this book might not ease my mind either
Mrs. W. B. Hogan
Turriff West
P.O.

INFORMATION BUREAU,

January 13th, 1941.

**Mrs. F. S. Hards,
310 Lyons Street,
BALLARAT SOUTH.**

Dear Mrs. Hards,

I am very pleased to answer
your enquiry.

In my opinion you should cer-
tainly attend the Ballarat Base Hospital for
an opinion as to the possibility of successful
treatment being undertaken by the specialists
there. It should not be necessary for you to
come to Melbourne.

If, however, the medical
specialists at Ballarat advise treatment in
Melbourne, I shall be very pleased to make all
necessary arrangements for you.

Yours faithfully,

**C. V. MACKAY, M.D.,
Executive Medical Officer.**

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Anti-Cancer Council of Victoria

(AFFILIATED WITH THE BRITISH EMPIRE CANCER CAMPAIGN)

Incorporated by Act of Parliament for the purpose of promoting, co-ordinating, and carrying out investigations in relation to the cause, prevention, and treatment of Cancer

INFORMATION BUREAU,
C/o ROYAL AUSTRALASIAN COLLEGE OF SURGEONS
Spring Street,
Melbourne, C.1.

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C. V. MACKAY, M.D.,
Executive Medical Officer.

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INFORMATION BUREAU,

8th January, 1941

**Mrs. E. S. Hards,
310 Lyons Street,
Ballarat South.**

Dear Mrs. Hards,

The Executive Medical Officer
of the Anti-Cancer Council (Dr. C. V. Mackay)
is at present out of Town, but your letter has
been posted on to him and you will receive a
reply in a few days' time from Dr. Mackay.

I am returning your Out-Patient
cards.

Yours faithfully,

MD

3 10 Lyons St
Ballarat South

Anti-Cancer Council

Dear Sirs

After reading your notice in the "Ballarat Courier" I am filled with a desire to consult you, I hold a card given to me at the Melbourne hospital, it bears the name Dr John H. Kelly & the date 14-2-29, on this date, Dr Kelly, removed a large cancer at the back of my neck, This is perfectly alright, but a small growth on my nose has not bleened bleened up, in fact another one has developed & a trouble in the nostrils the date on which (October 29), the Dr treated the small was Oct 29, I have long desired to go to Melbourne but am not young & so unfit to travel alone & being a Pensioner can't afford such travel, if this can be arranged I shall be grateful,

Gentlemen, I am

faithfully yours

Mrs E S Hards

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INFORMATION BUREAU,

January 10th, 1941.

George M. Horne, Esq.,
20 Luxton Road,
SOUTH YARRA, S.E.1.

Dear Sir,

I am pleased to answer your enquiry of
January 6th.

It can be definitely stated that there
is no possibility of you having inherited any
form of cancer.

I would advise you to enjoy your good
health without any qualms about the possibility
of cancer inheritance.

None of us is immune from cancer, but that
is a different story. Some families are more
susceptible, and that is all we can say at present.

Yours faithfully,

C. V. Mackay, M.D.,
Executive Medical Officer.

CVM.MD

INFORMATION BUREAU,

7th January, 1941.

Mr. George M. Horne,
20 Luxton Road,
South Yarra, S.E.1.

Dear Mr. Horne,

In response to the request
contained in your letter of January 6th, a
copy of the handbook on cancer is enclosed
herewith.

The Executive Medical Officer
of the Anti-Cancer Council, Dr. C. V. Mackay,
will answer your other questions in a few days'
time. At present he is out of Town.

Yours faithfully,

MD

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20 Luxton Road
South Yarra S.E.P.
6-7-41

Anti Cancer Council

Gentlemen

I would be very pleased to receive a copy of "What every Adult should know about Cancer" and would also like an answer to this question: Is there any possibility of me having inherited the disease as my Mother died of cancer in the stomach about 10 years ago at the age of 60. about two years previous to that she had one breast removed. I was a breast fed baby.

I enjoy good health with out any aches or pains up to the present. . age 45 years.

Thanking you in anticipation
I am

Yours Faithfully
George B. Horne.

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2/1/41

Dear Sirs,

In today's Sun, booklet, whatever
adult should know about cancer.
Will you please send me a copy?
I have not been able to get a
doctor's opinion on this growth
on my face. I may have a chance
to go to Melbourne, if I do, I will
call on you

Respectfully yours
J. E. Henders
Boonooora

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J.E. Hender
Boomoora
Victoria

8/11/40

J.E. Hender
Boomoora
Victoria

To Sir

15/11/40

Mr Mackay

Dear Sir

I was unable to see Dr Harper yesterday, he is a very sick man.

When it was too late to go & see him, I was told of another retired Dr & advised to see him, which I may do.

Respectfully yours

J.E. Hender

J. E. Hender
Boomoora
Victoria

8/11/40

Dear Sirs

I thank you for your letter of the 7th. I will try & see Dr Harper when I go to Daylesford next Thursday as requested.

Treatment for enlarged prostate gland I did not expect, Bavendish Laboratories, apparently, is the place for that.

yours truly
J. E. Hender

P.S. It would not be necessary for me to lay up would it? I don't like Hospitals, at least, public Hospitals I have seen too much of them. I've been told St Vincent's Hospital is far better, I don't know

J. E. H.

INFORMATION BUREAU,

7th November, 1940.

J. E. Hender, Esq.,
COOMOORA, Vic.

Dear Mr. Hender,

I have carefully read your
letter of the 6th November.

It is difficult for me to offer
you any assistance to come to Melbourne for
treatment unless I am reasonably certain that
you are suffering from cancer. I should be
glad, therefore, if you would see your local
doctor and ask him to examine the swellings on
your face. If on examination he decides that
there is any suspicion of cancer of the skin, I
should be much obliged if he would communicate
with me.

If treatment in Melbourne,
rather than in Ballarat, is considered to be ess-
ential, I will then arrange it for you at one
of the public hospitals.

The treatment for the enlargement
of the prostate gland does not come into my province.

Yours faithfully,

C. V. Mackay, M.D.,
Executive Medical Officer.

CVM.MD

E. Hender
Coomoora
Victoria

6/11/40

Dear Sirs

In today's Sun, an article, Aiding
Cancer Sufferers, induces me to
write. My age is 60, up to 12 months
ago mining. Twelve months ago I
went into Balarat District Base
Hospital on acc of wine trouble,
from then I have been on Invalid
Pension. About 2 years previous
to going to said Hospital a small
pimple like lump came just under
my right eye, when in Hospital it
was about $\frac{1}{4}$ or $\frac{5}{8}$ of an inch in
diameter, I asked one of the Doctors
what he thought about it, he
never told me, he made very light
of it, saying, a very slight operation
would remove it but it would alter
your appearance considerably. I
said, Is't there some radium
treatment for the likes of it?
He said, yes there is but that
is very very costly. I asked him

a few more questions about it he assured me it was nothing to worry about, I could see plainly they didn't want to have anything to do with it, I presume it was because I was on Miners Ins at the time & had no cash. Now it is very much bigger & very red, at times it is very itchy. During the last few weeks another pimple (just the same as the big one started) about 1/2 inch away from it towards the temple, also a tiny one between the big one & the edge of the bottom eyelid. I have had experience of cancer in horses & cattle & I can assure you I don't like the look of this, It may not actually be a cancer yet, but I consider there is every likely-hood of it developing into a cancer. I wish I had the means of going
(please turn over)

to Melbourne for special
treatment of enlarged prostate
gland besides what I have
described.

