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UT fund push uses Aggies as an example

Mailout says Ag donations 'have us whipped'

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In trying to spur University of Texas alumni on to larger donations, the Longhorns have turned their eyes toward the Aggie example.

Pamphlets UT ex-students received in the mail ask, "Will the Horns become an Aggie joke?" The orange-and-white mailers extol the extent of Aggie fund raising, then urge the Longhorns to do even better.

Featured on the front of the pamphlet is a Texas A&M cadet yelling at a football game.

"Although we may hate to admit it, there is one area where those Aggies from Texas A&M have us beaten — hands down," the pamphlet says of Aggie contributions.

It continues, "Maybe those Aggies know and practice something we UT-Austin alumni don't. You can bet they want their university to be the best in the land."

Copies of the publication keep turning up on the Texas A&M campus.

Malon Southerland, assistant to Texas A&M President Dr. Jarvis Miller, said a former student from Austin sent Miller a copy of the pamphlet.

"I have heard Dr. Miller say — and this has been quoted several places — 'It may be worth a million dollars to us,' and I think it may," Southerland said of favorable publicity generated by the mailer.

Southerland said Miller considers the UT publication "a positive influence for recruiting as well as fund-raising."

Mary Leonard of the Texas A&M Development Office said of the UT publication, "We saw it. They sent us one of the originals."

Sources at UT seem reluctant to admit they were responsible for the pamphlet.

Susan Allen at the Texas Ex-Students Association in Austin said she wasn't sure who published the pamphlet. "I've seen it," she said. "I got one at home myself, in the mail. It's a unique gimmick. It caught my attention."

A spokesman in the UT office of public information said the idea for the mailer came from the development office, although the ex-student association mailed it out.

The Houston Chronicle quoted Warren Gould, UT director of development, as saying the pamphlet was printed in Spring 1979 and sent out last fall to 50,000 alumni who were lax in donations.

Neither Gould nor UT development officials were available for comment during the past week.

The pamphlet reads, "We can beat those Aggies at football, basketball, and in academic areas. But when it comes to alumni support they have us whipped. You can help us master the Aggies in this area too..."

There seems little chance of that.

Figures in the text explain that in 1978, 30 percent of the total living Aggie alumni (20,833 graduates) made a gift to Texas A&M. In the same period, only 5 percent of the UT-Austin alumni made a contribution.

More recent figures say even more for Aggie fund raising, said Jerry Cooper, editor of the Texas A&M alumni magazine, The Texas Aggie.

Cooper said that in 1979, 30,515 people, or 40 percent of the total living Texas A&M alumni, made contributions to the University.

The Texas A&M Association of Former Students sends mailings to 80,000 of the total 100,000 Aggie alumni, Cooper said. Mailings are not sent to the other 20,000 because they either have incorrect addresses or are deceased. UT reportedly has 150,000 alumni.

In 1979, donations to the Association of Former Students alone totalled \$1,767,412.

Of that amount, Cooper said only \$40,000 is designated for a specific use, with use for the rest being unrestricted. Association money is used for faculty achievement awards, scholarships, and endowment funds.

1979 alumni contributions to other sources, including the Development Foundation, come to \$9,397,000, Cooper said. Some of these contributions are from wills and bequests, as gifts of land as well as money. Cooper said one gift alone totalled \$400,000.

Cooper said the cadet "giggin' em" on the pamphlet's cover is junior Dean Bernal. Bernal reportedly didn't even know his picture was being used until someone showed him a copy of the mailer.

Cooper has an idea for a headline about the "joke" for the July issue of The Texas Aggie: "Will the Horns become an Aggie joke? Maybe not, but they're trying."

Figures dispute pamphlet claim that UT is better

A pamphlet the University of Texas sent alumni to solicit contributions claims the Longhorns can beat the Aggies in "football, basketball, and in academic areas."

However, using several different criteria by which the academic excellence of universities is judged, Texas A&M comes out ahead.

For example, a publication from the National Merit Scholarship Board shows Texas A&M had 194 National Merit Scholars enrolled during the past year, while UT had 190.

National Merit Scholar testing is administered to high school seniors throughout the nation, with winners supposedly in the nation's academic top 1 percent.

Using Fall 1979 enrollment figures of 31,331 students, Texas A&M had about six National Merit Scholars for every 1,000 students.

UT, with 44,102 students enrolled, had four National Merit Scholars for every 1,000 students.

As for entering freshmen's scores on Scholastic Aptitude Tests, the Aggies averaged seven points above the Longhorns.

Augustine Garza of the UT admissions office placed the average UT freshman's score at 128

points above the national average.

Lane Stephenson, of the Texas A&M office of public information, said the average entering Aggie freshman placed 135 points above the national average.

In funds available for research for each of the universities, in 1979 Texas A&M had \$11 million more than UT.

The Chronicle reported Texas A&M had \$63 million for research as of Aug. 31, 1979, while UT had \$52 million, according to a report from the Coordinating Board of the Texas College and University System.

When it comes to the overall record for football and basketball scores in the Texas A&M-UT rivalry, UT does have a better showing than Texas A&M.

In the Texas A&M-UT football series, Texas A&M has won 21 games, UT has won 60, and there have been five ties. UT holds a 90-63 edge in basketball.

However, Texas A&M has won three of the last five football games against UT, and the Aggies beat the Longhorns twice in the 1979-80 basketball season.

Will the Horns become an Aggie joke?



Texas A&M cadet Dean Bernal didn't know his "gig 'em" at the Texas A&M-Rice football game would result in a picture on the cover of a University of Texas pamphlet requesting alumni contributions.

