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"He has a lot of years in the field and a lot of wisdom," Lyle said. "He's a unique individual who was really helpful. He was wonderful to be around outside of class and was always very generous and very grateful. He was very much a Southern

gentleman."

When Bell spoke about his students, he took his feet off his desk, sat up proudly and said, "The biggest asset of A&M is the friendship of its students. Over the past years, the University base received. we (the University) have received more compliments on students than

we have on anything else.' Students now are better prepared academically for college, but they are not prepared enough before-hand for the kind of training they will receive while pursuing a D.V.M. Opportunities for hands-on experience are limited today. The situation was different when Bell was in school. He possessed practical know-how, but lacked strong academic knowledge.

Co-op

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"Many parents of A&M students are middle-income families," Yates said. "They make too much money to get financial aid, but they can't always afford to send their children through college. So parents in these situations encourage their children to co-op.

Co-op salaries vary depending on the student's major, but average be-tween \$1,507 and \$1,246.

Yates said faculty members also encourage students to get involved in the program because co-op students prove to be more motivated to do well in school than students who do not co-op.

"Co-op students actually improve their grades because they learn, while working, that what they learn in school will one day be applied to their jobs," Yates said.

The overall GPR of undergraduates at A&M is 2.48 and 2.7 for graduating seniors, but the GPR of co-op students averages is 3.1.

Students become more motivated

to do Well in school because they know that by maintaining a high GPA as well as obtaining significant work experience, they will have a better chance of receiving a higherpaying job, Yates said.

Two percent of the student body is involved in the program, but Yates said he hopes by 1993, 5 percent will be involved. Yates said this is a viable goal because it is so easy to get involved and the requirements of each student are not hard to meet.

Allison Owen, a junior journalism major, spent her first co-op term at the Corps of Engineers in Galveston.

"When I decided to co-op, I was surprised at how easy it was to get in-volved," Owen said. "I heard about the program, contacted the co-op of fice, went to orientation, filled out the paperwork, researched jobs and began interviewing. And I got the job I wanted "

"It's just a different time," he said. There are different requirements and different needs."

Bell said the most rewarding thing about his job, and the thing he will miss the most, is interacting and working with students. He said he especially enjoys seeing the successes his students have made of them-

In 1963 Bell received tenure, but he said it did not carry the same weight as it does today.

Back then, when you received tenure, it was an extra achievement," Bell said. "It was more informal and not as important back then. Today it has become a neccesity for people to advance in their careers and to become successful."

Bell said he realized that if he wanted to advance in education, he would have to pursue a Ph.D. Bell took a leave of absence to attend classes at the University of Minnesota, but continued to do his research at A&M. He received his Ph.D. in 1968.

While in Minnesota, Bell met JoAnne Wetmore, who became his wife in 1964. Bell and his wife have two sons: Thomas, 23, a crew chief for plane maintenance and service in the U.S. Air Force; and James, 22, a senior at A&M majoring in engi-

neering technology.

In 1967 Bell became head of the Department of Parasitology, and served until 1977 when the depart-

ment was merged with the Department of Microbiology.

He has served under five deans of the College of Veterinary Medicine.

Dr. Alvin A. Price, dean emeritus, professor emeritus and director of biomedical science, has worked with Bell since he came to A&M.

"Dr. Bell is a dear friend of mine," Price said. "He was very productive, and I made him head of his department when I served as dean of veterinary medicine.

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Crouch said he isn't saying that Satanism is not a problem, but that there is no data to indicate that there is criminal activity involved.

He said that on a wild guess, out of 700 juveniles he and his graduate students will interview, less than 25 will be involved in "something really scary." He said he thinks it boils down to a concern about children and their influences, much as par-ents were concerned about hair length in the 1960s.

Ann Jimenez is a juvenile probation officer for Brazos County and she said she is concerned about the effects of Satanism in the county

She has seen graffiti at Bryan High, as well as lockers burned by a group calling themselves Third Triumph."

Jimenez said the children who go into Satanism to fill a void, such as those who come from a broken home, concern her the most. When children have these kind of influences early on in life, she said, they may later become problem adults.

The influences are different now and there are more broken families than there used to be," Jimenez said. "Parents know what influences their children.

As far as being a criminal threat, Satanists haven't appeared to affect Bryan-College Station so far, other than in vandalism, she said.

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