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Interview with Mr. James Sartwelle, President of Port City Stockyards. Sartwelle is a 1963 graduate from Texas A&M and an inducted member of the Tyrus R. Timm Honor Registry.

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I'm Jim Sartwelle from Sealy, Texas. I'm Texas A&M Agricultural Economics Class of 1963.

Could you tell us a little about your career?

Well, after graduation from Texas A&M, my first real introduction of what it is to be an Aggie out in the world was when I spent two years of active duty. And I found out real quick that the graduate of Texas A&M that was in the service was well thought of and had a lot to live up to. And you find that out a whole lot more after you get out in the world, what an education right here has done for you, and the doors it opens up for you, and the things that you can get done because you're an Aggie, and the camaraderie that might go along with a lot of the people that you, that you work with and deal with.

What experiences at Texas A&M most helped you in your career?

Well, first of all, I came to Texas A&M because Tyrus R. Timm was a real good friend of my father. So, he was, as I remember it, born and raised in Hallettsville, and my family had deep roots in, just south of Hallettsville, in Lavaca County. I was the – Tyrus R. Timm was the reason why I came to Texas A&M and the reason why I majored in Agricultural Economics.

What advice can you offer to students of agricultural economics?

Don't be afraid to work. Don't be afraid to work. Don't be afraid to take a chance. Don't be afraid to get out and do it yourself. That's the advice that I can give most people.

Is there any other insight you would like to offer students?

Work.

Thank you for listening

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