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Patsy Shaffer, Charles Darden United In Church Rites January 3

Miss Patricia Laurette Shaffer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Louaine Shaffer of 305 Mesquite Street, Ranger, and Charles Marion Darden, son of Mr. and Mrs. James G. Darden of 3906 Griffin Street, Portsmouth, Virginia, were married Saturday, January 3, at 7 p.m. in St. Rita's Catholic Church in Ranger.



Mr. and Mrs. Charles Marion Darden

Mrs. Gafner Is Hostess to WMS Circle

The Kathleen Jones Circle of the First Baptist Church Women's Missionary Society met in the home of Mrs. O. R. Gafner Tuesday morning at 9:30.

Young People To Hear Billy Graham Speak

The Young People of the First Baptist Church will go to Dallas Sunday to the Evangelical Crusade and hear the Youth Choirs and to hear Rev. Billy Graham speak.

Mrs. J. C. Carter Is Hostess to Riddell Circle

The Riddell Circle of the First Baptist Church WMU met Tuesday morning in the home of Mrs. J. C. Carter, circle chairman.

Women's Activities

January 12 The WSCS of the First Methodist Church will meet Monday, Jan. 12, at 8:30 p.m.

January 13 The Rho Phi Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi will meet January 13 at 8 p.m.

January 14 The New Era Club will meet Wednesday, Jan. 14, at the Ranger Community Clubhouse.

January 15 The Dorcas Class of the First Baptist Church will not meet Jan. 8, as originally scheduled.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a gown of pearl white bouquet taffeta by Galina, fashioned with bracelet length sleeves and an empire bodice.

The groom, who attended school in Portsmouth, Virginia, is now in the U. S. Army, soon to be stationed in Germany.

First Christian Church Jack Barker, Pastor

The public is cordially invited to attend all services of the First Christian Church on Main Street.

Mrs. Harris Is Hostess at SS Class Dinner

The Grace Sunday School Class of the First Baptist Church met Monday night at 6:30 at the home of Mrs. Clyde Harris for a dinner and social.

Visiting Here Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Maddox and Tony of Houston have returned home after a visit with Mr. and Mrs. G. O. Strong.

Study Course to Begin Monday at Second Baptist

A study course will begin Monday, Jan. 12, and continue through Friday, Jan. 16, at the Second Baptist Church, meeting at 7 p.m. each night.

Announcement

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Weekly Schedule of Public Services SUNDAY — Bible Classes 9:45 a.m. Worship 10:45 a.m. Young peoples class 6:00 p.m. Worship 7:30 p.m. TUESDAY — Ladies Bible class 9:30 a.m. WEDNESDAY — Bible lessons, Singing 7:30 p.m.

A Cordial Welcome Awaits You At Every Service

Officers Are Elected At Ranger Garden Club Meeting January 8

The Ranger Garden Club met in the home of Mrs. W. J. Van Bibber Friday morning at 9:30.

The following new officers were elected: president, Mrs. L. Bruce; first vice-president, Mrs. W. J. Van Bibber; second vice-president, Mrs. Robert Jackson; recording secretary, Mrs. Alex Eberson; corresponding secretary, Mrs. F. P. Brasher, Jr.; treasurer, Mrs. V. V. Cooper; historian, Mrs. F. S. Pearsall; and reporter, Mrs. Honor Perry.

The nominating committee were: Mrs. Floyd Killingsworth, chairman; and Mmes. Van Bibber, Brasher, Wier, and James Ratliff.

RETURNS TO BORGER Miss Judy Babbs has returned to her home in Borger, Texas, after spending the holidays with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Kirk Wheat.

The program on "Landscaping" held following the program. Refreshments of coffee and cookies were served to the following: Mmes. Perry, Smith, Roscoe Roper, C. B. Pruet, Bruce, Alex Robertson, H. C. Montgomery, R. L. Allen, McAnally, W. H. Ciem, L. D. Tankersley, Gordon, Carl Lummas, B. S. Dudley, Sr., Cooper, H. C. Croom, Wier, Braza, Wallace, W. F. Creager, O. G. Lanier, Johnson, L. E. Gray, Killingsworth, VanBibber, and one new member, Mrs. W. E. Simpson.

