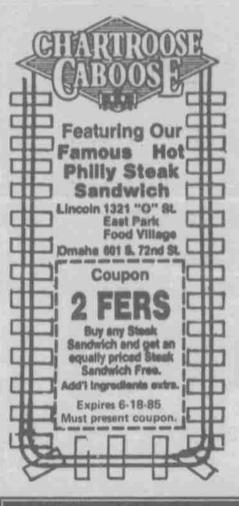
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Men are nurses, too

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Robin Linafelter said he likes to be called Robb and perfers to be thought of as a nursing student, not a male nursing student.

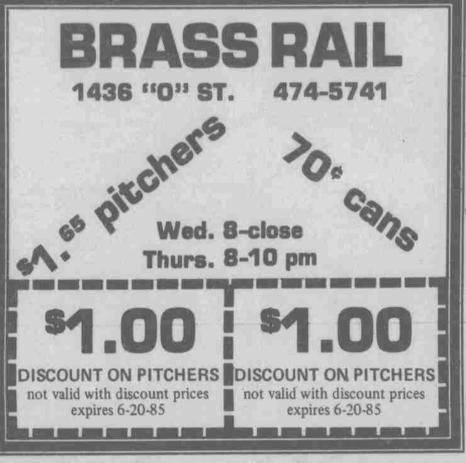
"I grew up with the name Robin all my life," Linafelter said. "I can handle being stereotyped."

Linafelter is one of four UNL nursing students who are men. The 20-year-old junior said he thinks it will take time for society to fully accept men as nurses.

Bev Cunningham, student affairs adviser in the College of Nursing, said some patients can adjust easily to having a male nurse, but others can't.

Cunningham said she thinks if more men went into nursing, salaries would rise. A nurse's salary would be thought of a primary income, rather than a second income, she said.

LouAnn Manske, benefits coordinator for Lincoln General Hospital, said the starting hourly wage for nurses at



Lincoln General is \$8 an hour.

Steve Zeplin, a UNL sophomore, is another male nursing student. He and Linafelter are in the first year of the nursing program.

Zeplin, who lived in Superior most of his life but graduated from Lincoln Pius X High School, said it is difficult for some people to accept his career choice.

'I still feel a little weird telling someone I'm a nursing student," Zeplin said.

Men in the nursing program who are successful are those who are secure in their "maleness," Cunningham said. About two men enter the program yearly, she said.

Linafelter, from Allen, said he gets along well with patients for whom he has cared. He said he feels he is sensitive to patients' needs.

Linafelter is earning his associate degree in nursing from UNL and his bachelor's from Nebraska Wesleyan University.

Linafelter and Zeplin first met each other when they escorted dates to a sorority formal last year at Wesleyan. They sat across from each other and discovered they were both entering UNL's nursing program.

They had another coincidental meeting. Zeplin was working at Milder Manor Nursing Home as an orderly. Linafelter, who was working for Roper & Sons Inc. funeral home, went to Milder Manor to pick up a body. The two students said they were surprised when they saw each other at the home.

Linafelter, who is 6 feet 2 inches tall and weighs 195 pounds, said he enjoys sports. Along with heavy nursing textbooks, he carries a racquetball racket with him to classes. He takes a racquetball class at UNL.

Linafelter also participates in intramural basketball and in intramural football at Wesleyan. He is president of Wesleyan's Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity.

Zeplin said he is also interested in sports, especially golf. The 6-foot-1-inch blond plays on a UNL intramural basketball team. Zeplin also is a member of the Army National Guard.

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Reuter Report

Reagan agrees to follow SALT II missle limits

WASHINGTON - President Reagan said Monday he would continue to abide by missile limits in the unratified SALT II treaty as long as the Soviet Union did likewise and actively pursued further arms control agreements.

Reagan announced his decision in a statement read to a press, conference by Robert McFarlane, his national security adviser.

"I am prepared to go the extra mile in seeking an interim framework of truly mutual (arms) restraint," Reagan said.

The NATO allies had urged Reagan to continue observing the treaty. warning that if it were abandoned, the arms-control process would be harmed and the United States would suffer in the court of public opinion.

Reagan announced that he planned "to deactivate and dismantle." according to agreed procedures in SALT II, a Poseidon submarine when the United States puts a new Trident submarine armed with 24 nuclear missiles into service this fall.

The SALT II accord allows each side 1,200 launchers for missiles with multiple warheads. The United States would exceed the limit by 14 if it did not dismantle an older submarine when the new Trident went to sea.

Washington has accused Moscow of several SALT II violations, including the coding of missile test data and the development of two new missiles, one more than the treaty allows.

Israeli army units leave Lebanon

METULLAH, Israel - The Israeli army withdrew its last units from Lebanon Monday but left behind military advisers and plainclothes agents to watch over a southern border zone, generals at the frontier said.

Generals told reporters the army had now pulled out its last unit, ending a three-year occupation that cost Israel 654 dead and divided the nation.

"Israel is completing its departure from Lebanese land and from Lebanese politics," Prime Minister Shimon Peres told parliament in Jerusalem.

