## New hope for CANCER sufferers!

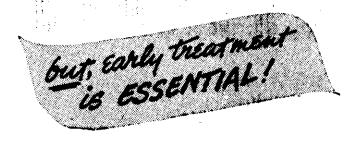
Many are being cured every day

Present-day treatment of cancer is by surgery and radiation (x-rays and radium). This may be known to you but what is generally not known is the fairly high cure rate our modern treatments produce in early cases. But with delay, where the disease has spread, and glands, etc., are involved the position is very different. This is shown in the following table issued by the American Cancer Society.

	SITE	EARLY	LATE
	Breast	70%	35%
CURE	Cervix (neck of 70%		15%
RATE	Mouth	65%	10%
	Lip	90%	15%
	Skin	95%	40%

In addition, the actual treatment may be easier in an early case. For example, an early cancer of the lip or skin may be cured by treatment with X-rays or radium, without ever entering hospital. On the other hand, the same cancer, if allowed to grow, may require extensive surgery, with removal of glands.

Do not forget that "early" is a relative term, to which no time can be fixed. Cancers grow at different rates. One case may be still early after months, while another may have spread and become a late case in a month. So if you are worned over unexplained symptoms, don't put off having a thorough medical examination. The chances are that those worrying symptoms denote simple and harmless conditions, but if you have cancer, revealing it early can save your life.



Do not delay, if you have reason to suspect cancer, see your Doctor promptly.

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