First Baptist Church

Rev. Ralph Perkins, pastor of the First Baptist Church, will bring the message Sunday morning on "The Scriptural Plan of Discipleship." This message will be a continuation of that theme, "This Is Our Church." Scriptural references are Acts 6:1-8 and I Timothy 3:8-13.

The evening message will be taken from Revelation 2:8-11. The topic will be "The Church at Smyrna Receives A Message from the Lord." The choir and congregational singing will be directed by Lee Russell. Special music will be presented for the morning service by the choir. The evening special music will be a solo by Mrs. James Eaton, who will sing "His Eyes Are On the Sparrow."

Sunday school attendance has been holding up rather well with the illness and cold weather. An urgent appeal is made by the superintendent, Mark Lawson, for all teachers and members to be present this Sunday. Training Union meets at 4:30 p.m. Training Union Directors Glenn West is asking for full cooperation for an increased attendance Sunday night. The pastor extends an invitation to those who have no church affiliation or no local church home to attend services in the First Baptist Church. The modern nursery is open during all services.

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Services Set Church of God

The following is the weekly schedule of services for the Church of God, Strawn Road and First St. as announced by the pastor Rev. J. C. Atkins.

Sunday School 10 a.m.; Morning Services, 11 a.m.; Evening Evangelistic, 7 p.m.; Y.P.E., 7:30 p.m. Wednesday; and Bible Study, 1:30 p.m. Friday.

Merriman Baptist Announcements

The following is the weekly announcement for the Merriman Baptist Church, Sunday school, 10 a.m., church services, 11 a.m., evening service 7:30 p.m., Wednesday night prayer meeting at 8.

RETURNS FROM LUBBOCK

Miss Nina Henry has returned home from Lubbock after spending the Christmas holidays with her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Stevens and Bonnie.

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Mrs. Turner Is Hostess to Circle No. 1

Circle No. 1 of the WSCS met January 5 in the home of Mrs. J. L. Turner. Mrs. Guston Dixon was co-hostess.

Mrs. A. J. Ratliff led the opening prayer. The program was presented by Mrs. W. F. Croager on the proceedings of the Fifth Assembly, which convened in St. Louis May 6-9. The main theme of the program was "To Carry the Message of Christ to Our People Both at Home and Abroad."

Mrs. Dixon, chairman, presided over the business meeting. Reports were made on the absent members. The cheer fund committee a and treasurer's reports were given. Members reported 136 visits.

The following members were present: Mmes. Dixon, Turner, Guy Brown, E. L. Danley, Ratliff, McAnelly, A. W. Brundage, W. H. Clarke, F. H. Mims, H. C. Croom, Lillian Wolfe, Croager, Arthur Deffenbach G. O. Strong, Shawfield, Charlie Garrett, and John Ivy.

Visiting Relatives Mrs. N. J. Navokich is visiting her son, Ira Navokich and family, in Albuquerque, N. M. She also visited friends and relatives in Memphis, Tenn.; Little Rock, Arkansas; and Oklahoma City. She visited her grandson, Sgt. Ino D. Novogich, in Annapolis.

Highway Death Rates Decreases in State

Governor Price Daniel said today that preliminary figures, showing a nine per cent reduction in Texas highway deaths as compared with four per cent for the entire nation, are a tribute to the tremendous efforts of Texans who have given so much time and energy to savings lives on our streets and highways.

Despite the lower death rate in Texas, however, Eastland County completed the year with the highest number of highway fatalities ever recorded. The Governor said the tentative figures, compiled by the Statistical Services of the Department of Public Safety, indicate that more than 200 lives were saved in 1958 as compared with 1957 traffic deaths. Final figures will not be known until the holiday and hospital reports are completed, the Governor said, "but it is certain that the Statewide campaign for reducing highway fatalities in 1958 has been very successful."

