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Separate views key to race, candidate says

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Bob A. Mosbacher Jr., a Republican running against Phil Gramm for the U.S. Senate, said here Thursday that the main issues distinguish him from other candidates.

"I believe strongly in reducing the cost of government and I want to re-build our national defense program," Mosbacher said.

Mosbacher formally announced candidacy for the U.S. Senate on Oct. 14. He is a Houston businessman and a former legislative assistant to U.S. Senate Republican Leader Howard H. Baker.

"Other candidates tell you why we can't do anything but I'm telling you what we can do," he said.

Federal resources are diminishing, Mosbacher said, and the main problem is trying to work out government problems without aggravating the budget deficit.

"I am committed to finding creative alternative ways of addressing social and economic problems in our community," he said.

Mosbacher hopes to find creative solutions by popularizing the Private Sector Initiative Program.

The program is an attempt to get business, civic groups, religious leaders, neighborhood associates and others to work together to solve community problems.

Mosbacher is a leading member of President Reagan's Task Force on Private Sector Initiatives.

"I am convinced that problems are more manageable and solutions more effective and less expensive at the local level than they are at the national level," Mosbacher said, "especially in a partnership of public and private enterprise is marshalled for the benefit."

He said that the program in Houston is aimed at training and employing welfare workers and revitalizing housing projects and neighborhoods.

One major company in Houston offered to donate equipment and instructors to train individuals to use word processors, he said, if the private sector could find a location to do the training.

"There is no government involved in this thing," he said. "Through this program we are getting people off of welfare."

Mosbacher said he also wants to re-build the national defense program. He said citizens should be outraged at how much money government spends on military parts to repair defense equipment.

"We should assess criminal penalties to the offenders but the problem is they aren't breaking any laws," he said.

Mosbacher said he knows he will have a difficult time competing with Phil Gramm, but he said once his name becomes well known in this area, he will be well on his way.

"I understand the institution and rules better than anyone in this place because I spent six years working with Howard Baker," he said. "I've also been in the business world and no other candidate has that perspective."

The 32-year-old candidate was voted one of 20 rising stars of Texas in 1982 by Texas Business magazine. He is vice president of Mosbacher Production Co., an oil and gas drilling, exploration and production firm and president of RAM Drilling Co.

Mosbacher has traveled extensively throughout the state since he first announced his candidacy, but Thursday was his first campaign visit to College Station and Bryan.



Almost anything goes!

staff photo by Guy Chandler Hood

Members of Neeley and Hart halls perform a peculiar relay race which only an Aggie could dream up. The race was held at the Almost Anything Goes contest on

the main drill field Thursday afternoon. More than sixty teams from all over campus participated in this fund raiser for the United Way.

Student-athlete roles discussed

by **Christine Mallon**
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Recruiting policies and exploitation of student-athletes are the biggest problems American universities face in trying to merge athletics with education, the president of Yale University said here Thursday.

A. Bartlett Giamatti, president of Yale and a member of the National Commission on Excellence in Education, told a group of about 50 faculty and students that involvement in athletics is an important part of education at all levels, except college.

"Participation in athletics is important for youths because it teaches lessons, encourages comradery and strengthens human spirit," Giamatti said. "But at the college level it tends to become over-emphasized."

The main fault in many college athletic programs, he said, is the lengths at which recruiters will go to see that a potential student-athlete signs with that school.

"An athlete who has been recruited to a college is set apart from the rest of the student body before he ever walks into the classroom. Studies have

shown that students who are given athletic scholarships have many more adjustment problems than others," he said.

Athletes should not be given privileges other students don't have, he said.

Another major problem with college-level athletics, he said, occurs when students are commercially exploited for the sake of the institution.

"The won-loss record of the football team does not make or break a university's academic reputation," Giamatti said. "If such were the case

The University of Chicago would be considered worthless while The University of Nebraska would be named the finest institution of higher learning."

Financial aid, through scholarships, should not be given on any basis besides that of financial need, Giamatti said.

Giamatti's lecture Thursday concluded a three-day series of public policy addresses he presented here as part of the annual Miller Lecture Series.

