

**Anti-Cancer Council
of Victoria**

**Report and
Accounts**



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SPRING STREET, MELBOURNE, C.1.

President's Report

As President of the Anti-Cancer Council of Victoria, I have pleasure in submitting the Sixth Annual Report for the twelve months ended 30th June, 1942.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

During the period under review the Executive Committee has experienced some difficulty in continuing the normal activities of the Council. These difficulties have arisen directly as a result of the war.

Treatment Facilities.—Further grants have been made to public hospitals for the improvement of treatment facilities for cancer sufferers. When the Anti-Cancer Council made its public appeal for funds it was stated that the improvement of treatment facilities would be one of the first aims of the Council. The Executive Committee is of the opinion that this promise to the public has been honoured. It is interesting to note that public hospitals have already received the sum of £7,127 towards the purchase of new and modern treatment equipment. In addition, the sum of £5,000 has been allotted to two hospitals and is available to them immediately the new plants, which are on order, are installed.

A further sum of £7,496 16s. 4d. has been expended in connection with the work of the Commonwealth X-ray and Radium Laboratory at the University of Melbourne. The work of this Laboratory is of great assistance to the public hospitals, and is a direct contribution towards the improvement of treatment facilities. Therefore, an amount of £19,623 15s. 4d. has already been devoted to providing more modern treatment plants and to the improvement of the facilities available for the treatment of cancer patients at public hospitals. The Executive Committee will continue its policy of ensuring that adequate treatment facilities are at all times available to cancer sufferers attending public treatment institutions.

Samaritan Funds.—The Executive Committee appreciates the work being carried on by hospital almoners to improve the lot of the indigent cancer patient. As evidence of its appreciation of this work, it has made grants to the Samaritan Funds controlled by hospital almoners. All applications for assistance of this nature have been met.

Convalescent Accommodation.—The question of providing convalescent accommodation for those cancer sufferers attending public treatment institutions as out-patients, and who are unable to arrange for satisfactory accommodation themselves, has been investigated at length. The matter has been discussed with the Charities Board of Victoria but, as yet, a solution of this problem has not been reached.

Central Cancer Registry.—It was with great regret that the Executive Committee decided that the work of the Cancer Registry should be suspended until such time as satisfactory arrangements might be made for its continuance. This decision was made necessary by the absence, on active service, of Colonel Robert Fowler, O.B.E., F.R.A.C.S. It will be remembered that the work of the Central Cancer Registry was carried out under the honorary direction of Colonel Fowler, and the Executive Committee is deeply grateful to him for this work. It trusts that when normal times return he will again become interested in it.

"The First Annual Analysis of Clinical Cancer Statistics" was prepared by Colonel Fowler. The information revealed entirely justified the organisation of this section of the Anti-Cancer Council's work. The report was circulated to other bodies interested in work of this nature, and expressions of appreciation concerning its value were received. It will be appreciated that reports of this nature will be of greater value when statistics covering a longer period of years are available from the Registry.

Executive Medical Officer.—The Department of the Army requested the Anti-Cancer Council to release the Executive Medical Officer for service as a member of the Staff of the Medical Equipment Control Committee for so long as his services might be required in connection with Australia's war effort. The Executive Committee, of course, felt that it was its duty to comply with the request received from the Department of the Army. Dr. Mackay relinquished his duties with the Anti-Cancer Council on 31st May, 1942.

Treatment Policy for Cancer Patients attending Public Hospitals during the time of National Emergency.—The Executive Committee gave consideration to the policy which should be adopted for the treatment of cancer patients attending public hospitals during any time of national emergency. After conferring with treatment institutions and with the Charities Board of Victoria, certain recommendations were brought under the notice of the Charities Board of Victoria. The Executive Committee desires to place on record an expression of its appreciation of the help and co-operation which was received from the Inspector-General of Charities, Mr. C. L. McVilly.

So far as is possible under present-day conditions, the Executive Committee intends to continue the work of the Anti-Cancer Council of Victoria, in the interest of cancer sufferers in the State of Victoria.

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

The Finance Committee presents the Council's Balance Sheet at 30th June, 1942, supported by a Statement of Revenue and Expenses for the twelve months ended that date, and a detailed schedule of investments.

The total revenue received for the twelve months was £2,058 13s., which included £1,861 10s. from interest on investments. Grants amounting to £3,884 9s. 9d. have been made, and the expenses, which included the cost of carrying on the work of the Central Cancer Registry, amounted to £1,871 17s.

During the year, the Chairman has conferred on several occasions with the Chairman of the Executive Committee concerning the financial aspects of the Council's work.

At meetings held during the year, members of the Finance Committee have received certificates verifying the existence of the Council's investments.

The Finance Committee understands that, as a result of the war, the Executive Committee has been compelled to suspend some sections of the Council's work. Consequently a substantial reduction in the administrative expenditure of the Council will be shown in the accounts for the coming year.

MEDICAL AND SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE:

During the twelve months under review, four meetings of the Medical and Scientific Committee were held.

