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Regents selected, bell returned

By JOHN TYNES

Contrary to what some people lings and brown-headed cowbirds.

Between 22,000 and 25,000 birds had been killed by the time students left Texas A&M for a few weeks during Christman broad.

Officials said the bill. few weeks during Christmas break.

to liven up the Texas A&M campus ordings seem to be driving the birds except they were conducted in an

area that was unusually empty.

John B. Coleman, a Houston
physician became the first black to serve on the Texas A&M Board of Regents when he was appointed to the post by Gov. Dolph Briscoe on Jan. 11. State Sen. Bill Moore, D-Bryan, said he will oppose Briscoe's appointment of Coleman if it

Briscoe also appointed John Blocker of Houston and reappointed H.C. "Dulie" Bell Jr. of Austin to the Board. Blocker, class of '45, said he was suprised by his appointment to the post. to the post.

Birds Blasted Last fall about 2 million birds were peacefully spending their nights in the many trees on campus. But their peaceful rest came to an end in early January.

The birds had covered many sidewalks and trees with up to one and a half inches of fecal matter. University officials were dismayed at the damage to school property and the cost and inconvenience of constantly cleaning the mess.

Officials said the killings, com-In fact, many activities continued bined with cannon blasts and rec-

Polling sites were set for College Station city elections according to the recently adopted ward plan.
The plan divides the Texas A&M campus into three districts, two of which will elect councilmen in

The basketball team defeated the University of Texas in the first of two games against them, but lost the second. They also won against Baylor and SMU.

A one-ton, copper alloy replica of the famous Liberty Bell in Philadelphia was returned to Texas A&M after a year-long bicentennial visit to Austin. The bell, which belongs After trying several ways to chase to the State of Texas, was presented the birds off, the Texas Parks and to Texas A&M by Gov. Allan Shiv-Wildlife Department obtained apers on July 5, 1950 for safekeeping proval to begin killing the birds, for the people of Texas.

Polling sites picked

Ags beat Gators
In sports, the Aggies did pretty
well over the holidays. The football
team put on a fine show in El Paso
on Jan. 2, defeating the Florida Gators 37-14.

Bell returned



Maimed birds dying

It was on display in Austin for the can be submitted for later a nation's 200th anniversary, but it ters. has now been put into storage until new display facilities in the new library extension are ready.

Dorm space scarce
The University Housing Office put a moratorium on on-campus engraved concrete posts t housing applications for next fall except in the Corps dorms because the number of applications already exceeds the number of available

Corps applications are the only ones which will be processed for next fall, but civilian applications cost of approximately \$4,000 ing manufacture, purchase of rials and installation.

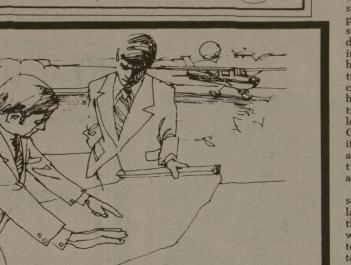
Signs Installed Finding your way around a should now be a bit easier the help provided by new street The bright green signs replace marked University streets for

Eugene H. Ray, direc grounds maintenance, said about new signs were installed at a cost of approximately \$4,000, in



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'Year of the Cat overnight succes

Semester break — the time for holiday parties, Christmas presents, and all the sleep you never had time for during the semester. It's also the time for year-end releases by many record companies, and there have been a lot of them in the past couple of months. I'll get to some of the new releases later, but right now I want to talk about a fine album that has been out for several months now "Year Of The Cat," by Al

Stewart is another of those "over-night successes" who work for years before getting the recognition they deserve. He started his musical career in Great Britain in the early sixties, playing rock 'n roll. He progressed through a Bob Dylan-style folksinger stage and eventually developed the unique style of writing and singing that characterizes they become big changes his recent albums. This style, unfortunately, is not easily described or categorized, and as a result Stewart twist on an old story - the has not, until now, been able to at- of a relationship. It's not as tract more than a small "cult" following in this country. "Year Of The Stewart seems to take a ph Cat" has done a lot to change that; cal view of the situation in it's already his best-selling album, the usual despairing view and many of its songs, especially the title cut, are getting plenty of the odd feeling of deja va airplay, even on AM radio.

songs from so much of today's popular music is their complexity, both thematic and musical. Stewart, who writes practically all of his own matric guitar is nice, too. terial, does not restrict his writing to a few topics; he seems equally at probably the title cut. It's at ease writing about historical events like the Spanish Civil War, as he does in "On the Border," or about by a Bogart movie, and it me does in "On the Border," or about excellent showcase for Stew. Hollywood-style romance, as de-scribed in "Year Of The Cat." The ing. A string section is used music itself is just as interesting. Stewart's lyrics are rich with evocative images and metaphors, and it's good. Sax, piano, and guil usually easy to visualize the scenes being described. The band's instrumentals provide a suitable backdrop to the lyrics without being described. Sax, plain, and get solos during the course song, and the only thing I do about it is the bass, which disco madness' flavor out of the state of t overwhelmed by them. Stewart has ing with Stewart's usual style

used a large number of mo familiar musicians on his r bums, and in addition to hi abilities is a capable band combining a diverse assort distinctive sound. Stewar plays acoustic guitar and ke on the album, and credits given for individual songs, hard to tell for sure who what. But it all sounds goo

that's what counts. All the songs on the all good, but not all can be eas ten about; sometimes it's b just listen and let the must for itself. One that can be d is "On the Border," which literal level concerns gunr Spain. On another level, its the danger of the small of around us that go unnotice

"Sand In Your Shoes" is most songs about this subje "One Stage Before" dea

What distinguishes Stewart's convey the eerie impression ing lived through a situation Stewart uses special effe

The best song on the a romantic fantasy, said to be back up the other instrumen Bobby Bruce's violin is e

McDivitt accepts school appointment

OXFORD, Ohio (UPI) — James Advisory Council.

A. McDivitt, the commander of the Apollo 9 space flight in March, 1969, was among a dozen persons yesterday who accepted appointments to Miami University's School

Natch, honorary Doctor of Science in 1970, is currently pressioned of Business Administration "Busi- firm.

McDivitt, who received

Which helps more, milk or whisky?

HOLLYWOOD (UPI) — A script long. girl working on the taping of a tele-vision show to celebrate American Bandstand's 25th anniversary asked Dick Clark how he and Pat Boone ferent. He drinks milk and managed to keep looking young so whisky.

"I can't say," Clark reports plied.

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