Building renamed Blocker

by **Ray Walker**
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Don't be surprised when you see signs on the Academic and Agency Building reading John R. Blocker Building.

A dedication ceremony will be held Saturday to rename the building in honor of John R. Blocker.

Blocker, Class of '45, served on the Texas A&M Board of Regents for six years. He was vice chairman when his term expired in January of this year.

Lane Stephenson, director of public information, said Blocker has received Texas A&M's highest award for career achievement—the Distinguished Alumnus Award.

Blocker has donated more than \$1 million to establish two chairs in the College of Business Administration, Stephenson said.

A chair is money donated to a university to aid a college in program improvement.

He also has endowed two scholarships—the President's Scholarship and the Twelfth Man Scholarship, Stephenson said. Blocker also donated flag poles at the south end of the Field in dedication of his brother who was killed in World War II, Stephenson said.

Dean of the College of Business Administration Dr. William Mobley said he is delighted to be one of the occupants of the John R. Blocker Building.

"He is a fine friend of this University and this college," Mobley said. The ceremony will be held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday in Room 165 of the Blocker Building, he said.

Mary Helen Bowers, director of education information services and head of Saturday's festivities, said Dr. Arthur G. Hansen, Texas A&M System chancellor, and Joe Reynolds, member of the Board of Regents, will speak on behalf of Blocker and the university at the ceremony.

Jerry Fabin and Marianne Dominguez then will present Blocker with a water color painting of the building on behalf of the Business Administration Student Council, Bowers said.

H.R. "Bum" Bright, chairman of the Board of Regents, will present the building to the University, she said. President Frank E. Vandiver will accept the presentation.



staff photo by Guy Chandler Hood

Ranger from the sky

Like spiders coming down a web, the Rudder's Rangers descend more than 50 feet down a rappelling tower at the Firemen's Training School Thursday.

The Rangers received instructions, then applied what they learned. The drill was overseen by Ranger Cmdr. Larry McVay and members of the U.S. Army.

Tellers arrive, not working

Texas A&M should have operational automatic tellers within three weeks, University Controller Robert Smith says.

"The machines are here," Smith said. "After they're installed and tested, I believe we'll have a grand opening within three weeks."

The machines will be located underneath the stairwell between the Memorial Student Center and Rudder Tower.

Construction began on the two MPACT and two Pulse machines this summer to avoid the traffic going through the MSC.

However, a late shipment of wire cages caused a delay in construction of three weeks. The cages will separate the two types of machines for security purposes.

The tellers were proposed in efforts to reduce the long check-cashing lines in Rudder Tower, the MSC and the Coke Building, Smith said.

Much of the traffic should be reduced in the Coke Building, Smith said, but the biggest change will be seen in Rudder Tower.

It's possible that the check cashing center in Rudder Tower could be closed with the addition of the tellers, he said.

"That's the first place we expect relief will show up," Smith said.

The tellers are sponsored by several local banks.

RepublicBank A&M, First Bank & Trust of Bryan and College Station Bank will handle the MPACT machines.

Ags to play Coogs in Kyle Saturday

All hope is not yet lost for the Texas Aggie football team, but pre-season expectations of a winning season are fading fast.

And when Texas A&M hosts the University of Houston Saturday at 2 p.m. in Kyle Field, the Aggies hope to get back on the winning track. On the other hand, Houston will also be looking for a win after two consecutive losses. Houston owns a 2-3 record for the year and Texas A&M stands at 1-3.

The largest Kyle Field crowd of the year so far is expected when the Cougars come to town although no exact estimate has been released. The last time Houston was in town, in 1981, the Aggies defeated the Cougars 7-6 in front of more than 63,000 fans.

No national nor regional television is expected, but the game will be televised to subscribers of Home Sports Entertainment in Houston and Dallas on a delayed basis. The Southwest Conference Football Radio Network will also broadcast the Aggie-Cougar game.

After not seeing action last week while the varsity team traveled to Lubbock to play Texas Tech, the Twelfth Man Kickoff Team will once again take to the field Saturday. The team

has proved to be a valuable asset for the Aggies giving up only an average of 9.2 yards per return.

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forecast

Partly cloudy and warm — highs in upper 80s. 20 percent chance of rain.