

Sam K Seymour Jr. Ends Impressive 36 Years As LCRA Board Member

Jay Anderson Of Eagle Lake Sworn In As Successor Friday

Governor Bill Clements' appointment of Jay Anderson of Eagle Lake to the board of directors of the Lower Colorado River Authority ended over three decades of illustrious service on the board for Sam K. Seymour, Jr. of Columbus.

The Texas Senate, on March 5th confirmed the appointment of Anderson on Jan. 1, 1981; however Anderson did not actually begin his six-year term until he was sworn into office by County Judge Lester J. Cranek in a ceremony in the county courtroom in Columbus last Friday afternoon.

Mr. Seymour commented prior to the swearing in ceremony, Mr. Anderson paid tribute to Mr. Seymour for his great service to the LCRA and to the citizens of this state and nation. Mr. Seymour was in St. Luke's Hospital in Houston at that time, undergoing tests, and was unable to attend. He had asked his daughter-in-law, Mrs. Katie Seymour, and his granddaughter, Martha Seymour, to be his "stand-in" at the ceremony.

The new LCRA board member extended thanks to those who came for the ceremony, including members of his family, his wife, Faye, and children Cynthia DeLaughter, Sharon Webb and Milton Anderson; also close friends and associates in Republican Party activities, Harold Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. William N. Lehrer and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Truly; also the Seymours and Fred R. Franks of the Headlight and Andy Heines of the Colorado County Citizen.

Mr. Anderson said that he is proud that he should have the opportunity to serve the people of the Lower Colorado River area on the LCRA board. He noted that his

Mr. and Mrs. Sam K. Seymour, Jr.



Mr. and Mrs. Sam K. Seymour, Jr., are shown above receiving the keys to the Fayette Power Plant from Sam K. Seymour, Jr. during the dedication ceremony in July 1979. At that time Mr. Seymour was cited with many honors for thirty-four years of dedicated service on the board of the Lower Colorado River Authority.

constituency obligations included the citizens of Colorado County, the rice industry, consumers of electricity produced by LCRA facilities and to the taxpayers and citizens at large over the entire state.

He outlined the remarkable growth shown by LCRA under the guidance of directors such as Mr. Seymour and many others. Anderson pointed out that he is not the first member of the board from the Eagle Lake area, since Fritz Engelhard held a directorship at the time the LCRA was founded (in 1935-1941). Actually LCRA was created by an act of the Texas Legislature in 1934, and growth has been such that in the past year the authority sold over \$165 million worth of electricity generated at five dams and

hydro-electric plants, from two natural gas plants, Sim Gideon plant in Bastrop and Ferguson plant at Marble Falls and the latest addition, the Sam K. Seymour Jr. coal burning generating station at the Fayette Power Plant near La Grange.

Since Mr. Seymour began serving on the board in 1945, gross revenue has increased from \$3.7 million to \$167 million, noted Anderson. Also, total property worth increased from \$4 million to \$56 million and employees from 100 to 1250.

At the time Mr. Seymour went on the board there were only three dams and hydro-generating facilities. "It is proper that the new coal fired facilities at La Grange be named for this man, Mr. Seymour, who has done so much for LCRA and the people of the State of Texas," concluded Anderson.

Anderson added that plans are being completed for more appropriate ceremonies and presentations to be made by the LCRA board to Mr. Seymour at a later date.

Judge Administers Oath
Prior to administering the oath of office, Judge Cranek commented on activities in which he had been associated with Mr. Anderson and stated, "I can think of no one better qualified to represent the rice-producing industry which is such a vital part of the economy of Colorado County on the LCRA board." He too added words of praise for Mr. Seymour's service on the LCRA board for the past 36 years.

The new LCRA board member, in addition to farming rice, soybeans, corn and milo in Colorado, Wharton and Jackson Counties, is also the owner and president of Prairie Commodities, Inc., which operates a rice and soybean dryer in Chesterville and other drying and storage facilities in East Bernard and Wharton and is also a charter director of Rice Belt Warehouse, Inc. of El Campo.

Other rice industry affiliations include serving as president of Prairie Farm Management, Inc., charter director and original incorporator of American Rice Inc.

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(AKI) in Houston; chairman of the finance and administration committee for ARI.

In the past he has served on the National Rice Advisory Committee to the Secretary of Agriculture; and as an advisory director to Texas Bank for Cooperatives.

His family is active in the Lasso United Methodist Church; he is a member of the Rotary Club of Eagle Lake and has served as chairman of the board of the Mexican American Youth Council for many years. Anderson has also played an active role in the Republican Party including membership on the Texas State Republican Executive Committee; delegate to numerous state and national conventions and on political campaign committees on the state and national level.

Four-Time Bd. Chairman
Mr. Seymour, affectionately known to friends throughout the state and nation as "Mr. Sam", has served for thirty-six years on the LCRA board and served as board chairman on four different occasions, in 1950, 1955, 1962 and 1972.

Mr. Seymour was appointed to the LCRA board by Governor Coke Stevenson just as World War II was drawing to a close. The Authority at that time had just celebrated its 10th birthday and its generation capacity amounted to a little more than 200 megawatts.

He was reappointed to the board in 1961 by Gov. Allan Shivers, again by Gov. Shivers in 1967, by Gov. Price Daniel in 1969, by Gov. John Connally in 1969 and by Gov. Dolph Briscoe in 1975. His tenure included service under governors Buford Lester, Preston Smith and the present governor, Bill Clements.

One of the proudest moments during the thirty-six year career of Mr. Seymour and wife, Maria, known to friends as "Muddie", in July of 1979 when dedication ceremonies were held at the Fayette Power Project near La Grange.