Pamphlet courtesy Jerry Cooper

Muskie rejects notion that Soviets can retain any nuclear advantage

United Press International
ANKARA, Turkey — Secretary of State Edmund Muskie Wednesday bluntly rejected West Germany's proposal for a three-year delay in stationing 572 modern nuclear missiles in Western Europe.

Muskie, speaking as honorary president of the NATO council at the opening of its summer ministerial meeting, said the alliance must reject any arms control proposal that leaves the Soviet Union with a numerical advantage.

West Germany, represented by Foreign Minister Hans Dietrich Genscher at the council, had proposed the three-year pause in the nuclear missile plan.

"We cannot accept the proposition that negotiations are possible only if NATO countries reverse their commitment to achieve a safer and more secure balance of these forces," Muskie said in rejecting the plan.

The North Atlantic Treaty Organization's meeting of ministers was being held under tight security in the violence-racked Turkish capital.

Earlier, the secretary told a news conference a freeze now would in effect mean the

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West approves of the Soviet SS-20 missiles in Eastern Europe. Nearly 200 of the medium range weapons already believed deployed.

Muskie also said the path to broader cooperation with Moscow remains open

but "we all recognize that cooperation can be sustained only in an atmosphere of restraint, on a foundation of respect and for independence of others."

He said "with the prompt withdrawal of all Soviet forces, we are prepared to support a truly independent and nonaligned Afghanistan, administered by a government acceptable to the Afghan people."

Muskie had said he would also ask NATO to take specific action to counter any possible Soviet thrust toward the Persian Gulf, and wanted the allies to draw up specific plans to replace U.S. troops in Western Europe should they be needed in the Middle East.

In May, the alliance agreed to support U.S. plans to establish a rapid deployment force which would be moved quickly to the area in case of any threat to the Gulf oil fields.

House Dems say no legal grounds

Clark prosecution unlikely

United Press International
WASHINGTON — A group of House Democrats who studied the legal ramifications of Ramsey Clark's unauthorized trip to Iran says it does not appear the government can prosecute the former attorney general.

President Carter has said he is "inclined" to prosecute Clark for defying a presidential ban on travel to Iran.

But, the Democratic Study Group, comprised of most of the 275 House Democrats, said Tuesday there does not appear to be any legal grounds on which to prosecute Clark for his presence at an anti-U.S. conference in Tehran.

"Examination of existing laws raises a serious question whether there is any legal basis for prosecuting Clark," the group said in a special report.

"It is unclear what would be the basis for prosecuting Clark — violating President Carter's travel ban, engaging in 'financial transaction' in Iran, or negotiating with the Iranian government."

Clark has denied violating any U.S. laws when he and nine other Americans participated in a conference last month in Tehran on "U.S. Intervention in Iran." The meeting had strong anti-American overtones.

President Carter has said he is "inclined" to prosecute Clark for violating "my direc-

tion" — an April 17 executive order limiting American travel to Iran and prohibiting any financial transactions with that country.

The report noted Carter's remarks, Clark's denials of violating U.S. laws, and Attorney General Benjamin Civiletti's later statement that any action against Clark would be based on existing law and not on Carter's feelings.

The group's report said the president can limit the use of U.S. passports to travel to a restricted area, but it also noted the Clark group did not use passports to enter Iran. Clark also said he did not spend U.S. money in Iran.

Clark conceivably could be prosecuted for violating the 1799 Logan Act, which prohibits unauthorized people from speaking on behalf of the U.S. government in a dispute with other governments, the report said.

But neither Clark nor the others claimed to represent the U.S. government at the Tehran conference, it added.

In any case, the report said, "no one has ever been prosecuted under the Logan Act since its enactment 180 years ago and judicial references to the act have questioned its constitutionality."



Farewell reception

Dr. Haskell Monroe gives one well-wisher some advice while Mrs. Monroe greets another during the reception given in Monroe's honor Wednesday. Monroe, dean of faculties and associate vice president for academic

affairs at Texas A&M, is leaving that post to become president of the University of Texas at El Paso. Several hundred friends and relatives attended the reception.

Staff photo by Lee Roy Leschper Jr.

Senate calls for Soviet Union to withdraw Afghan troops

United Press International
WASHINGTON — The Senate has called on the Soviet Union to end its "gross violation" of Afghanistan's sovereignty by withdrawing all its estimated 85,000 troops from that nation.

By a vote of 96-0 Tuesday, the Senate harshly condemned the Soviet invasion and occupation and reaffirmed its support for the U.S.-initiated boycott of the Moscow Olympics.

President Carter has dismissed as "propaganda" a Soviet announcement it is withdrawing a division of troops from Afghanistan.

The non-binding Senate resolution was co-sponsored by its Democratic and Republican leaders — West Virginia's Robert Byrd and Tennessee's Howard Baker — and by 53 other members from both parties.

Baker said on the floor the resolution is not only aimed at the Afghanistan invasion, "but it is against the entire pattern of

Soviet activity that we must respond."

"The Kremlin must be convinced that the United States and its allies will protect our interests," he said. "The Soviets must be convinced they will not be permitted to interrupt the flow of oil from the Persian Gulf."

Sen. Paul Tsongas, D-Mass., urged Americans not to forget that "a brutal, lethal war" is being waged in Afghanistan.

The Senate resolution condemned the Dec. 27 invasion of Afghanistan as a gross violation of that country's sovereignty, a threat to regional peace and contravention of the Afghan people's right to self-determination.

It also urged continuation of trade restrictions — including high technology — with the Soviet Union, and called on President Carter "to continue to work with our European and Asian allies and with other nations in the region to prevent further Soviet incursions."

The Weather

Yesterday	Today
High 100	High 100
Low 77	Low 78
Humidity 42%	Humidity 45%
Rain 0.0inches	Chance of rain none