

innocent form and in most instances in a recognizable form, it can be successfully combated. Dr. Hoffman in his paper emphasizes "the supreme importance of the earliest possible diagnosis and the incalculable value of the earliest possible medical and surgical treatment." Dr. Wood puts stress on the declaration that if the disease can be diagnosed in its early stage, the cancer can be removed with very great possibilities as to permanent cure. "The Commissioner of Health takes this opportunity," says Dr. Biggs, "to warn the people of the state against the expenditure of money—often ill-afforded—the raising of false hopes and, above all, the waste of precious time through the use of alleged cancer cures and consultation with their unscrupulous purveyors."

In anticipation of a popular demand for information regarding cancer, a large edition of the "Health News" for March has been printed. Anyone who desires the full information as contained in the magazine may secure a copy of the publication, free of charge, by addressing the State Department of Health at Albany, N.Y."

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