world

Reagan signs Lebanon bill — President Reagan yesterday signed a bill authorizing US Marines to stay in Lebanon for 18 months. Reagan's approval of the bill was accompanied by a statement denying his need for Congressional approval. Administration officials said they would conduct a review of United States policies in the Middle East.

Nation

Watt resigns, administration seeks successor — The Reagan administration began searching for a new secretary of the interior Tuesday, following the resignation of James Watt amidst pressure his continued presence would impair Reagan's chances for reelection. Watt had said Sunday he will step down when a replacement is found. Officials said they are looking for another conservative.

Local

Legislature moves to raise drinking age — The Massachusetts House approved by voice vote Wednesday a bill which would raise the legal drinking age from 20 to 21. The bill now moves to the Senate where opposition is expected. Governor Michael Dukakis has said he would not veto the bill if the Senate approves it.

Sports

Orioles, Phillies even in series — The Baltimore Orioles beat the Philadelphia Phillies at home Wednesday night, 4-1, to tie the World Series at one game apiece. Play resumes tonight in the City of Brotherly Love.

Weather

Clearing skies, soon — Showers and possibly thundershowers this morning should end this afternoon, when the wind takes over. The humidity will drop, and the high temperature will be near 70. Clear and chilly tonight, with a low in the middle 40's. Tomorrow should be brisk and cool with highs in the middle 60's.

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