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## Patteson Is New District Judge

### B.E. Schraub Named DA

DISTRICT JUDGE.



E. W. PATTESON

DISTRICT ATTY.



B. E. SCHRAUB

(Photos courtesy Gonzales Inquirer and Seguin Enterprise)

E. W. Patteson, of Gonzales, former district attorney for the 25th Judicial District including Colorado, Lavaca, Guadalupe, and Gonzales Counties was appointed Tuesday, Dec. 29th, as judge of the Second 25th Judicial District by Texas Governor Preston Smith.

Patteson, whose appointment became effective Jan. 1, 1971, succeeded Judge Willis Ellison. Judge Ellison retired Dec. 31 after 42 years in public life.

B. E. Schraub, the county judge of Guadalupe County and a resident of Seguin, was appointed by Gov. Smith to succeed Patteson as District Attorney.

Patteson received a telegram Tuesday of last week informing him of the governor's choice.

Mr. Patteson had served as district attorney since 1966. Prior to that he had been the county attorney, taking office in 1951.

He received his law degree from Baylor University after graduating from Southwest Texas State University and attending the University of Texas at Austin.

Schraub, the new D. A., was appointed Guadalupe County Judge on Nov. 1, 1969. He was elected to a four-year term in the November general election.

He is a member of the Committee of 100 appointed by Gus Mutsaers, speaker of the Texas House of Representatives.

A resident of Guadalupe County for all but a few years of his life, Schraub served there as the Corporation Court Judge and then the Presiding Judge of the County Court of Law before being appointed county judge.

He received his law degree from St. Mary's University in San Antonio.

A practicing attorney since 1954, Schraub is the president of the Guadalupe County Abstract Company, president of the Texas Land Title Association and a director of the Nolte National Bank of Seguin.

## Julius Meiers To Observe 50th Anniv. Sunday

Mr. and Mrs. Julius Meier will hold open house from 2 to 5 p.m. in observance of their golden wedding anniversary on Sunday, Jan. 10. Relatives and friends are invited through the press only to the anniversary event at the Cat Spring Agricultural Hall.

The couple request that no gifts be given.

## Outpost Well Stated In Ramsey Area

Natural Resources Corp and Kephlinger & Associates Inc., Houston, have announced that they will drill an 11,000 foot south outpost to East Ramsey field two miles northeast of Ramsey and north of Eagle Lake in Colorado County.

The No. 1 Birdwell et al is 2275 feet south-southwest of gas production in the field. It is on 351 acres in Peter K. Bartleson survey, A-84. Location is 660 feet from northwest line and 660 feet from northeast line of the lease or 4575 feet from northeast line and 4700 feet from southeast line of the survey.

LINE OF SUNSHINE  
When a man's ways please the Lord, he maketh even his enemies to be at peace with him. Proverbs 16:7.

## C. of C. PLANS OUTSTANDING 20TH ANNUAL BANQUET

### One Of States Most Popular Speakers Booked

The Eagle Lake Chamber of Commerce is making plans for an outstanding program for its Twentieth Annual Banquet Meeting which will be held at the Eagle Lake Community Center on Monday, January 18th.

At the event, the chamber plans to recognize past presidents of the chamber for the past twenty years. Other highlights of the event will be a delicious roast beef and rice menu to be catered by Mrs. George Andel and staff, installation of the 1971 officers and directors; and an address by Reagan Brown, one of the state's most popular speakers.

Mr. Brown, a graduate of Texas A&M University with three degrees is a professional sociologist with the Agricultural Extension Service of Texas A&M University and is a recognized authority on community development and human relations.

Mr. Brown's sparkling style and down to earth philosophy has made him a favorite speaker at many, many functions. Equally at home in academic circles or at rural community meetings, he has received standing ovations on college campuses, at sales meetings, conventions, and hundreds of community get-togethers.

Mr. Brown is a community builder, ambassador for Texas, Sunday School teacher, father, Aggie, and a champion for the development of a prosperous agriculture, and the acceleration of the industrialization of the state. He commented Decker Anderson, 1970 president of the C. of C., and chairman of the 1971 banquet.

"We feel extremely fortunate in having detailed the services of Mr. Brown and anticipate a record gathering for the 20th annual banquet meeting."

Tickets to the banquet, at \$3.50 each are now on sale with the 1970 directors of the chamber. Each director has a group of members to call on. The tickets must be purchased or definite confirmation given, not later than Thursday, Jan. 14th. After that date the tickets will be available only in a limited quantity from the chamber of office in the Headlight building. Non-members of the chamber are welcome to attend, but must contact the chamber of office not later than Jan. 14th for tickets.

Other portions of the program will include official acceptance of a historical marker for this community from the Texas Historical Society; and awards to rice producers for outstanding production during the 1970 season.

## H&R Block Opens Tax Office Here



Emily Stiles, left; Walter J. McAdams, right

Mrs. L. W. (Billy) Stiles, Jr., has been named to head the Eagle Lake operations of H & R Block, America's largest income tax service.

In the photo above, Walter J. McAdams, Regional Director for H & R Block, is shown with Mrs. Stiles, who is office manager, in a ribbon cutting ceremony.