Remarkable Growth
LCRA has grown through the 36-years of service by Mr. Seymour to an organization with over 1250 employees and generates over 1500 megawatts, many of which come from the new Sam K. Seymour, Jr. Generating Plant.

At the dedication, a plaque was presented to the Seymours with the inscription noting Mr. Seymour's "distinguished record of accomplishments and dedicated service to the people of Texas, these two coal-fired generating units are named for Sam K. Seymour, Jr., who has given generously of his time and energy to the achievements of the Authority."

Jake Strahan, chairman of the LCRA board at that time, praised Mr. Seymour as a man "who had no fear of change but rather had faith in change."

Praised By Gen. Mgr.
Charles Herring, current general manager of LCRA, said that Mr. Seymour will be missed on the board. His comments included: "Mr. Seymour knows so much about the Authority and has been an outstanding member and took great interest and pride in LCRA. He had good business judgment... so we'll miss him on the board."

Mr. Seymour's familiar smiling face will be missed on the LCRA board, not only by board members and employees,

but by countless others who have benefited from his great service for the betterment of the Lower Colorado River area of Texas.

Congratulations For New LCRA Bd. Member



Sam K. Seymour, Jr., of Columbus, ended thirty-six years of outstanding service on the board of directors of the Lower Colorado River Authority on Friday of last week when Jay Anderson of Eagle Lake was officially installed as a board member following the oath of office administered by County Judge Lester J. Cranek. Mr.

Seymour was ill at the time and undergoing tests in St. Luke's Hospital in Houston and he asked his daughter-in-law, Mrs. Katie Seymour, left, and his granddaughter, Miss Martha Seymour, to "stand in" for him. Martha is shown above extending congratulations and best wishes to Mr. Anderson in behalf of her grandfather. At the right is Mrs. Anderson (Faye).

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Study Club Program On Dried Arrangements

The March meeting of the Eagle Lake Study Club was held in the conference room of the Eula and David Wintermann Library on Wednesday, March 11th with the President Mrs. A. F. Wiese presiding.

A short business meeting was held with secretary Mrs. Robert Wilcox reading her report and the treasurer's report was given by Mrs. Herman Boothe. In the absence of Mrs. J. C. Laughlin, the library report was given by Mrs. June

Pirtle. She reported that more than 800 items were checked out last month. The copying machine is now back in working order. The meeting was turned over to Mrs. Joe Reed who introduced the guest speaker, Mrs. Quentin Steitz of Columbus, who gave a demonstration on dried arrangements. They were made from grasses and shrubs many of which are found in

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Hist. Society To Meet Thurs. In Weimar

The Colorado County Historical Commission will meet this Thursday, March 19th at the David Gunn home at 800 West Market Street in Weimar, beginning at 7 p.m. Miss Lee Nesbitt will give the program on the Hunter Family.

Last Rites For Frances Sheridan Hadley Held Fri.

Funeral services were held from the chapel of the Mill-Bauer Funeral Home in Eagle Lake at 3:00 p.m. Friday, March 19th for Frances Sheridan Hadley of Sheridan who died suddenly of a heart attack at her home last Wednesday afternoon, March 11th.

The Rev. Bernie Helge, pastor of the Sheridan Baptist Church, officiated at the services. Interment followed in the Cheatham Cemetery near Sheridan.

Ms. Hadley was born March 16, 1934 in Sheridan, the daughter of Buel C. and Bertha Briscoe Sheridan and had resided in the Sheridan community for all of her life.

Surviving are four daughters, Diane Sikes of San Antonio, Zola Mae Smith of Lockhart, Little Mae Smith of Edna and Bobbie June Hadley of Bellville; one son, James Allen Hadley; a sister, Lannie D. Sheridan of Sheridan; two brothers, Raymond D. Sheridan of Madisonville and O. L. Sheridan of Sheridan; several grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

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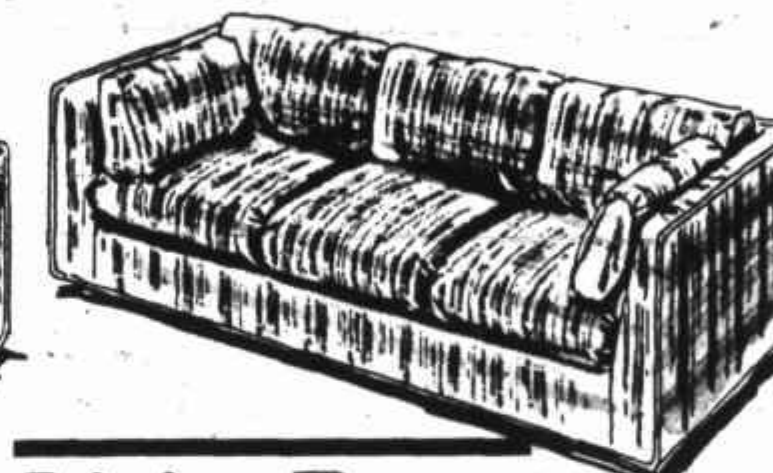
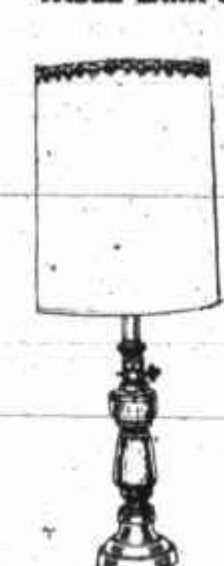
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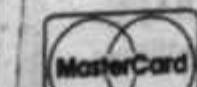
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1 - Set of 2 Ends, 1 Cocktail Table (Oak).....	\$389.95	\$199.95
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