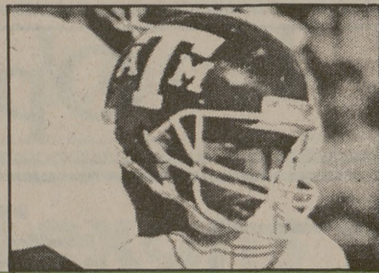


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## Soviets report nuclear reactor damaged

MOSCOW (AP) — The Soviet Union said Monday that a nuclear reactor damaged an atomic reactor at the Chernobyl power plant in the Ukraine. Radiation reported up to 10 times above normal swept across Poland, Denmark and Sweden, more than 750 miles away.

Budapest Radio in Hungary reported early Tuesday that there were injuries from the accident and that the power plant was located at the conjunction of two rivers near the reservoir that supplies Kiev, a city of 2.4 million people and the capital of the Ukraine.

The official Soviet news agency, Tass, said only that people "affected" were being aided, but did

not say whether there were injuries or deaths, when the accident occurred, nor the exact location of the plant.

Tass said it was the first nuclear accident in the Soviet Union and a government commission was appointed, an indication that it was serious.

Lars Erik de Geer of Sweden's Defense Research Agency, said, "It must have been a relatively big accident, since we have received such high levels of radiation from so far away."

He said the radiation levels corresponded to those recorded after nuclear weapons tests in the atmosphere during the 1970s. "I know of

no earlier nuclear power plant accident which has led to such high radiation levels in this area," he said.

Neither Hungary nor any other Eastern European country, much closer to the plant site than Scandinavia, made public reports of radiation level increases.

"The increased Swedish levels were between three and four times the normal," information director Lennart Franzon at the Forsmark nuclear plant north of Stockholm told the AP.

In Finland the increased radiation, first noticed Sunday night, were 10 times higher than those in Sweden, said Gunnar Bengtsson, head of Sweden's Radiation and Nu-

clear Safety Board. Danish and Norwegian officials reported more modest increases.

Franzon said an analysis of the radioactive emission will take a few days to conclude, but that a preliminary report indicated graphite and cesium 137 were present.

The Soviet acknowledgement of the accident came many hours after Swedish officials had started hunting for the source of the increased radiation levels, which were first discovered on Monday morning at a routine check of a worker at the Forsmark plant, 750 miles northwest of Kiev.

Birgitta Dahl, Sweden's energy minister, said the Soviets were asked

for an extensive report and added: "They should immediately have warned us."

She said initial inquiries drew the response that Soviet officials were not aware of a radiation leak, but she said the questions probably led to the unusual Soviet confirmation of the accident.

"We must demand higher safety standards in the Soviet Union," she said, and Sweden may insist that the Soviet civil nuclear program be overseen by the International Atomic Energy Agency, a U.N. agency.

White House spokesman Edward Djerejian said: "It must be very serious if the Soviets talk about it."

Soviet media seldom report natu-

ral disasters or accidents unless injuries and damage are widespread.

The first, brief Tass announcement did not give details beyond saying, "Measures are being undertaken to eliminate the consequences of the accident. Aid is being given to those affected."

A subsequent Tass report called it the first such accident in the Soviet Union, "although in other countries similar incidents have occurred more than once."

Tass mentioned the 1979 accident at Three Mile Island in Pennsylvania, the worst accident at a U.S. com-