The new H & R Block office is located in Emily's Realty at 115 East Main Street in downtown Eagle Lake, in the former Koudelka Jewelry location.

Mrs. Stiles said "She felt that this would be another service that she could offer."

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REAGAN BROWN

## Koudelkas Sell Royal Cleaners To Bradshaws

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Koudelka announce that they have sold their business, the Royal Cleaners, to Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Bradshaw, effective January 1st.

Mr. and Mrs. Bradshaw are now operating the Royal Cleaners in its present location at 120 Commerce St., but anticipate a move to a new location to be announced in the near future.

The new owners of Royal Cleaners have had considerable experience in this type of business since Mr. Bradshaw's late father was engaged in the cleaning and pressing business for thirty-eight years and his mother presently operates a cleaning plant in Freer, Texas.

The new owners say they will continue the high quality service offered by the cleaning, alterations, laundry and free pick up and delivery service. They invite citizens of the community to come by at any time to discuss care of garments of all kinds. Frances Koudelka and John Koudelka are cordially invited to visit.

Bill Stiles plans to continue his duties as the Commissioner for Precinct Four in Colorado County on a full time basis.

No formal opening is being planned but all are welcome to come by to view the offices and facilities to be offered any time after the opening Monday.

Mrs. Stiles has successfully completed a Texas Realtors Institute Course covering a wide range of subjects, including: real estate, appraisals, finance and closing, real estate sales, construction, real estate law and professional standards. She plans to specialize in tax free exchange of property and to perfect savings of income tax for her clients.

Mrs. Stiles also recently completed with high honors a sixty hour course of H & R Block tax service. To keep abreast of current tax laws.

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## Kevin James Whitfield First Baby Of 1971

Kevin James Whitfield was the first baby to be born in the Eagle Lake Community Hospital this year. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd James Whitfield of 702 Fairview, Eagle Lake. He was born January 1st at 9:10 p.m. weighing six pounds and two ounces.

The Whitfields have three other children.

## Tax Group To Be Here Mon., Tues., Wed.

Colorado County Tax Officer Henry J. Hajovsky and his deputies will be here for three days next week to collect 1970 taxes and to register voters for the 1971 voting year; and to take assessments for 1971 taxes.

The group is now on tour of the county and will be at the Sheridan School Thursday morning of this week, Jan. 7th from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.; and at the Rock Island Community Center from 1 to 3:30 p.m. this Thursday, also. The deputies will be at the H&S Grocery in Berardo from 8:45 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday.

The group will be in the council room of the Municipal Building in Eagle Lake from 8:45 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday.

Thursday, Jan. 14th they will be at Hopkins' office in Garwood from 8:45 a.m. to 3:45 p.m.; at Mayes Store in Oakland Friday, Jan. 15; and at Richter's Place in Lone Oak and Hensom Store in Freisburg Mon., Jan. 18.

On Jan. 19th the tax group will be at Schoellmann's grocery in Nada from 8:45 a.m. to 3:45 p.m.; and will close the tour at the Altair Rice Dryer Office from 9 a.m. to 12 noon on Wed., Jan. 20th.

## Emily's Realty To Open Here Next Monday

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Stiles, Jr., announce the date for the opening of their new real estate office, which will be known as Emily's Realty, located at 115 East Main Street in Eagle Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Stiles are both licensed and bonded real estate agents and members of the Texas Real Estate Association. Emily Stiles will maintain office hours from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on a six-day week and cordially invites citizens to stop by for a visit.

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## Study Of Psalms Begins At Lissie Church Sunday

This Sunday, January 10th at 7:00 p.m. the Lissie United Methodist Church will hold the first of a series of four studies on the book of Psalms.

The Rev. Wayne Jones of the Wharton United Methodist Church will be the leader.

"Everyone is invited to come and be a part of this study," said the Rev. G. Ray Lloyd, pastor.

## Melvin Campbell In VA Hospital

Melvin F. Campbell of Matagorda and formerly a resident of Eagle Lake for many years, is confined to the Veterans Hospital in Houston for tests and examinations in an effort to improve circulation in his legs.

All join in prayers for his complete recovery to good health in the immediate future.

## ELHS Furnishings Go On Go On Sale Sat. & Sun.

### 18, 19, 20 Year Olds May Register To Vote

Colorado County Tax Officer Henry J. Hajovsky has received word from Secretary of State Martin Dies, Jr. that 18, 19, and 20 year olds may vote in federal elections and those persons interested in registering must apply at his office in Columbus.

Mr. Dies pointed out in his letter that although there are no federal elections scheduled in the voting year 1971, there is the possibility of a special election to fill a vacancy in a federal office.

The county tax officer was authorized to issue registration certificates to all applicants 18, 19, and 20 years of age and to those persons who are not yet 18, but will be 18 before March 1, 1972.

For persons in this category the voter registration certificates should have stamped or written in red ink across the face of the certificate, "Federal Elections Only Until 21 Years of Age, Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_"

The secretary of state said, "The birthdate is now a necessity since a person becomes eligible to vote in federal elections on or after the date and in state and local elections on another date. The space on the certificate 'not entitled to vote until' should be filled with the 18th birthday of the applicant if he is not already 18 years of age."