Members of the Committee watched with very great interest the work of the Central Cancer Registry. A sub-Committee was appointed to consider the result of the first year's work, which was completed under the honorary direction of Colonel Robert Fowler, O.B.E., F.R.A.C.S. Members of the sub-Committee of the Medical and Scientific Committee decided that this work was of the utmost importance and advised its continuance. However, it is noted with regret that owing to the absence of Colonel Fowler on military service, it has been necessary temporarily to suspend the work. The Medical and Scientific Committee sincerely hopes that this work will continue as soon as practicable.

The Committee acted in an advisory capacity to the Executive Committee in connection with applications for financial assistance for research work. In addition, at the request of the Executive Committee, members of the Medical and Scientific Committee witnessed a demonstration at the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons of exhibits prepared with the object of supporting a theory concerning the causation of cancer.

APPEALS COMMITTEE.

Members of the Appeals Committee remain interested in the work of the Anti-Cancer Council, and have watched the progress made during the last twelve months. They realise the difficulties which have been experienced by the Executive Committee in continuing the normal work of the Council in these unsettled times. They trust, however, that so far as is possible under present-day conditions, the work will continue.

Members of the Appeals Committee again appeal to the general public, the legal profession and trustees under wills, charitable endowments, etc., to support this important work among the civil population.

T. S. NETTLEFOLD,

8th September, 1942.

President.

ANTI-CANCER COUNCIL OF VICTORIA—BALANCE SHEET, 30th JUNE, 1942.

| LIABILITIES. | | ASSETS. | |
|----------------------------------|---------------|---|---------------|
| Sundry Creditors | £125 0 0 | National Bank of Australasia Ltd.—Current Account | £1,242 19 5 |
| Anti-Cancer Fund— | | —Fixed Deposits | 8,000 0 0 |
| Balance, 30th June, 1941 | £53,029 6 10 | Investments in Authorised Trustee Securities, at cost | 39,943 19 6 |
| Less Deficiency on maturity of | | Furniture and Fittings—Balance, 30th June, 1941 | £130 0 0 |
| Investments | £79 14 2 | —Additions, at cost | 78 3 6 |
| Balance transferred from Revenue | | | 208 3 6 |
| and Expenses Account | 3,697 13 9 | Less Depreciation written off | 18 3 6 |
| | 3,777 7 11 | | 190 0 0 |
| | 49,251 18 11 | | |
| | £49,376 18 11 | | £49,376 18 11 |

REVENUE AND EXPENSES ACCOUNT FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED 30th JUNE, 1942.

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| DR. To Grants— Commonwealth Department of Health re Physical Service | £500 0 0 | | CR. By Interest „ Requests | £1,861 10 0 | |
| Victorian Institute of Hospital Almoners | 375 0 0 | | „ Donations | 125 0 0 | |
| Alfred Hospital re Provision of Deep Therapy Equipment | 2,500 0 0 | | „ Balance transferred to Anti-Cancer Fund | 3,697 13 9 | |
| „ Central Cancer Registry— | | | | | |
| St. Vincent's Hospital | £100 0 0 | | | | |
| Austin Hospital | 100 0 0 | | | | |
| Alfred Hospital | 100 0 0 | | | | |
| Women's Hospital | 50 0 0 | | | | |
| Prince Henry's Hospital | 50 0 0 | | | | |
| | | 400 0 0 | | | |
| „ Samaritan Funds— | | | | | |
| Royal Melbourne Hospital | 74 9 9 | | | | |
| St. Vincent's Hospital | 25 0 0 | | | | |
| Alfred Hospital | 10 0 0 | | | | |
| | | 109 9 9 | | | |
| „ General Expenses— | | | | | |
| Salaries | | £3,884 9 9 | | | |
| Executive Medical Officer | 733 6 8 | | | | |
| General | 891 8 4 | | | | |
| | | 1,624 15 0 | | | |
| Printing and Stationery | 84 6 3 | | | | |
| Postage, Telegrams and Telephone | 65 2 9 | | | | |
| Lighting and Power | 11 3 6 | | | | |
| Advertising | 17 6 3 | | | | |
| Sundry Expenses | 10 7 9 | | | | |
| Insurance | 7 5 6 | | | | |
| Travelling Expenses | 4 13 10 | | | | |
| Depreciation | 18 3 6 | | | | |
| Cleaning Expenses | 18 13 2 | | | | |
| Pay-roll Tax | 9 19 6 | | | | |
| | | 1,871 17 0 | | | |
| | | £5,756 6 9 | | | |

H. B. DEVINE, Chairman of the Executive Committee.
 H. A. PITT, Chairman of the Finance Committee.
 H. G. WHEELER, Secretary.

I have audited the Books and Accounts of the Anti-Cancer Council of Victoria for the year ended 30th June, 1942, and certify that the above Balance Sheet is correct and in accordance with the Books. I have verified the existence at 30th June, 1942, of the funds and investments shown in the Balance Sheet and that all income due from investments during the year has been received.

HERBERT TAYLOR, Hon. Auditor (Young & Outhwaite, Chartered Accountants [Australia]),
 9th July, 1942. 368 Collins Street, Melbourne.