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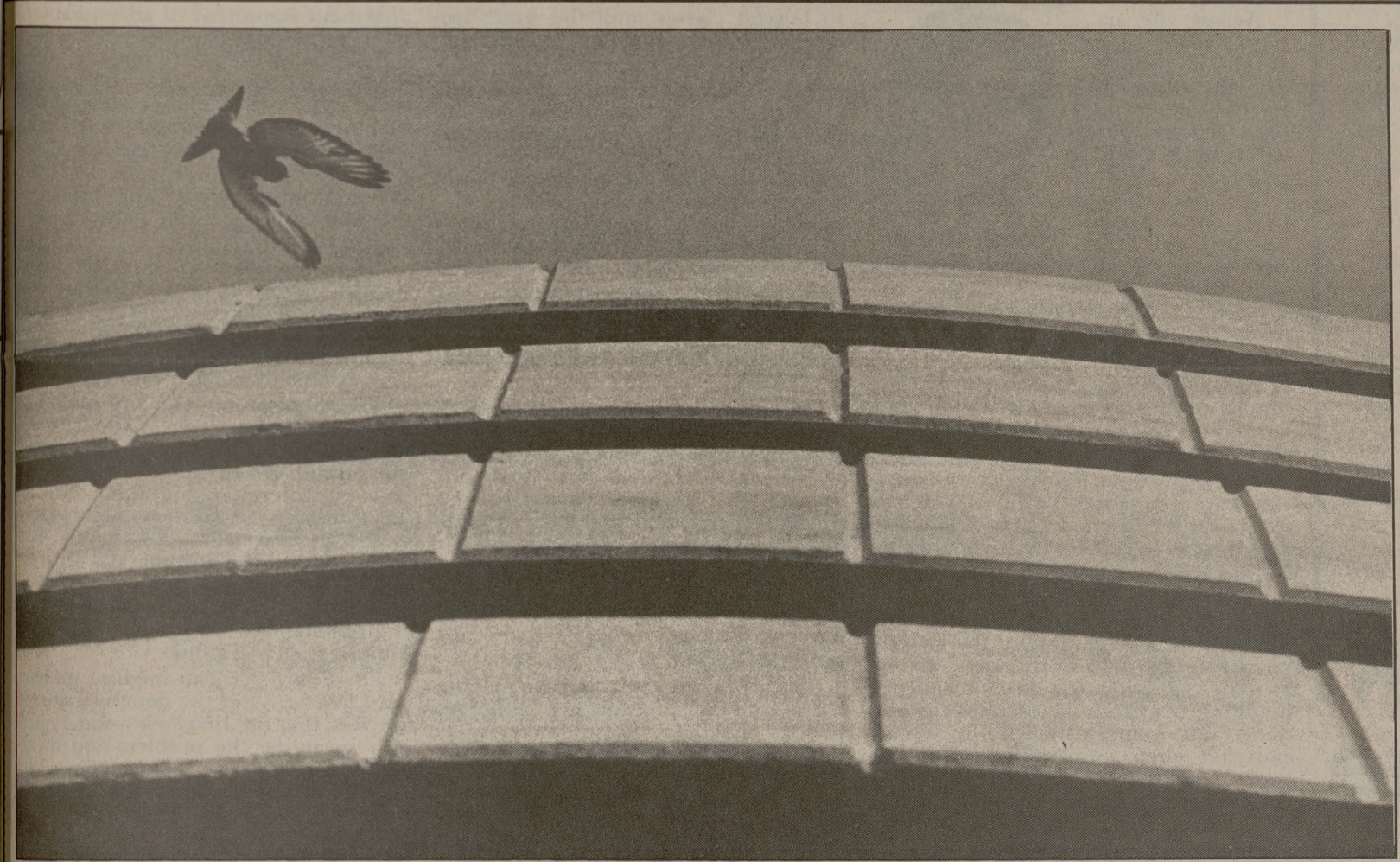


Photo by Dean Saito

### Looking Up

A bird soars toward the upper ramps of Texas A&M's Kyle Field.

## Faculty Senate OKs recommendations to aid minorities

By Sondra Pickard  
Staff Writer

The Faculty Senate on Monday unanimously approved recommendations that seek to improve the situation of minority faculty and students at Texas A&M.

In spring 1984, the senate established the Senate Committee on Minority Conditions with the objective of monitoring and supporting equal opportunity and treatment of minority faculty and students at A&M.

After over two years of in-depth research, the committee found the minority situation at A&M inadequate in several areas.

Sen. Stephen Fulling, professor of mathematics and co-chair of the committee, said, "This is our day to put our money where our mouths are. Today we present you with several resolutions to improve the status of blacks and Hispanics on this campus.

"The report is not the issue, but the problem is in the report."

According to the committee's findings, some recommendations of the 1982 and 1983 President's Committee on Minority Committee already have been implemented, but the student and faculty minority representation relative to all Texas public senior institutions has declined and funding available for scholarships to minority students on the graduate and undergraduate levels is no longer competitive.

The senate urges:

- That the Board of Regents approve more funding and implement the committee's recommendations as well as those of the president's committee.
- An appointment of a special assistant to the provost-vice president for academic affairs whose primary role would be to carry out the recommendations unhampered by bureaucratic chores.
- An increase in the number of minority graduate fellowships.
- An increase in the number of minority undergraduate scholarships, making them competitive with those of the University of Texas at Austin.
- That the attorney general be requested to ask the U.S. Office of

### Committee suggests changes in tenure policy

By Sondra Pickard  
Staff Writer

The Faculty Senate Monday heard a report suggesting a new, broad set of criteria for evaluating faculty members for promotion and tenure.

The senate also voted to extend the landscape architecture undergraduate program from four to five years.

Since February 1985, the senate Committee on Tenure and Promotion has been working on a set of suggestions they hope will improve existing A&M policy on faculty promotion and tenure by giving faculty more individual rights.

The committee is recommending that the University expand its traditional areas of evaluation — teaching, research and service — from three to five.

The two proposed areas are dissemination of knowledge and creative work and consulting and practice.

Also, the committee hopes to achieve a uniform evaluation

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### Prosecutor says consul knew of plan

## 'Libyans at embassy aid terrorists'

ANKARA, Turkey (AP) — Employees of Libya's embassy supplied hand grenades with which two Libyans planned to attack a U.S. military officers' club in Ankara during a wedding party, a prosecutor said Monday.