Applications for voting, for any age person, must be filed with the County Tax Office before midnight Sunday, Jan. 10th.

## New Year Holidays Pass Quietly Here

Eagle Lake police report that the New Year's holiday season passed quietly in this community.

The officers got very few calls and Chief Roy Chisum said there were no major wrecks investigated.

One driver from Florida was arrested for driving while intoxicated and a charge of aggravated assault was filed against a local man.

Harlon Edward Clark was tried on the charge of DWI in county court and was given a fine of \$150 and costs and three days in the county jail and license was suspended for one year. County Judge Lester Cranek granted his plea for probation of the jail sentence and license suspension.

David Samora was charged in county court with aggravated assault on Geraldine Samora. This case is pending trial.

## Primary School Achievement Test Results

January 11th, 12th, and 13th, Monday through Wednesday, will be the dates for parents to meet briefly with their child's teacher to view the results of the recent achievement tests given to grades 2 and 3. The S. R. A. (Scientific Research Associates) Achievement Test was given this year in October. Previously, the Stanford Achievement Test was given in April.

Parents should arrange to meet the teacher in the teacher's homeroom between 2:45 and 3:30 P.M. on the above days. All parents are encouraged to come as this test should show the child's strengths and weaknesses, said Principal Major Benges.

## C. of C. To Work Toward Full-Time Office

The Eagle Lake Chamber of Commerce met Monday to consider the recommendations of an executive committee on the possibility of establishing a full-time chamber office. The executive committee, composed of 1971 president D. A. Thornton, 1970 president Dexter Anderson, vice-president Frank Sherrer, secretary Fred R. Friska and assistant secretary T. J. Smith, made three proposals to the chamber.

First, that dues for 1971 be set at \$35.00 per year per membership as was approved last year;

Second, that a full-time office be established in the vacant office space in the Municipal Building (formerly the school tax office and before that used for a Chamber of Commerce office), and that the office be staffed with a qualified person at a maximum salary of \$20 per month so as to remain within the projected 1971 budget;

Third, that the new president, Mr. Thornton, be authorized to set up qualifications for such person to be hired to staff the office.

The recommendations were approved as submitted and President Thornton plans to make appointments of a committee to function to set up the qualification standards.

The Chamber of Commerce office has been maintained on a part-time basis in the Eagle Lake Headlight office since the early 1950s.

The recommendation for the full-time office originated with the chamber's long-range planning committee. It was felt by the committee that a full-time employee could more effectively coordinate chamber committee activities and provide the chamber with more positive identity than is now practical.

## Evening Lions Sponsoring Sale Of Assorted Items

The Eagle Lake Evening Lions Club has completed plans for the sale of furniture and fixtures of the former Eagle Lake High School Building in a sale to be conducted this Saturday and Sunday, January 9th and 10th.

A wide variety of items will be offered for sale during the two day event. Each item will be marked and priced for the convenience of those who would like to make purchases. The Evening Lions will receive a percentage of the sales as a commission for conducting the sales and will use profits derived for the benefit of community projects. Remainder of the proceeds from the sale will go to the Rice Consolidated School District.

The Lions will offer the vast selection of items for sale at the high school building at 200 West Prairie St. in Eagle Lake from 2 to 6 p.m. Saturday, January 9th and from 2 to 6 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 10th.

The Lions will deliver your purchases within five miles of the high school for \$5.00 per load. All items will be sold "as is" with no returns or exchanges. All sales will be for cash and will be final.

Included among the sale items will be antique such as chairs; ceiling fans, ink-well type desks; special items such as beautiful blue vein marble and genuine state chalk blackboards.

A big selection of student desks, office and teacher desks, plumbing fixtures, air conditioners, ping pong table tops, drafting tables, typewriters, electric water coolers, dress makers, kitchen cabinets, a piano, doors, mirrors, theatre seats, book cases, lockers, and many more items will be offered for sale.

The Lions point out that many of the items to be offered for sale are in excellent condition and ready for use. Since Eagle Lake High School is no longer in existence, many of the items will make excellent keepsakes in memory of many happy years of school days in the Eagle Lake school building.

## Temperature Skids To 20s

The Eagle Lake area experienced its first sub-freezing temperature early Tuesday morning when the thermometer skidded to a low of 28 degrees. On Wednesday morning the thermometer dropped to 32 degrees and even lower in some areas.

Some light rainfall was reported in the area during the week-end. The lake plant of the Lakeside Irrigation Co. measured 12 of an inch, the first recording of the 1971 year.

The lake plant measured a total of 39.86 inches of rain for the year 1970 just under the normal rainfall for this area.

## New County Judge Takes Oath Of Office



County Clerk Lester Schneider, right, administers the oath of office to Dr. Lester J. Cranek, recently appointed by the County Commissioners Court to serve as Colorado County Judge. Dr. Cranek took the oath of office in a brief ceremony in the county courtroom at 10:15 a.m. Dec. 31st and is now serving in his new position.