Total traffic deaths for 1957 were 2,539, and up to Dec. 19, the 1958 total was 2,126. December, 1957, deaths totaled 218, and last year's Christmas-New Year's holiday exacted 102 lives. This year's nine-day holiday toll thus far reported was only 61, the lowest since 1946. If final reports verify that total, it will be one of the lowest on record.

With such comparatively small loss of life in the holiday period, this December may prove to have been one of the safest Decembers in years, traffic-wise. "In any event, the Governor said, "it appears that 1958 will be the second consecutive year in which Texas has reduced its traffic toll. The 1957 death list was down three per cent over 1956, and 1958 apparently will add another nine or ten per cent reduction.

"While the prospective reduction of nine per cent is great by any recent comparison and double the national improvement, we cannot overlook the stark reality that over 2,100 Texans and visitors from other States have been killed on our highways for no good or sensible reason."

Ranger Team Downs Olden

Ranger's Independent basketball team took their second win this season, away from the Olden Independents — 84-64 — Friday night in the Olden Gym. At the half, the Ranger bunch was in front 61-50.

High-point man for Ranger was Roddy Carter, who hooped eight field goals and five free throws for a total of 21 points. High-point man for Olden was Tommy Edwards, with 10 field goals and one free throw for 21 points.

Scorekeeper was Mrs. Ronald Carroll of Ranger; time-keeper was Mrs. Dale Cozart, Ranger. Charles "Toad" Tibbels shot seven field goals and three free throws to earn 17 points for the Ranger team. Other scorers were: Randall Hoover, 15 points; Ronald Carroll, 12; Jerry Wharton, 10; B. H. King, 7; and Dale Cozart, 2.

Scoring for the Olden team were Jack Tyrone, 18 points; Dale Slaton, 15 points; Jackie Adams, 8; and Billy Upchurch, 2.

Billy Graham To Speak at Dallas

DALLAS — Evangelist Billy Graham will be the featured speaker at the first Texas Baptist World Evangelism Conference in Dallas next Sunday through Wednesday.

More than 10,000 Southern Baptists, including 7,000 Texans, are expected to attend the world-wide meeting in Dallas' new Memorial Auditorium. A good number of local people will probably be present.

A highlight of the conference will be the commissioning of a group of Southern Baptist Convention foreign missionaries. This will be the first time that missionaries have been "set apart" outside of Richmond, Va. in more than 100 years, said Dr. C. Wade Freeman, superintendent of evangelism for the Baptist General Convention of Texas.

The traditional commission challenge message will be given by Dr. Baker James Cautchen, executive secretary of the SBC Foreign Mission Board, Wednesday.

Graham will deliver the conference's opening address Sunday afternoon and speak again Monday evening.

DES DEMONA NEWS FROM

The Christmas holidays being in the past our thoughts are beginning to turn to plan for the new year.

Health is only fair at this writing. Several people have colds, sore throats and measles.

Mr. and Mrs. John Grisham and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Belyeu, all of Abilene, spent Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Belyeu.

Mr. and Mrs. Brown spent Christmas in Dallas with their children.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Townsend and sons of Baton Rouge, La., spent the week here with her mother, Mrs. Myrt Reed.

Coleman Weir, who had under gone eye surgery in a Veteran's Hospital in Dallas, is expected to be home by middle of January. Any one wanting to send him a card may send it to Coleman R. Weir, Ward 3-A, Veteran's Hospital, Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Henlee entertained Christmas Day. More than 20 guests were on hand to enjoy the feast.

Guy Owens is home on his way to Georgia for further training in the Air Corp.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Stewart and daughters of Odessa were here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Wilcoxson, during the holidays.

Among the guests in the Ida Wilbitts home for the holidays were Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Pauls.

