

## MARLBOROUGH DAY HOSPITAL

DEAR SIR,

We wish to contradict widespread rumours that the Marlborough Day Hospital is to close down.

In December 1971 the North West Metropolitan Regional Board decided that the establishment should continue as a day hospital and out-patient clinic supported by twelve in-patient beds; that permanent Consultant appointments should be made in consultation with the Middlesex Hospital; that the activities for autistic and maladjusted children should be continued; and that provision of special facilities for admission of families in crisis should be explored further.

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THE TREATMENT OF  
OBSESSIONAL NEUROSIS

DEAR SIR,

I am writing to point out an error in the letter by Alan Freed, T. A. Kerr, Martin Roth, *Brit. J. Psychiat.*, 120, 590-1, in paragraph three on page 591. On line six 'two unimproved' should read 'three unimproved'. On reflection, and also prompted by a letter from Dr. J. C. Little at the Crichton Royal Hospital, the next sentence might be clearer if it read as follows: 'in addition five patients who had previously failed to respond to smaller doses (75-150 mg.) also improved'.

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