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In the News

- Sandra Filbert Amos, 35, heiress to the Filbert margarine fortune, was convicted in Baltimore of three drug conspiracy and distribution charges for helping finance a cocaine ring from her Chesapeake Bay estate.
Gov. Michael Dukakis of Massachusetts, in his first comments since the disclosure that his wife Kitty ingested rubbing alcohol, said in Boston that she is strong, tough and loving and he has great faith in her ability to rebound.
Lori Esker, 20, the 1989 Marathon County, Wis., dairy princess, was ordered in Wausau, Wis., to stand trial in the strangulation of a former schoolmate during a quarrel over a boyfriend.
Wanda Horowitz, who was married to the late pianist Vladimir Horowitz for 56 years, was named in New York as sole beneficiary of his \$8 million estate. Horowitz died Sunday of a heart attack at age 86.
Gov. Bob Martinez of Florida signed in Tallahassee three death warrants, including one for the so-called "black widow" killer, Judias Buenoano, one of three women on the state's Death Row.
Christie Hefner, chief executive of Playboy Enterprises, Inc., announced in Chicago that Playboy would publish a Hungarian edition, its first in Central Europe, later this month. Penthouse magazine will hit the stands in Budapest in December.
Martin Luther King III, the late Rev. Martin Luther King Jr.'s eldest son, told the Rev. Ralph Abernathy that his book about his father, "And the Walls Came Tumbling Down," was unfair, The Tennessean of Nashville reports. "But I told him I loved him and I always will," King said.
Alan Gottlieb, founder of the pro-gun Second Amendment Foundation, said in Denver that he would file suit to stop the city from implementing a ban on the sale of semi-automatic weapons.
Larry Rivers, a Veterans of Foreign Wars official, expressed outrage in Washington over the Bush administration agreeing to send \$250,000 in surplus medical equipment to Communist Vietnam because hundreds of Vietnam veterans are turned away from VA hospitals because of budget restraints.
Donna Leeper, 43, a school employee in Lawrenceville, Ga., was accused of falsely claiming her nine-year-old daughter had leukemia and collecting \$1,400 in donations from the faculty and the PTA.
Tom Fagan, 27, of Pasadena, Texas, was arrested in Houston when he allegedly tried to trade illegal drugs to an undercover police officer for tickets to a Rolling Stones concert.
Canon Rey Avelino, 39, a Philippine businessman, was accused in Buffalo, N.Y., of trying to sell to undercover agents two American warplanes smuggled back to the United States in pieces after the Vietnam War.

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Change in China

Deng Xiaoping, China's senior leader, passed his last formal leadership post to his chosen successor Thursday, but he'll still carry his share of clout./12A

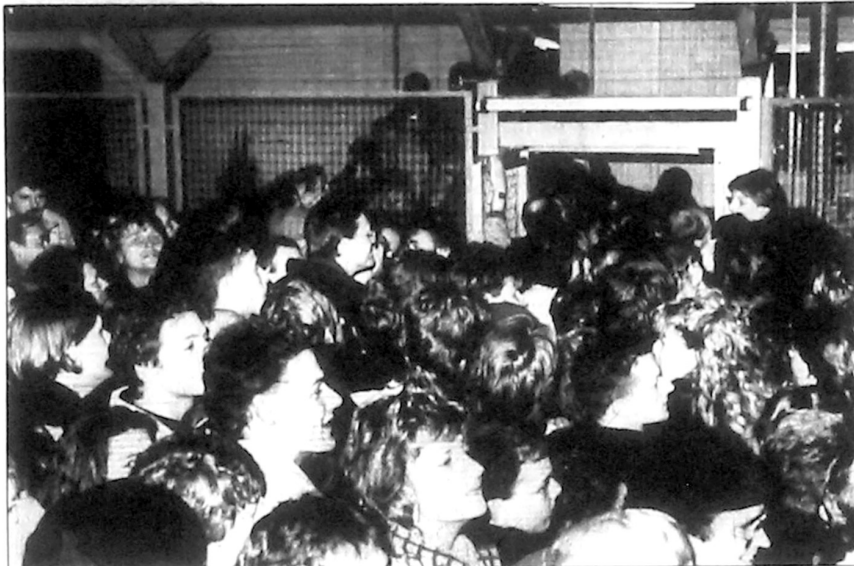
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The Berlin Wall opens

E. Berliner sums it up: 'Joy'



AT THE CROSSROADS: East Berlin citizens crowd the gate at an East Berlin crossing point Thursday night after East Germany opened the Berlin Wall and its other borders. Since the wall appeared in 1961, 77 East Germans have died trying to escape over the wall.