Intramural

(Continued From Page One) Here is the box score: Intramural Team

Player	Pos.	fg.	ft.	pts.
Boydton	F	5	1	13
Dick Maxwell	F	5	1	11
James Pope	F	4	1	10
Dick Clark	C	3	0	6
Marvin Crawford	G	2	0	4
Bill Phillips	G	2	0	4
James Knickerbocker	F	1	0	2
Doug Roark	G	1	0	2
Rasmussen	C	1	0	2
Independents				
Carroll	F	6	1	13
Roddy Carter	F	4	2	11
Randall Hoover	C	5	1	11
B. H. King	G	1	2	4
Cozart	G	1	0	2
Hogan	F	1	0	2
Jerry Wharton	G	1	0	2

Sports Corner

(Continued from Page One) sponsor can be found?

Conec Jim Puryear is anticipating a big crowd of local fans to turn out for the first conference game of the Rangers, set with Henderson County Jc. College, Jan. 30.

Let's not disappoint him or the team. They NEED your support to pull a win out of the hat.

Another up-and-coming team is the Intramural bunch at Ranger College. They are made up of some players who are ineligible to play for the regular team, as I understand it.

As often as not — the Intramurals trounce the Rangers in scrimmages. Both teams appear to be pretty evenly matched.

Haven't heard much about the Junior high school team, lately, but they should be starting a district or area schedule soon.

Ranger, then, has a total of five basketball teams — made up of a swell bunch of sports. All they need for more wins is your support. Yes — you and you.

Mrs. Maggie Pool is in Dallas to visit her son and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. James Pool.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Quinn and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Quinn were home for the Christmas holidays.

Mrs. Elizabeth McDonnell of Denton was here Friday with her mother, Grannie Northcutt, and Eva.

Clayton Williams, 64 years old, passed away at his home here Monday morning. Funeral services were held at the First Baptist Church Tuesday afternoon. Burial was in the Desdemona cemetery.

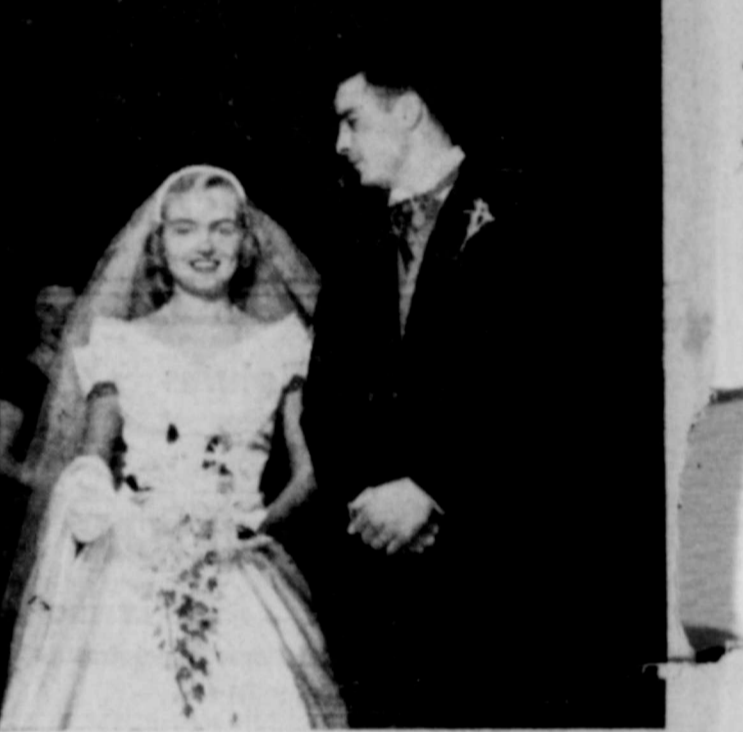
Survivors are his wife, Beulah, four children — M/Sgt. Charles Williams of Wichita Falls, Mrs. Ruth Koonce, of Desdemona, Leo Williams of Midland, and Mrs. Evelyn Yardley of Odessa and 12 grandchildren.

Hospital News

New patients in Ranger General Hospital are: Mrs. L. B. Moore and baby girl, Eastland; Mrs. Mollie Townzen, Ranger, medical; C. F. Chesnut, Ranger, medical.

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