The grenades were brought into Turkey under cover of diplomatic immunity, Ulku Coskun told The Associated Press in an interview. He would not elaborate, but said Ali

Zeyyani, Libyan consul in Istanbul, knew of the plan.

Two Libyans identified as Ali Ecefli Ramadan and Recep Muhtar Rohoma Tarhuni, both 30, were captured April 18 near the officers' club in the residential district of Gaziosmanpasa and questioned for nine days.

They were arrested formally Sunday and charged with conspiracy to kill a group of people and illegally bringing weapons into the country.

Authorities have said two Libyans were seen loitering 45 yards from the club the evening of April 18, three days after U.S. air raids on Libya. They ran when police ordered them to halt, tossing away a bag containing six hand grenades, and another team of police caught them nearby.

The U.S. officers' club in this NATO-member nation was filled with about 100 people attending a wedding and just one of the Soviet-

manufactured grenades could have killed or injured half of them, Coskun said.

Coskun said the security court, which handles terrorism cases, did not press charges against two Libyans picked up for questioning after the initial interrogation of the two suspects but they remain in detention pending possible future action. He identified them as Ali Abdulhadi Shalmi and Bashir el-Mabruk Ibrahim.

Education to reconsider the State of Texas Plan's minority counting technique. The Texas Plan requires universities to increase their minority representation, but it mandates that universities count only minority students who have graduated from Texas public high schools or only minority graduate students from

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## Abu Nidal's group claims it killed British tourist

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) — The radical terrorist group Abu Nidal claimed responsibility Monday for killing a British tourist in Jerusalem. In a separate development, two Cypriot students were reported missing in kidnap-plagued west Beirut.

Police identified the Cypriots as Panikos Pirkides and Stavros Yiannakis, both 25, of Nicosia. Both are engineering students at the American University of Beirut.

They left together Monday morning from the New Hamra Hotel where they lived in the Moslem sector of the Lebanese capital, but they never arrived at school, police said. By Monday night, no one had claimed responsibility for taking the pair, authorities said.

A hotel spokesman said late Monday that neither of the two Cypriots returned to their rooms, where their passports and

residence permits were found. A school official also confirmed their disappearance.

The Lebanese Foreign Ministry said the Netherlands was closing its embassy in Moslem west Beirut because of the wave of kidnappings and murders since the American raids April 15 on Tripoli and Benghazi. All Dutch nationals are to be evacuated from the Moslem sector.

At least 15 foreigners, including four Americans, seven Frenchmen, one Briton, one Irishman, one Italian and one South Korean have been kidnapped or are missing in Lebanon since 1984.

Earlier Monday, Abu Nidal's group claimed it killed British tourist Paul Appleby in Jerusalem in revenge for the U.S. air raids on Libya two weeks ago.

The United States blames the Palestinian faction leader for the Dec. 27 massacres at

the Rome and Vienna airports, in which 20 people were killed, and accuses Libyan leader Moammar Khadafy of harboring him.

A typewritten statement delivered to a Western news agency in Moslem west Beirut claimed that Appleby was on a spy mission Sunday when gunmen of Abu Nidal's Fatah-Revolutionary Council shot him down.

"The Monzer Kadry squad that operates in the Jerusalem district has carried out the death sentence against Briton Paul Appleby in the heart of Jerusalem while he was on an intelligence mission disguised behind a false (tourist) pretense," said the terrorist statement, which was in Arabic.

Palestinian sources in Beirut said Kadry probably was an Abu Nidal follower killed

in action, but they had no specific information about him.

According to the statement, Appleby's murder was "retaliation for the complicity of the Thatcher government in the U.S. imperialist aggression on Libya." The reference was to the British government of Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, which supported the U.S. raids.

It did not give the number of terrorists involved, but said all "returned safely to base."

The statement was dated April 28 and signed Fatah-Revolutionary Council, the group Abu Nidal formed when he broke with Palestine Liberation Organization chief Yasser Arafat's mainstream Fatah guerrilla group in 1974. The PLO has sentenced him to death in absentia.

Two other terrorist groups believed

linked to Abu Nidal claim to have killed three kidnapped Britons and an American in the past two weeks in retaliation for the raid.

The bodies of the American and two Britons were found April 17 beside a mountain road east of Beirut. A videotape said to show the body of the other Briton hanging from a gallows as delivered to a Beirut newspaper last week, but no body has been found.

Westerners fled the capital's Moslem sector because of the killings and most of them left Lebanon. Diplomatic sources, speaking on condition of anonymity, said about 100 Americans, Britons, Frenchmen, Italians, Swedes, Irishmen and New Zealanders were evacuated in the past 10 days.