World

Hitler diaries a hoax — West German officials declared the purported secret diaries of Adolf Hitler a "grotesquely superficial forgery," Stern, the German magazine possessing the diaries, last week submitted seven of the 60 volumes to the Federal Archive for an independent investigation. The archive's historians, aided by police laboratory experts, found the diaries to contain paper and binding materials not produced before 1945. The remaining volumes are also presumed to be forgeries. Stern and The Times of London announced they will cease publication of the diaries.

Israel approves withdrawal from Lebanon — The Israeli cabinet agreed by a 17-2 vote to pull its army out of Lebanon, provided Syrian and Palestine Liberation Organization forces also leave. The draft agreement, already approved by Lebanon, is part of a security package developed during Secretary of State George P. Shultz's two-week Mideast shuttle diplomacy. Schultz still needs Syrian acceptance of the plan, but senior Lebanese officials have indicated Damascus objects to nearly every clause of the withdrawal agreement. President Ronald W. Reagan, in return for Israel's tentative acceptance of the plan, will lift the embargo imposed last summer on the sale of 75 F-16 fighter planes to Israel, according to Schultz.

Local

Babysitter sentenced to life — Elizabeth Hutchinson was sentenced to life imprisonment for first-degree murder in the beating death of three-year-old Brandy Mallett of Everett, Mass. The 21-year-old babysitter was charged with murder after Mallet's death at Massachusetts General Hospital, two weeks after the infant was admitted to the hospital with severe head injuries and a broken leg. Hutchinson's lawyer will file an appeal.

Weather

Stormy weather — Periods of rain or drizzle are expected for the next few days, with temperatures in the 40s and 50s. Cloudy today with a 60 percent chance of showers and temperatures in the 40s. Jake, Tino.