The Lebanese government, however, contended that Israel had not completely withdrawn.

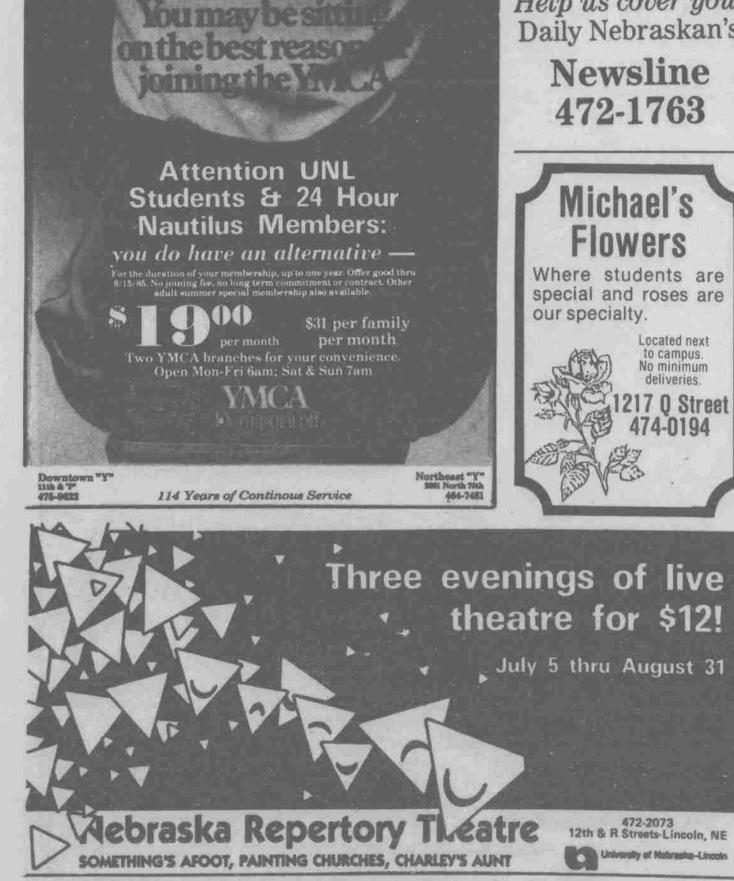
"Lebanon will consider Israeli forces to have withdrawn from its territory only when the last Israeli soldier has left," said foreign Ministry Secretary-General Fuad Turk.

Former Prime Minister Selim Hoss said the presence of Israeli advisers in the border strip "means that Israel has not withdrawn...the word advisers is in fact a code-name for a military presence left by Israel."

Hoss, a senior government minister, said Lebanon would not consider the withdrawal complete until all Israeli troops and their "puppet forces" of the 2,000-member South Lebanon Army had left.

Jury acquits Von Bulow in retrial

PROVIDENCE, R. I. - Claus von Bulow was acquitted today at his second trial of charges of trying to kill his millionaire wife twice by injecting her with insulin.



The normally unemotional, aristocratic von Bulow clasped his hands

and bowed his head when the jury announced the not quilty verdict it had reached after 16 hours of deliberations over four days. The jury apparently was swayed by nine defense medical experts who

testified that Martha von Bulow's two comas, including a second irreversible one, were caused by a combination of drugs and drinks and could not have been caused by insulin injections.

The state claimed he had injected her with insulin to inherit part of her \$75 million Pittsburgh Utilities fortune and be free to marry his then mistress, soap opera actress Alexandra Isles.

Von Bulow was found guilty at his first trial in 1982 and sentenced to 30 years in jail. But that verdict was overturned on a legal technicality and a new trial ordered.

Court favors regional banking laws

WASHINGTON - A unanimous Supreme Court Monday ruled in favor of state laws that ban major banks from joining regional banking mergers.

The justices upheld Massachusetts and Connecticut laws that allow mergers among banks in the region but exclude big banks from taking part, such as banks in New York or other major financial centers.

Monday's decision held that regional laws were consistent with the intent of Congress in retaining local, community-based control over banking.

The court rejected arguments posed by three major banks that challenged the regional banking laws. The three large bank holding companies, Citicorp, Union Trust Co. and Northeast Bancorp, said, among other things, that interstate commerce was being illegally restricted.

Israel plans Mideast peace talks

JERUSALEM - Israeli Prime Minister Shimo Peres today unveiled a plan for direct Middle East peace talks with Jordan and the Palestinians within three months with support from the United Nations.

The plan, outlined in an address to parliament, rejected King Hussein's proposal for an international Mideast peace conference that would include the Soviet Union.

But the involvement of the United Nations was an apparent response to the Jordanian monarch's call for an international unbrella for the talks. "We are convinced that it is possible to say to our friends across the sea and to our neighbors across the (Jordan) river, that despite the obstacles and the difficulties along the way, it is possible to reach direct negotiations," Peres insisted.

The plan, containing no radical departure from previous policy, called for continuing consultations between the United States and Israel, Jordan, Egypt and Palestinians who are not members of the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO).

Peres urged that the direct talks start within three months and that the United States attend.