I would be very grateful for any
possible assistance.

Sam Liss

Respectfully yours

J E Hender

2nd December, 1940.

The Manager & Secretary,
Horsham Base Hospital,
H O R S H A M.

Dear Sir,

Many thanks for the information
about the treatment of cancer cases which you
have so promptly supplied to me.

Yours faithfully,

C. V. Mackay, M.D.,
Executive Medical Officer.

CVM.MD

HORSHAM BASE HOSPITAL

INCORPORATED

W. H. SHOEBRIDGE,
SECRETARY

PHONE 29

ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO BE
ADDRESSED TO THE
SECRETARY

HORSHAM, 30th November, 1940.

Dr. C. V. Mackay,
Anti-Cancer Council of Victoria,
Spring Street,
MELBOURNE.

Dear Sir,

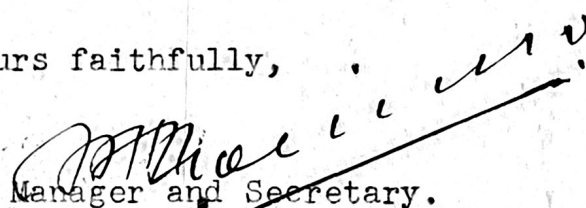
re Treatment of Cancer Cases in this
Hospital from 1. 1. 40 to date.

22 in-patients, 1 out-patient.

Treated as Follows:-

Skin 1; Tongue 2; Lip 4; Genito Urinary 3;
Gastro Entestinal 9; Mediast^{rum} 1; Breast 2; Ear 1; Total 23.

Yours faithfully,


Manager and Secretary.

2nd December, 1940.

The Manager,
Hamilton & District Base Hospital,
HAMILTON.

Dear Sir,

I received your letter to-day
in answer to my request for information about
cancer cases treated at your hospital since
last January.

I desire to thank you very much
for your trouble - your figures will be a help
to me.

Yours faithfully,

C. V. Mackay,
Executive Medical Officer.

Hamilton & District Base Hospital

WM. HUGHES MATTHEW, A.I.C.A., A.A.I.S.,
MANAGER AND SECRETARY

MATRON
RESIDENT MEDICAL OFFICER
FEMALE WARDS
INFECTIOUS DISEASES BLOCK

TELEPHONE 33
HAMILTON

MALE WARDS
CHILDREN'S WARD
MCKELLAR MATERNITY HOSPITAL

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TELEPHONE 129
HAMILTON

HAMILTON,

29th Nov., 1940,

Dr. C. V. Mackay,
Executive Medical Officer,
Anti-Cancer Council of Victoria,
C/o Royal Australasian College of Surgeons,
Spring St.
MELBOURNE. C.L.

Dear Doctor,

In reply to yours of the 28th inst. I hasten to advise as follows.

Total cases treated to date since 1/1/40 = 17,
Lung - 1 with Secondary in Brain.
Neck - 1
Rt. Leg - 1; Sarcoma.
Stomach - 4; 1 with Secondary Peritoneum & Cachexia.
Rectum - 2 1 with Secondary in Pelvis.
Pancreas-1
Prostate- 1
Lip - 1
Tongue - 1
Breast - 2
Ovaries - 2

Trusting this is as required.

Kindest regards.

Yours faithfully,

W. Marvort Baird
Manager.

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INFORMATION BUREAU,

25th November, 1940.

F. C. Hughes, Esq.,
Gray Street,
HAMILTON.

Dear Mr. Hughes,

I have much pleasure in answering your enquiry of the 23rd November. I am therefore enclosing a copy of a recent publication by the Anti-Cancer Council of Victoria entitled "What every adult should know about Cancer" and should give you the information which you require.

Yours faithfully,

C. V. Mackay, M.D.,
Executive Medical Officer.

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Camelton
23/11/40

Dear Sir

About a month ago I read an article on Cancer in the "Age" & having had two (2) relatives die of that complaint, wrote the Editor of the paper asking that they get the writer of that article to publish one on the prevention of same - In answer to my letter, I received one, suggesting that I write you on the subject, if you will kindly comply, or have one sent for publication

I am

yours truly
H. C. Hughes
Gray St

INFORMATION BUREAU,

13th November, 1940.

Mrs. Hazel V. Hogan,
Warrawong,
21 Vincent Street,
EAST MALVERN, S.E.6.

Dear Mrs. Hogan,

I received your letter asking me to make an appointment for you with Dr. Kaye-Scott.

I have seen Dr. Kaye-Scott and he has arranged for an appointment with you at 3.15 p.m. to-morrow (Thursday) at his rooms at 105 Collins Street, Melbourne. Please communicate with his rooms by telephone and inform his nurse if you are unable to keep this appointment.

Yours faithfully,

C. V. Mackay, M.D.,
Executive Medical Officer.

CVM.MD

13th November, 1940.

Dr. R. Kaye-Scott,
105 Collins-street,
MELBOURNE, C.I.

Dear Dr. Scott,

Mrs. Hazel V. Hogan, of Kulwin,
N.W. Mallee, has an appointment to see you at
3.15 tomorrow, Thursday, November 14th.

She is suffering from a small
swelling attached to the throat in the neigh-
bourhood of the larynx. This description is
by letter. Her age is 46 and she has symptoms
associated with a vaginal discharge suggestive
of the menopause.

Financial circumstances are, I
understand, very moderate. Husband is a Mallee
farmer and is having a bad season.

Sincerely yours,

(C. V. Mackay).

CVM.MD

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Marsawang
21 Vincent St
East Malvern. P. 8. 6

D: C. V. Mackay M.D.
Executive Medical Officer,
% Royal Aust. Coll. of Surgeons,
Spring St. Melb.

Dear Sir
Referring to your letter of Sep: 24th.
I am again in Melbourne (seeking employment), &
will be pleased to see any one of the doctors
you mention (D: R. Kaye Reath sounds nice & Scotch!)
on Thursday afternoon next, if you could arrange
an appointment after 2.30 o'clock.

A note to the above address
could reach me before I left for the City
Thursday morning.

Kind letter,

Thanking you for your
yours very faithfully,
Hazel V. Hogan

Mrs Hazel V. Hogan
KULWIN.
1. W. Malvern.

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24th September, 1940.

Mrs. Hazel V. Hogan,
Kulwin,
N.W. Mallee.

Dear Mrs. Hogan,

I have read your letter of the 21st September and have much pleasure in giving you my advice.