East Berliners step into history

By Mike Leary Knight News Service
WEST BERLIN — Angela Ebertus had planned to curl up with a good book Thursday night in her East Berlin flat on the other side of the Berlin Wall. She made history instead. Ebertus, 22, a bookstore clerk and her husband, Oliver, also 22, were among the first East Germans to cross through the Berlin Wall successfully without border guards shooting at them or any other challenge. "Can you believe this is happening?" she exclaimed, nudging her husband as they strolled through Checkpoint Charlie early this morning. "No," he replied. "No, this must be a dream."

A crowd of more than 1,000 West Berliners, who had surged past the checkpoint and into East German territory, cheered wildly as the Ebertuses and about two dozen other East Germans walked through a metal gate into the West. Most of those making the crossing weren't even born when the wall was built in 1961. Blinking into television lights, Angela Ebertus smiled broadly and said, "I haven't been here long, but it looks great. I've been waiting all my life to take these few steps." Earlier the East German border guards were caught by surprise by the announcement, and when thousands of West Berliners surged through checkpoint Charlie, they didn't know how to re-

spond. First they slammed shut a big metal gate, actually sealing off the border, rather than opening it. Then they called for reinforcements — a squadron of scared-looking teen-age guards who darted through a metal door and set up a siege line in front of the wall. But the crowd pressed against them and some West Berliners grabbed their hats while stuffing flowers down their shirts. The guards retreated, and dozens of West Berliners climbed on top of the wall. At first the guards tried to push them, but gave up. The West Ger-



Clark probing if Arkla hid memo

By Jim Nichols Gazette Staff
Attorney General Steve Clark said Thursday he has begun an inquiry to determine if Arkla Inc. hid from regulators a 1982 internal memo indicating that land Arkla sold two months later contained large gas reserves. Clark said in an interview that neither he nor the staff of the state Public Service Commission came across the memo among Arkla files examined during an eight-month investigation, concluded in July 1984, of the deal between Arkla and Arkoma Exploration Co. Jerry Jones, now owner of the Dallas Cowboys, owned two-thirds of Arkoma. Mike McCoy of Fort Smith owned the other third. The seven-year-old sale has be-

come an issue in the Republican gubernatorial campaign between U.S. Rep. Tommy Robinson, Ark., and Sheffield Nelson, chairman of Arkla at the time of the sale. Jones is a friend of both candidates. The memo would have been a key piece of evidence, Clark said, because Arkla managers had claimed the land was unproven and the low sale price to Arkoma was justified by Jones' considerable risk in drilling it.



Steve Clark: Says more questions need to be asked.

"It was not in the PSC file — I know that for a fact," Clark said of the document, which emerged Wednesday. "If it was kept from the file, who kept it? If it wasn't See CLARK/3A

U.S. alleges Soviets fired lasers at planes

Air Force crewman injured in one incident

Knight News Service
WASHINGTON — Soviet military ships are suspected of firing laser beams at four U.S. aircraft over the Pacific Ocean during the past three weeks, damaging the eyesight of an Air Force crewman, Defense Department officials said Thursday. The suspected attacks came more than two years after the Pentagon last accused the Soviets of such a provocation, and mark at least a temporary setback in the warming relations between the superpowers' military forces, U.S. officials said. Pentagon spokesman Pete Williams said the accounts of crew members aboard the planes, and sensors on one plane, led Pentagon officials to believe lasers were used. Williams declined to describe the alleged "lasings" as hostile. "I will not characterize the incident beyond describing it," he said. But other defense officials, speaking anonymously, were less reserved. "We still can't trust those guys," one said. "This just proves it." Air Force officers said the service may file a protest with the Soviets. Officials said they didn't know why the Soviets fired the lasers.

"What these lasers were used for and why they caused injury is something we don't know and are investigating," a defense official said. Top U.S. and Soviet military officials signed an agreement last June designed to avoid dangerous military encounters. While the pact does not go into effect until Jan. 1, U.S. officers were angry that the Soviets apparently ignored its provisions barring such laser incidents. Williams also suggested the actions might "violate the spirit of the incidents at sea agreement" between the two nations. A Soviet spokesman in Washington declined to comment on the report, saying any reaction would come from Moscow. Williams offered these details: The first incident occurred on Oct. 17 when an Air Force crewman aboard an HC-130 surveillance plane "experienced what may have been laser illumination" about 1,200 miles southwest of Hawaii. "The crew member was observing a Soviet research ship and was wearing laser eye protection at the See LASERS/3A

Senate rejects aiding 'crack babies'

Gazette Press Services
WASHINGTON — The Senate sent to the White House Thursday a \$1.9 billion appropriations bill to operate Congress in fiscal 1990 after first refusing to donate most of the its junk mail money to helping treat "crack babies." The Senate's action ended a bitter turf war with the House over reform of Congress' free mail privileges, the cost of which have escalated sharply in recent years.

Although the Senate and House earlier had approved the \$1.9 appropriations bill, the measure had been held up pending a final decision on money for free mailings, which was finally resolved Thursday. The Senate rejected 66-29 an amendment by Sen. Pete Wilson, R-Calif., which would have diverted See MAIL/3A