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American Leaders Today Are Former Students

The 1959-60 freshmen at A&M will be on "hallowed" ground at Aggieland. For it has been over this small plot of earth at College Station that some of the nation's outstanding leaders have walked. It has been over these few acres that many former students first received that valuable training in leadership, discipline and knowledge. The freshmen of today is little different from the freshman

of 1910, 1920 or 1930. For the most part, all have come from various sections of Texas and from all types of economic backgrounds. However, it is safe to say that many were farm boys without much money, boys who "worked their way through" at A&M. To name all of the successful graduates of Aggieland would require a volume; to tell the story of each Aggie would require a li-

brary. Their accomplishments in the world of business, industry, the military and other fields are truly outstanding.

In the military field, for example, many "former freshmen" have been eminently successful. Gen. O. P. Weyland, Class of '23, until recently was commanding General of the Tactical Air Command. Lt. Gen. Bernard A. Schriever, Class of '31, is commander of the U. S. Air Missiles Program. Maj. Gen. Alvin A. Luedeker, Class of '32, is general manager of the Atomic Energy Commission. This is to name only three who at one time were Aggies—just entering freshmen. These were men who worried and tussled over classroom work, men much like the freshmen of '59.

A&M has had many outstanding graduates in the field of education. Gen. A. D. Bruce, Class of '16, is chancellor of the University of Houston. Dr. William E. Morgan, Class of '30, is president of Colorado State University. These were students who took ROTC training here; who studied at the library; who ate their meals at the mess hall.

The public utilities industry contains many A&M graduates who hold high positions. For instance, E. H. Leavey, Class of '15, is chairman of the board of International Telephone and Telegraph. Lester T. Potter, Class of '28, is president of Lone Star Gas Company. J. B. Thomas, Class of '12, is president of Texas Electric Service Company. W. W. Lynch, Class of '22, is president of Texas Power and Light Company. J. L. Bates, Class of '20, is president of Central Power and Light Company. Price Campbell, Class of '13, is president of West Texas Utility Company. These few examples indicate that this is a field where Aggies have "made good."

At one time they were young men just out of high school who came to Aggieland to begin their higher education—men who had the determination to apply themselves and to succeed.

The oil industry is another field where Aggies have made their way to the top. J. W. Foley, Class of '32 is president of Texaco, Inc. J. H. Dunn, Class of '25, is president of Shamrock Oil and Gas Company. W. C. McGee, Jr., Class of '31, is president of Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company. J. L. Sewell, Class of '27, is president of Delhi-Taylor Oil Company. Delbert Brockett, Class of '34, is president of British-American Oil Company. W. T. Askew, Class of '31 is president of Sun Oil Company of Canada. W. T. Doherty, Class of '22, is president of the Mound Company. These men look back to their days at Aggieland with pride and remember that they, too, were once freshmen who had a lot to do and a lot to look forward to.

Former students like H. A. Sawyer, Class of '16, president of Lone Star Cement Company; Tyree L. Bell, Class of '13, president of Austin Road Company; J. W. Astor, Class of '33, president of Republic National Bank; George Mitchell, Class of '40, president of Christi-Mitchell-Mitchell; M. T. Halbouty, Class of '30, petroleum engineer and geologist and Leonard S. Hobbs, Class of '16, vice president of United Aircraft Company, have proved themselves successful. They, like the others, walked the drill field, studied late at night and participated in the affairs of the student body very much like the freshmen of 1959-60 will do.

This year's freshmen will walk over ground where these and countless others have walked during the past 83 years. These freshmen will one day be among the leaders of our country. As they make this ascent they will be extended a helping hand by the former students who are already on top for the closeness which has become the "spirit of Aggieland" never dies in a person.

KAZAN PLANS BUSY SEASON
NEW YORK (AP)—Director Elia Kazan has lined up a busy assignment schedule for next season on Broadway.

He has agreed to stage three dramatic entries. In chronological order they are "The Night Circus," by Michael V. Gazzo, "J. B.," by Archibald MacLeish, and "Sweet Bird of Youth," by Tennessee Williams.

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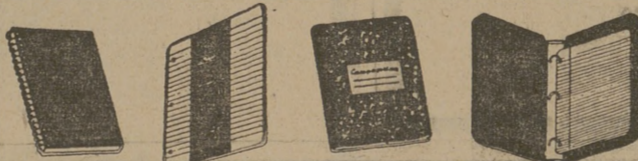
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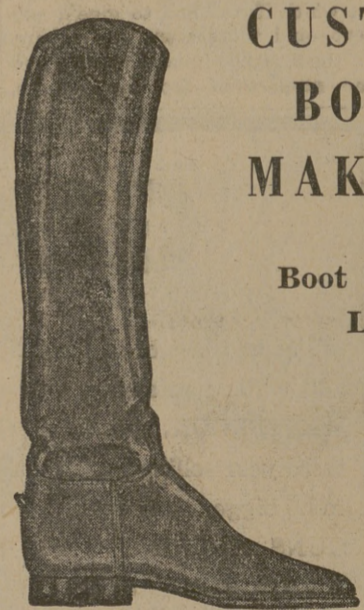


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