It is very difficult to dogmatise as to the causation or nature of the apparent growth on your throat. It may be, and probably is, quite harmless in nature, but the adherence to muscle or bone which you have described is not a satisfactory feature. There does not appear, however, to be any urgency as to the exact diagnosis. When you are in Melbourne it would be advisable to see a specialist. From the following short list you may choose one with complete confidence:-

Dr. Keith Colquhoun, 2 Collins Street, Melbourne;
Dr. John Kelly, 61 Collins Street, Melbourne;
Dr. John O'Sullivan, 49 Spring Street, Melbourne;
Dr. R. Kaye Scott, 105 Collins Street, Melbourne.

If you let me know beforehand which specialist you intend to visit, I will communicate with him, and place your circumstances before him. You need not, therefore, fear any excessive expense.

The other signs and symptoms as you have related them do not suggest a cancerous condition of the special female generative organs. You are probably right about the approach of the menopause, or "change of life." Unexplained bleeding is much more significant than a discharge, unless the latter is blood-stained and occurs between the periods. A special vaginal examination would clear up any doubts on the subject. This is a routine procedure by any competent medical practitioner and I would advise you to consult your local medical practitioner in the near future.

Please let me know at a later date if I can be of further assistance.

Yours faithfully,

C. V. Mackay, M.D.,
Executive Medical Officer,

Rep: 21st.

Kulwin.

N. W. Maller

Vic.

The Executive Medical Officer,
Anti-Cancer Council of Vic.
Royal Aust. College of Surgeons,
Melb.

Dear Sir / After reading your Handbook which I received this in hand of the County Women's Assn. I have decided to ask you advice re. a certain rather peculiar little growth (?) in my - or rather on - my throat, just above my "Adam's Apple".

This looks for all the world like the markings on a naval orange i.e. - a sort of circle within a circle, the skin above seems to be stuck on to some muscle or bone. At the time it just suddenly "happened" as tho' my throat had contracted & I put it down to my dog's paw (I had been playing with my dog) bruising my throat.

I have never had the slightest pain or ache, this happened over 12 months ago, the markings neither get worse nor disappear. But for its appearance I would never know anything about it. Only occasionally do I notice a sort of tightness about that region of my throat.

I told all this & showed it to a local doctor some time ago, also to a surgeon-dentist whom I was attending - and a nurse friend. But it seems to bother everyone. Friends included I decided to leave well alone & let nature do its own healing. That was last summer.

Last week I received your little handbook & have been - wondering. It might perhaps be advisable to consult someone next time I am in hell, but I can not afford (especially now as we wheat farmers are facing a disastrous drought) to "go the rounds" of doctor specialists if my little trouble will in time, right itself. Or do I want my throat cut, with a scar, maybe for the rest of my days. Would you advise me? Tell me what you think?

The other little trouble is quite personal - namely, I think, the pre-menstrual of my "change". For the last couple of years I have been troubled with "whites" - especially before & after my monthly periods. These at times are rather yellow in color & occasionally leave an odor.

"Whites" & bladder frequency have been my trouble ever since a girl, however. I have never worried much, being otherwise particularly

healthy & strong. I am 46 years of age, married,
to children, & on account of my husband's
general ill-health have had practically no
sexual intercourse for over twelve months.

I notice now, an occasional irregularity with
my calendar month. Up till now I have never
missed a month in my life! That's why I
regard these discharges, occasional
irregularities, as my m. coming charge.

No - I never have any pain, or headaches.
Practically nothing, save tiredness of course,
& general "off color" feeling.

Will you please regard my questions in
a private matter & advise me accordingly.

I live on a wheat & sheep small farm in
north-western Victoria. My husband is a
retired soldier. And your handbook invites
queries.

Thanking you in anticipation, &
hoping that my questions have covered 20
many pages,

Yours very faithfully,
(Mrs.) Hazel V. Hogan

24th October, 1940.

Dr. F. F. McMahon, M.B., B.S.,
Main Street,
LILYDALE.

Dear Dr. McMahon,

HUBBARD

Thank you very much for the
courtesy of your prompt reply to my enquiry
re Mrs. Hubbard.

The contents of your report
have been entered in the Cancer Register installed
at the Royal Melbourne Hospital by the Anti-Cancer
Council of Victoria. The Council is attempting
a statistical research into all cases of cancer
treated at the metropolitan public hospitals over
a period of years. Of course, patients are not
told their case is of interest to the Anti-Cancer
and they are approached through the hospital concerned.

Yours faithfully,

C. V. Mackay,
Executive Medical Officer,
Anti-Cancer Council of Victoria.

Yarra Glen

23.10.40

Mr. M. Hubbard.

Growth has
progressed. Wound
has broken down & discharged
pus (Colon infection)
General condition fair.
some anæmia.

Y. J. McMichael
M.D.

She is awaiting a bed
in the Austin Hospital.

A Mr. N. T. Howard rang.

He has a warty growth behind his ear which has caused him some concern. No treatment has been given. He wants to know the right way to go about getting treatment, ~~xxxxxx~~ and if it is a cancer.

I told him that (1) you might ring him up and discuss the matter or (2) that you might decide to write direct. If you write, he is going to communicate by letter first, giving his symptoms.

Telephone No. F4111, Ex. 218
(until 5 p.m.)

Address: C/o Public Control
Branch, Russell Street
Police Station.

*Telephone call
by OAM 4.10.65*

19th October, 1940.

The Editor,
"The Herald,"
Flinders Street,
MELBOURNE, C.I.

Dear Sir,

On behalf of the Anti-Cancer Council of Victoria I desire to express sincere appreciation of the very kind assistance which you have given, and I hope will continue to give, to the publicity campaign devoted to the early recognition and early treatment of cancer.

Many thanks for the publication of my article so fully and conspicuously in your issue of last Saturday.

With the present acute demands on newspaper space it is gratefully recognized that you have been most generous.

Yours sincerely,

C. V. Mackay, M.D.,
Executive Medical Officer.

CVM.MD

INFORMATION BUREAU,

2nd October, 1940.

Patrick J. Hession, Esq.,
State School 1989,
PICOLA.

Dear Mr. Hession,

I have much pleasure in enclosing the handbook on cancer prepared by the Anti-Cancer Council of Victoria.

If the skin cancer on your face persists after treatment I would advise you to consult a specialist. The usual fee for consultation and treatment varies from two to three guineas for the type of minor condition which you have specified. It is very difficult, however, to determine this without seeing the patch itself. You may consult any of the specialists on the following list with complete confidence:-

Dr. Keith Colquhoun, 2 Collins Street, Melbourne;
Dr. J. B. Kelly, 61 Collins Street, Melbourne;
Dr. John O'Sullivan, 49 Spring Street, Melbourne;
Dr. R. Kaye Scott, 105 Collins Street, Melbourne;
Dr. Frank Stephens, 12 Collins Street, Melbourne;
Dr. R. R. Wettenhall, 14 Parliament Place, East Melbourne.

Yours faithfully,

C. V. Mackay, M.D.,
Executive Medical Officer,
Anti-Cancer Council of Victoria.

CVM:MD

State School No. 1989, Picola

30/9/40

The Secretary,
Royal Australasian College of Surgeons,
Spring St., Melbourne.

Dear Sir,

I beg to apply for your booklet
"What Every Adult Should Know About Cancer."

I have on my cheek a small red
patch which a doctor told me was a form
of skin cancer. I am at present
applying to it a paint recommended
by a chemist.

If the paint should fail to remove it,
I would like to know if I could get advice
and treatment through your surgeons,
and at what cost?

Appreciating your valuable work and
thanking you in anticipation

Yours Sincerely,
Patrick J. Stessio

Wouwoodah
Via Horsham

The Secretary
Royal Australian College of Surgeons
Spring Street
Melbourne

Dear Sir

I notice in the Horsham Times that your Association is offering a hand book entitled "Whatever adult should know about Cancer". It reads as if it is only for doctors and I was wondering if it would be possible for me to get one. I would be prepared to buy one, as I lost my husband recently from cancer & feel as if I would like to know a lot about the cause & cure of that dreadful complaint; Trusting that I am not troubling you too much

I am
Yours Faithfully
Mrs M. J. Heynes
Wouwoodah
Via Horsham

6th September, 1940.

B. F. Huntsman, Esq.,
Chemist,
624 Burke Road,
CAMBERWELL, E.6.

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Dear Mr. Huntsman,

My Council is very pleased to forward to you the twenty-five copies of our handbook on cancer for distribution in the Camberwell district.

Many thanks for your interest in this work.

Mr. MacGibbon has kindly consented to deliver them to you.

Yours sincerely,

C. V. Mackay, M.D.,
Executive Medical Officer,
Anti-Cancer Council of Victoria.

CMC.MD

~~Noted~~
624 Burke Road,
Camberwell. E6
Sep 4th 1940.

Royal Aus. College of Surgeons
Melb.

Dear Sir,

Would you kindly make available to me about 25 copies of the booklet entitled "What every adult should know about cancer" for free distribution to interested people in the Camberwell district.

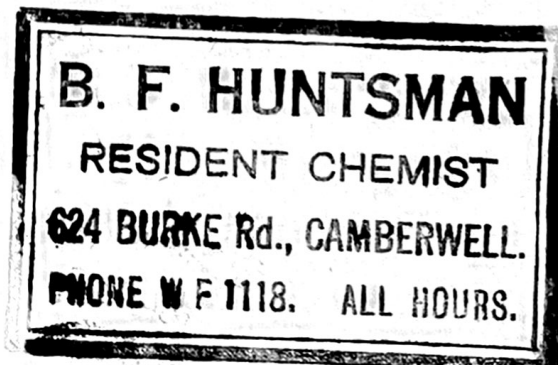
I would be pleased if you would advise me when it would be convenient to call for them.

Thanking you in anticipation,

Yours Truly,

B. F. Huntsman

Not exped.



31st August, 1940.

HEATH

Dr. M. H. Box,
"Riachella,"
Buckley Street,
Footscray, W.11.

Dear Dr. Box,

Many thanks for your report re

Mr. A. J. Heath.

It is most interesting to learn
that he is working at full capacity.

I shall pass your information
on to Mr. Syme.

Yours sincerely,

(C. V. Mackay).

Enc.

CVM.MD

31st August, 1940.

Mr. G. R. A. Syme,
Royal Melbourne Hospital.

Dear Mr. Syme,

I am enclosing a copy of a letter from Dr. Box of Footscray giving his account of the present condition of your patient, Mr. A. J. Heath.

This man was discharged from the in-patient department on the 26/6/39, having been diagnosed histologically as Carcinoma of the Bladder. You treated the growth by diathermy.

Yours faithfully,

(C. V. Mackay.)

CVM.MD

Riachella

Buckley Street

Footscray, M.11

30.8.60

Dear Dr Mackay,

It is only quite recently that I ~~was~~ had an interview. Mr A. J. Heath when he informed me that he had no urinary symptoms, was working at full capacity at the Gas Works & that his weight had increased & although this statement is open to correction up to 13 stone.

I impressed upon him the advisability of his reporting at regular periods to the Hospital but I presume the economic factor is responsible for his remission as it may necessitate the loss of time & interference with his income. With all these disadvantages I shall have a serious talk with him. He is rather a cheerful optimist for he presented himself for life insurance Exam. Much to my astonishment

Yours faithfully
M H Box

INFORMATION BUREAU.

August 23rd, 1940.

William Hill, Esq.,
128 Church Street,
Hawthorn, E.2.

Dear Mr. Hill,

I regret that it is almost impossible to give you any advice of value without an examination of your lip. I would recommend you, therefore, to see your local medical practitioner at an early date, or to attend the Royal Melbourne Hospital or St. Vincent's Hospital for an examination.

Yours faithfully,

C. V. Mackay, M.D.,
Executive Medical Officer,
Anti-Cancer Council of Victoria.

CVM.MD

128 Church Street
Hawthorn E.2.

22 - 8 - 40

Dear Sirs,

I have a small blue pimple on my lip only about $\frac{1}{8}$ " diameter. It has been there about five months and does not appear to be getting any bigger or smaller. Some days it feels a bit hot and then again I forget its there but it does not seem if it is going to disappear.

Some months previous I bit my lip while eating on the same spot, a blue pimple appeared then just as quickly it disappeared

I have false teeth, am 60 years old, a non smoker, a very moderate drinker, have excellent health. Trusting to have your advice on the matter

I remain

Yours faithfully
William Hill

INFORMATION BUREAU

August 15, 1940.

Mrs. A. A. Howard,
17 Maltravers Road,
IVANHOE.

Dear Mrs. Howard,

I am very pleased to answer your enquiry of the 14th August.

The growth on your tongue must be examined and diagnosed without delay. This is very important.

You may have this examination made by a specialist at his rooms in Collins Street or, if your financial means are insufficient for this purpose, you may obtain the same opinion at one of the public hospitals.

I enclose a short and incomplete list of the names of specialists from which you may choose.

Mr. Henry Searby, 14 Parliament Place, Melbourne, C.2,

Mr. A. J. Trinca, 12 Collins Street, Melbourne, C.1,

Dr. Kaye-Scott, 105 Collins Street, Melbourne, C.1,

Dr. Frank Stephens, 12 Collins Street, Melbourne

Dr. John O'Sullivan, 49 Spring Street, Melbo

The Public hospitals are the Royal Melbourne Vincent's and the Alfred.

Yours faithfully,

C. V. Mackay, M.D.,
Executive Medical Officer, Anti-Cancer Council

17 Maltravers Rd.
Luanhoe.

Aug. 14th. 40.

Dr. Mc Kay

Dear Sir,

I have been troubled by a growth on the tongue, which has been gradually getting worse, and which I first noticed about three months ago

I was advised to call at the "Surgeons College" Spring St. where ~~to~~ have it examined, where the lady in the office informed me that it was necessary to write to you in the first instance for an appointment.

The trouble may not be serious, but there is always a doubt.

Enclosed please find addressed envelope for reply.

Yrs Sincerely

Wm. A. A. Howard.

INFORMATION BUREAU.

8th August, 1940.

D. F. Harvey, Esq.,
Conness Street,
Chiltern.

Dear Mr. Harvey,

I have received your third letter this morning. It is to be regretted that I cannot make arrangements for your treatment in Melbourne in consultation with your local doctor.

I am now submitting to you a short and incomplete list of the names of radio-therapeutic specialists in Melbourne who treat ulceration of the lip by other means than surgical excision. The names are as follows:

Dr. R. Kaye Scott, 105 Collins Street, Melbourne,

Dr. John O'Sullivan, 49 Spring Street, Melbourne,

Dr. Frank Stephens, 12 Collins Street, Melbourne.

I feel certain that one of these three will be able to make an appointment for you early on Saturday morning. I would advise you, therefore, to send a pre-paid reply telegram to whichever specialist you decide to visit, and ask for an appointment at 9.30 Saturday morning.

The dosage of radium to be used - if this treatment is considered to be essential - has to be carefully calculated according to the size of the ulcerated area to be treated. This calculation may take some little time.

You may show this letter if you desire and I should be glad to hear of your progress.

Yours faithfully,

C. V. MACKAY, M.D.,
Executive Medical Officer,
Anti-Cancer Council of Victoria.

CVM.MD

INFORMATION BUREAU

5th August, 1940.

D. F. Harvey, Esq.,
Conness Street,
Chiltern.

Dear Mr. Harvey,

It is very difficult for me to give you definite advice without medical knowledge of the condition of your lip. I would be greatly helped if you saw the local medical practitioner at Chiltern, and if you asked him to communicate with me. Then I should be in a position to judge whether we were dealing with a simple ulceration or with a cancerous one.

Treatment at a public hospital in Melbourne during a week-end would only be possible if the condition was small and simple. It would, however, be possible for a specialist to treat you on a Saturday morning, and to arrange for your return on Monday, provided that the ulceration was not too extensive.

Without knowing the nature of the ulceration or your financial circumstances I am quite unable to give you advice of real value. Your time for treatment is so limited that arrangements are going to be very difficult.

Please give me further information so that I may be in a better position to help you.

Yours faithfully,

G. W. MACKEY, M.D.
Executive Medical Officer.

Corners St.
Chilein

4/2/40

Dear Sir

Thanks so much for your
letter of advice

I wonder if it would be
possible to make arrangements for me
to have attention Sat. morn: before
dinner I could come off to home.
any time before 12 o'clock. Sat. morn.

I will travel to Melbourne
Friday night & would like to get
back Sunday if possible

If you can make arrangements for Sat.
I will just have to wait until
Monday morn: before 12 o'clock

I can only get away during
the week end.

Trusting you will try & oblige
with the arrangements as near this
time as possible

awaiting your reply
Yours etc

D & Harney
D. & HARVIE

Connors St
Chilteon

Dear Sir

After reading an article in
the Argus Monday
I feel I would like to enquire
your advice on, an ulceration of
the lip which I have had for
some time & does seem to be healed

awaiting your reply
Yours etc

D & Hanny.

D F HARVEY
CONNORS ST
CHILTEON

Recd.
31.7.40
D.F.H.

29th 7. 40

To Mr Mackay

Sir


I have been troubled with severe pains in Stomach, for years have been decaying. The Doctor's opinion is Gastric Ulcer but cannot say definitely. During the past 18 months I have lost weight, and lately I seem to be worse & am unable to work; and would like your advice on the matter.

Yours faithfully

J. Hassett

20 Hanover St.

Stratford In. Co.

Repld.

31.7.40

INFORMATION BUREAU.

15th July, 1940.

J. W. Hardie, Esq.,
15 Ferndale Road,
CAMBERWELL.

Dear Mr. Hardie,

I am pleased to reply to
your second letter of the 26th June.

I discussed your condition
with Dr. Hill on the telephone and I understood
that he would communicate with you.

If Dr. Hill recommends X-ray
treatment for your condition he will probably
give you a letter to one of the metropolitan public
hospitals. St. Vincent's, the Alfred and the
Royal Melbourne Hospitals all have special treat-
ment facilities for this purpose.

Yours faithfully,

C. V. MACKAY, M.D.,
Executive Medical Officer,
Anti-Cancer Council of Victoria.

CVM.MD

Telephone conversation with Dr. Hill
1.7.40 re this. com.

Camberwell
15 Ferndale Road
26.6.40

Dr. Mackay Dear Sir

Received your

memo. re. the matter I wrote you about
a few weeks ago, & took your advice &
saw my local D.O., who wished me to
tell you to ring him up, & he would be
pleased to give you any information
re. my complaint. He thinks the x-ray
treatment may be of some benefit
to me but would like to talk the
matter over with you. Trusting to hear
from you again, or may be the D.O. may
write to me again after discussing
the matter with you

Yours respectfully

J. W. Hardie

P.S. The address is

D. Hill
corner of Albion R. & High St. Glen Iris

10th June, 1940.

INFORMATION BUREAU.

J. W. Hardie, Esq.,
8 Waterloo Street,
CAMBERWELL, E.6.

Dear Mr. Hardie,

I find considerable difficulty
in answering your enquiry.

My advice to you is to consult
your local medical practitioner, and I shall be
pleased to give him any assistance regarding
deep X-ray therapy treatment.

You may show him this letter.

Yours faithfully,

C. V. MACKAY, M.D.,
Executive Medical Officer,
Anti-Cancer Council of Victoria

P.S. Thanks for the enclosed stamp.

CVM.MD

address J. W. Hardie Cambeswell
S.E.C. 8 Waterloo Street
6.6.40

The
Anti-Cancer Council of Victoria
109a Riv

As I have
been troubled with a sort of growth
on my nasal, I have attended
Lons medical men in Collins St.
but have got no satisfaction as yet
to the nature of the growth. I
am writing to you in association to
advise me as regards you & Ray
treatment & what would be best
to do about same.

Trusting I hear from you at an
early date

I am Yours Respectfully J. W. Hardie

13th June, 1940.

Information Bureau.

Mrs. Alice Hallett,
Claude Street,
FRANKSTON.

Dear Mrs. Hallett,

I find great difficulty in giving you a satisfactory answer to your letter of the 8th of June.

In my opinion you should communicate with the Naval authorities before you take any steps to obtain outside medical advice.

Ask the Naval authorities why Mr. Hallett was discharged from the Navy, what was the medical diagnosis, and what treatment is recommended by them for his present condition.

If you are unable to obtain a satisfactory reply at an early date I would recommend him to consult a local medical practitioner, or to attend the out-patient medical department of the Alfred Hospital in Commercial Road, Prahran.

Yours faithfully,

(C. V. Mackay, M.D.,)
Executive Medical Officer,
Anti-Cancer Council of Victoria.

CVM.MD

Claude St
Frankston
Vic.
June 8th 1940

Dear Sir,

I would like to ask your advice regarding my husband. He has been ill for some months and I was wondering if cancer of the stomach was his complaint. He has been under medical care for five months. in Darwin, Caulfield, under Dr Quick and. Ilanders Naval Depot, under Dr McLean. said to be the son of Dr McLean attached to your college. I will give you an outline on his case as far as I am able,

My husband is aged 38 years and has served 17 years. in the Royal Australian Navy. in various parts of the world. including long spells in the tropics, while stationed at China in 1924 he had an accident which resulted in an operation in the groin, since then he has continually had a lump. in the left groin, about July 1939. this lump.

and ~~white~~ fluid about. The consistency
clear & with a very strong smell of iodine
came from it. Since then he has had no
further trouble. About September of last year
he began to vomit after eating, about
once a day usually. In October he sailed
for Darwin and for three weeks was
not troubled with vomiting but about
the end of the month he became so bad
that he was sent to the military Hospital
at Darwin. where he was X-rayed & stomach
tests were taken, by December he had
not improved & was sent by plane to
Caulfield Hospital, where he was again X-rayed
& had more stomach tests. In January he
was transferred to Flinders Naval Depot hospital
where I believe he was also X-rayed & the
same stomach tests were taken, but each
time he asked what was causing this
vomiting he could not get a satisfactory
answer. He was finally discharged from
the Navy on Feb 24th 1940 & since that
date has brought up almost every meal
he has eaten & just this last three weeks

12th June, 1940.

Follow-up Department.

Mrs. Ann Hallett,
30 Garfield Street,
CHELTENHAM, S.22.

Dear Mrs. Hallett,

As Monday, 17th June, is being kept up as a holiday at the Royal Melbourne Hospital your appointment with Dr. Wettenhall has been made for Monday, 24th inst.

Dr. Wettenhall's Clinic starts at 9 a.m.

When you have seen the doctor make sure that your next appointment is marked on the small appointment-card and please let the clerk at the desk in the Out-Patients' Hall know of this time and date, so that unnecessary correspondence may be avoided.

Yours faithfully,

C. V. MACKAY, M.D.,

30 Garfield St.
S22, Sheltenham
7. 6. 40

W^o C. V. Mackay

Dear Sir

I ~~can~~ have
just received your letter asking me
to attend the Hospital re the
treatment that I received ~~for~~
for Rodent Ulcer, I must
apologize for not coming in but
as we have shifted from Highbury
& I am working I received the
letter so late to attend, if it
is convenient I will come in
on the 14th ^{inst.} Monday week. if it
is a holiday ^{not} for the Hospital I
will come in the following Monday
22nd June, would it be too much
to ask you if you would let me know
whether Monday the 14th is a holiday
as I have to arrange about my work.

Yours Faithfully
C. H. Allett,

Warrnambool

June 14/40

Dr C.V.Mackay
Anti-Cancer Council

Received
18/6/40

Dear Dr Mackay

Time I replied re Mrs Budd.
Yours May 27th. Dr Berryman is looking after her whilst I am 'campaigning'. The gland condition developed & increased rapidly: have had to start Morphia, which the daughter gives, & at present manages fairly well: it is hardly necessary to send Austin, as am afraid no therapy will benefit, & later we can transfer to local Hospital p.r.n..

To my observation this is a case in which radio therapy stimulated.

Yours sincerely

Horace J. Adams

See what I am trying to do for the Medical Profession: they are not all backing me.

27th May, 1940.

Dr. H. I. Holmes, M.D., F.R.A.C.S.,
WARRNAMBOOL.

Dear Dr. Holmes,

Your patient, Mrs. C. Budd, of
68 Koroit Street, Warrnambool, has written to me
about her malignant condition.

I have been in communication
with Dr. Kaye Scott, who informs me that he has
written to you on the subject of her treatment.

I enclose a copy of Dr. Kaye
Scott's letter and I have written to Mrs. Budd
(copy of letter enclosed).

Do you think it would be advisable
to obtain a bed at the Austin Hospital for her?

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

C. V. MACKAY, M.D.,

Executive Medical Officer,
Anti-Cancer Council of Victoria.

CVM:MD

24th May, 1940.

Information Bureau,

S. J. Hovey, Esq.,
Woomelang.

Dear Mr. Hovey,

I am pleased to answer your enquiry
of the 20th May.

If you have no local medical
practitioner who is attending your wife I shall
be pleased to advise you on receipt of a further
letter from you. I should, however, greatly
prefer you to see the local doctor, and if he
desires my help I will give him all the information
concerning the treatment of cancer in my power.

Yours faithfully,

C. V. MACKAY, M.D.,

Executive Medical Officer,
Anti-Cancer Council of Victoria.

CVM.MD

Woomelang
20/5/40

To Cancer Information Bureau,

Sir's

In reference to the cutting from paper attached regarding the diagnosis of cancer.

My wife is in bad health and has been for a number of years, and has had much medical attention

We have reason to believe the symptoms are those of cancer.

If further details were sent to your college would you advise us on the matter.

I am writing you this without the knowledge of my wife as she is worrying a good deal over the matter at present.

You will find enclosed a stamped addressed envelope for reply.

Envelope addressed to W. J. Doherty Woomelang, who will hand me the letter without my wife knowing about it.

Thanking you for a reply

Yours truly

S. J. Hobey.

Woomelang.

Howard

3rd May, 1940.

Dr. Edward Spring, M.B., B.S.,
182 Sydney Road,
COBURG, N.13.

Dear Dr. Spring,

Thank you for the courtesy
of your information re Mrs. Edith Howard.

The contents of your note
have been filed in the Register of the Anti-
Cancer Council dealing with patients from the
Royal Melbourne Hospital.

Yours faithfully,

C. V. MACKAY.

CVM.MD

EDWARD SPRING

HOURS:
9 TO 10
1 TO 2
6.30 TO 7.30
SAT. & SUN
9 TO 10
1 TO 2

received
3.5.40

CR. 318

TEL. F.W. 8220

THE ANGLES,
SYDNEY ROAD,
COBURG, N.13

1.5.40

Re Mrs Ernest Howard dec^d } ?-April

This patient died on 2.5.40

After discharge from the U. H. she
complained of increased difficulty in
swallowing with progressive loss of weight
for about a month previous to her death.
She could swallow practically no food.

Edward Spring

CVH/NA

6th May, 1940.

Cancer Information Bureau

Miss D. Howell,
79 Mason Street,
SOUTH YARRA. S.E.1

Dear Miss Howell,

I am pleased to have the opportunity of helping you in any way.

The symptoms which you have enumerated in your letter do not, in my opinion, suggest the presence of cancer. You will understand I am sure that it is impossible to be definite in correspondence.

It is certain that you need a complete examination by a specialist in diseases of women. I would recommend you to attend the Queen Victoria Hospital (staffed entirely by women) or the Women's Hospital in Carlton. At either of these institutions you will be carefully examined and the best modern treatment prescribed for you.

You may show this letter.

Yours faithfully,



C. V. Mackay, M.D.,
Executive Medical Officer.

79 Mason Street
St. Lucia.
30/4/40.

Dear Sir

Being so worried over my health, & reading in the paper you will answer inquiries in regards to it, thought, I would ask as I am too frightened to go to a Dr. as bad as I feel, as I seem to suffer so much. Ist of all I am no letter writer so please excuse mistakes a etc, but I'll do my best to explain the whole position to you. I work in a factory all day sitting, & I am nearly belly with a pain in the small of my back, & more so after every month, I have been sick for about 10 days to 12 days. I am losing a awful discharge which the (order) order is not very nice & I can not get home quick enough for clean cloths to put on, it is pure white (stuff) stuff & has blood in it & as I said in the above the order would

make one sick, I would like to
 tell you more plainly but can
 not spell the words to do so.
 I think it is by far ^{better} to be further
 in a case like this, I have
 never done any wrong in my
 life in regards to try & the
 price of children. I have felt
 so ill this last week, I have not
 been able to go to my work
 which is the boat trade & always
~~to~~ being this awful pain. my
 head at head head for months &
 yet they say I don't want glasses.
 I can not sleep to food for the
 pain in my back. I would like
 far sooner hear by letter to
 get by a pill to my face I
 had any think like other, I am
 alone in the world & I might take
 in fact, sure I would take & do all
 I can ~~not~~ suffer like my brother
 did, if you thought it was anything
 like that, looking forward to
 & early reply.

Yours Truly,
 (Miss) D Howell

CVM/MA

7th May, 1940.

Cancer Information Bureau

Mrs. A. S. Harrison,
"Kalima",
Maubra,
Via BALLARAT. VIC.

Dear Mrs. Harrison,

I am very pleased to have the opportunity of answering your enquiry of the 2nd of May.

There are not many signs or symptoms of cancer of the breast, but the principal ones are as follows:

- (1) Any painless lump or swelling which may be noticed accidentally.
- (2) Any discharge from the nipple.
- (3) Any indrawing of the nipple.
- (4) A definite change in the general size of the breast.

The most common is the small painless lump usually noticed in the upper and outer quarter of the breast. Sore and tender breasts are not, as a rule, cancerous.

If in any doubt ask your local doctor to make a careful examination.

Yours faithfully,

C. V. Mackay, M.D.
Executive Medical Officer.

M^{rs} A. E. Harrison
"Kalimna"
Waubra
2/5/1940

To

Royal Australasian College of Surgeons.

Dear Sirs

On seeing
an item re "Cancer Research" in an issue of the
Sun last month, about people getting attention to
cancerous growths in early stages.

I am writing to ask you the symptoms of
"Cancer of the breast". I don't say I have this
complaint, but am worried this last month
with very sore & tender breasts, no pain, although
a sort of contraction now & again, almost
sure I am not pregnant, if so it is since 18th April.

I have always had sore breast since I was
fourteen, a week before menstruation time,
I am, what I think very healthy always feel
well, never suffer with a headache & have only
had the doctor for the birth of my two children.
I am 37 years of age.

Wishing your College every success in
your Research work.

I am
Yours faithfully
Mary. J. Harrison

3rd. May, 1940.

Mrs. K. Hoppe,
69 Geelong Road,
BALLARAT.

Dear Mrs. Hoppe,

I am pleased to have the
opportunity of helping you.

My advice would be to go
direct to the Ballarat Base Hospital, and
ask if you could consult one of the out-
patient surgeons there. You have an excellent
hospital at Ballarat, and there is no necessity
to come to Melbourne unless the surgeons at
Ballarat recommend such a course.

Yours faithfully,

C. V. MACKAY, M.D.,

Executive Medical Officer,
Anti-Cancer Council of Victoria.

CVM.MD

69 Geelong Rd

Ballarat

29.11.40

'Cancer Information Bureau.'

The Royal Australasian College of Surgeons,
Spring Street, Melbourne C.1.

I should be grateful if you could help me in this matter. Nearly eight years ago, (just after my son was born) I had an 'abscess' which was opened and treated by a Doctor who has now left Ballarat. I had three or four in succession after that in the same place, and used to treat them myself with an ointment prescribed. For two or three years I was not troubled. But during the past two or three years, have been worried from time to time, with distinctly uneasy sensations, and sometimes a slight nagging pain which, although never very bad, is troublesome and depressing. Especially as I had a breast removed at the Royal Melbourne Hospital in 1938.

That operation, however was nothing
to do with the matter I am inquiring
about. Would you kindly let me
know who would be the best man
to consult in Ballarat? As I am
very badly off financially, perhaps I
should go as an 'out patient' to the
Base Hospital, if so whom should
I ask for? Or do you advise my
coming to Melbourne?

Hoping to hear from you
Yours Faithfully
Kathleen Hoppe

20th April, 1940.

Mrs. E. J. Hunter,
5 Scott Street,
BELMONT.

Dear Mrs. Hunter,

I have pleasure in answering your enquiry of the 16th of April.

As you are unable to pay doctors' fees, it would be best for you to attend the out-patient department of a public hospital.

In your case I should advise the Geelong Base Hospital or the Royal Melbourne Hospital at the corner of Lonsdale and Swanston Streets, Melbourne. I feel certain that you will get satisfactory treatment for your condition at either of these hospitals.

Yours faithfully,

C. V. MACKAY, M.D.,
Executive Medical Officer,
Anti-Cancer Council of Victoria.

CVM.MD

5 Scott Street
Belmont
nr Geelong
Vic

April 16, 1940

Dear Sirs

On Saturday 14th I saw a par in the Sun, that you would answer inquiries concerning cancer. I believe I have one. In fact 2 years ago I was advised to go to Melbourne and see to it. I have had it about 8 years on the skin of my neck and it is at times sore. I am 50 years old, and I would be glad if I knew where to get attention as I am quite unable to pay doctors fees that is why I have neglected it. As you know Spelicasts fees are out of the question for the lower paid workers I also could not go into hospital, and I know so little about sickness, but my chemist told me to go to someone who could help me now before its too late. Any information you can give me will be gratefully accepted. for which I am enclosing a stamped envelope.

yours respectfully
E. J. Hunter (Mrs)

18th April, 1940.

Mrs. H. Hawksworth,
114 Holmes Road,
MOONEE PONDS.

Dear Mrs. Hawksworth,

I am enclosing some
information about cancer and I hope that it will
meet your wishes.

Yours faithfully,

C. V. MACKAY, M.D.,

(Executive Medical Officer,
Anti-Cancer Council of Victoria)

CVM.MD

114 Holmes Rd.
Moonee Ponds
14/4/40

Dear Sirs
I kindly send me
pamphlets re information on Cancer.
as advised in Saturdays Sun
13/4/40.

Yr oblige

Yours sincerely
(Mrs) H. Hawksworth

P.S. My Mother died recently of Cancer

Dear Mrs Hawksworth

I am sending you some information
about Cancer and I hope that it will meet
your wishes.
Yours sincerely

- ① Booklet by Professor Walsh.
- ② One typewritten sheet.

Ms Edith HOWARD
318.

ROYAL MELBOURNE HOSPITAL,
XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Lonsdale xxxx

15th April, 1940.

Dr. E. E. J. Spring, M.B., B.S.,
182 Sydney Road,
COBURG, N.15.

Dear Dr. Spring,

Would it be possible for you to let me have some information about one of your patients, Mrs. Edith Howard, 8 Flinders Street, Coburg? This lady was an in-patient at the Royal Melbourne Hospital from 24th November 1939 to 6th January 1940 and was operated upon for carcinoma of the stomach.

As she was treated for carcinoma since the Anti-Cancer Council of Victoria commenced its Cancer Register, her case comes under its follow-up section. Information regarding Mrs. Howard may be requested at six-monthly intervals.

A stamped addressed envelope is enclosed.

Thanking you in anticipation,

I am,

Yours faithfully,

Enc.

C. V. MACKAY, M.D.,
Executive Medical Officer,
Anti-Cancer Council of Victoria.

4th April, 1940.

Norman Hoyt, Esq.,
105a Little Graham Street,
ALBERT PARK, S.C.6.

Dear Mr. Hoyt,

I enclose a publication and a type-written list of signs and symptoms which should be of interest to you.

I have recently been visiting all the Base Hospitals of Victoria, and I am forwarding to you a marked copy of "The Gippsland Times" of the 18th March containing an article by me on cancer.

Any help which you can give me Council in the way of public education in your circle of friends and acquaintances would be greatly appreciated.

Yours faithfully,

C. V. MACKAY, M.D.,

Executive Medical Officer,
Anti-Cancer Council of Victoria.

Enc.

Dr G. T. Mc Kay,
Executive,
Anti-cancer Council,
Well. Hosp. C.I.

105a. St Graham St,
Albert Park.
N. B. B.
3. 2. 4c.

Dear Sir,

I have been referred to you
by the Royal Australasian
College of Surgeons, Spring St.

I am lead to believe that the
Anti-cancer Council publishes
a pamphlet on cancer, such as
symptoms, ramifications,
treatment etc and that such pub-
-lications were available to the
general public for their education
on this matter. — if this is
correct, may I have a copy,
for my own edification and in-
formation. (stamp is enclosed.)

I think everyone, as citizens
should be in possession of such
facts.

If there is any charge for
this publication, kindly advise.

I am

Dear Sir
(MR) Norman Coyt

28th March, 1940.

A. Henderson, Esq.,
Box 50,
C. T. A.,
MELBOURNE, C.I.

Dear Mr. Henderson,

If you are in a financial position to consult a physician in the Collins Street area I would recommend any one from the following list:-

Dr. F. B. Lawton, 2 Collins Street, Melbourne;

Dr. S. O. Cowen, 12 Collins Street, Melbourne;

Dr. W. S. Newton, 14 Parliament Place, Melbourne;

Dr. M. D. Silberberg, 14 Collins Street, Melbourne.

If you wish to attend a public hospital to consult a physician on the Out-patient staff I should advise the Royal Melbourne Hospital or St. Vincent's Hospital.

Yours faithfully,

C. V. MACKAY, M.D.,

Executive Medical Officer,
Anti-Cancer Council of Victoria.

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26/3/40

To C. V. Mackay M.D.
AFFILIATED CLUB OF THE U.C.T.A.A.

Dear Sir In Reply to yours
of 20th March

Have some
affection of the stomach & bowels
as an example I have very light
meals in the evening but after 7 to
8 hours in bed, I go to bed about
8 pm I get a very dry & parched
feeling in the mouth. Please explain
to me the cause of this My tongue is
^{always} ~~white~~ ^{white} & I intend and would feel
greatly obliged if you as you mention
as to what Hospital or Consultant

Physician I should consult

Yours Very Sincerely
Thanking you in
anticipation
A Henderson
Box 50 CTA
Melbourne

A. Henderson Esq.

Dear Sir

If you are in a financial position to consult a physician in the Collins St. area I would recommend anyone from the following:-

1) Dr. F. B. Lawton.

2 Collins St. Melb.

2) Dr. S. O. Cowen.

12 Collins St. Melb.

3) Dr. W. S. Newton

14 Parliament Place

4) Dr. M. O. Silberberg.

14 Collins St. Melb.

If you wish to attend a public hospital & consult a physician on the out-patient staff I should advise The Royal Melb. Hosp. or St. Vincent's Hospital. Yours faithfully.

20th March, 1940.

A. Henderson, Esq.,
Box 50, C. T. A.,
Flinders Street,
MELBOURNE, C.I.

Dear Mr. Henderson,

I am glad to be able to reply
to your letter of enquiry of the 19th of March.

I have read your letter carefully
and can find no indication in it that you are
suffering from any form of cancer.

It is very difficult, however, to
make any important deduction from symptoms as con-
veyed in a letter, and my advice would be to seek
the opinion of a competent physician either at a
public hospital or in the Collins Street area.

Should you desire any further
advice as to which hospital to attend or which
physician to see I shall be pleased to help you.

Yours sincerely,

C. V. MACKAY, M.D.,
Executive Medical Officer,
Information Bureau,
Anti-Cancer Council of Victoria.

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AFFILIATED CLUB OF THE U.C.T.A.A.

19/3/40

To The
Royal Australasian College of Surgeons
Melbourne
Sir,

In Reply to your suggestion I
wish to say that for the past
5 months I have had an uncomfortable
feeling in the stomach & bowels I have
lost about 10 lb in weight I pass a
lot of wind my sleep is disturbed by
eccentric dreams that I afterwards cannot
remember plainly. I pass water
frequently and at times with some restriction
I have been trying to diet my self with
light food & milk &c for many
years I have had nasal catarrh but
I have recently cured that with salt
& carbonate of soda
I am 78 years of age my weight was
125 it is now 118

I would be very pleased if you
could advise me

Thanking you in anticipation
Yours faithfully

A Henderson
Box 50 CTA
Flinders St Melbourne

ROYAL MELBOURNE HOSPITAL,

Lonsdale -----

27th March, 1940.

Dr. Maxwell Hoban,
MARYBOROUGH.

Dear Dr. Hoban,

I am writing to you with reference to a patient of yours, Mrs. Mary McArdle. She was in Ward 2 at the Royal Melbourne Hospital under Mr. Turner.

A biopsy was made of the mass of tissue in the right thigh. An examination showed "young and active spindle cell sarcoma apparently of connective tissue origin."

Arrangements have been made for her to have deep X-ray therapy from Dr. Kaye Scott.

With kind regards to Mrs. Hoban and yourself,

Yours sincerely,

C. V. MACKAY.

P.S. A complication is the presence of mild diabetes mellitus. Fasting blood sugar 0.13%.

CVM.MD

ROYAL MELBOURNE HOSPITAL,
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Lonsdale XXXXX

20th February, 1940.

Dr. Hoban,
Maryborough, Vic.

Dear Dr. Hoban,

Re Michael Cudmore, Avoca.

Epithelioma of Lip.

Some time in May of last year you saw this patient and recommended him to visit Mr. J. B. Turner of 71 Collins Street, Melbourne. Mr. Turner referred him to Dr. Kaye Scott at the Royal Melbourne Hospital, where he was treated with radon on the 1st June.

Since that date he has disappeared from the knowledge of the clinic, and letters have drawn no reply. Do you know anything of him?

Kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

*Answered 28.2.40 - see card.
letter attached Mr Turner's O.P. card
copy to R.O.P.*

C. V. MACKAY, M.D.
Executive Medical Officer,
Anti-Cancer Council.

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