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BENNINGTON BRIEFS

News of the Town and Village Told Briefly for Busy Readers.

Dance at Hawks hall tonight. Adv. Marcus P. Armstrong spent Wednesday in Troy.

John McGurn jr., of Gage street is confined to the house by illness. Miss Frances Egan of New York is visiting Mrs. Edward O'Hare of Division street.

Miss Alma Dagease of Dewey street is entertaining two young women from Montreal.

Miss Bessie Murphy of Albany is the week-end guest of Miss Eileen Culliton of Gage street.

"The Westerners" a great authors screen triumph and Charlie Chaplin Opera House today. Adv.

Mrs. Carl Green of Pleasant street, who has been employed as clerk at the Woolworth store, has resigned.

Miss Catherine Mathers has returned to Lenox, Mass., after a visit of several days at her home here.

Christian Science services will be held at 606 Main street Sunday morning at 11 o'clock and on Wednesday evening at 7.30.

Miss Edelweiss Nevils and Miss Jane Halle have gone to Boston and Nantasket Beach to spend their vacation of two weeks.

"The Westerners" the photoplay of the novel by Stewart Edward White and Charlie Chaplin in "The Champion" Opera House today. Adv.

Carl Chase, who, during the summer has been employed as clerk at Essex market, returned Thursday from a stay of a few days in camp at Cambridge and at Hodge's lake.

Robert Cronin, Harold Murray, Arthur Cronin, Augustus Lawrence and Robert McKoon, have returned from an outing of a few days at the Murray camp at The Pines.

Miss Elizabeth Goodall entertained a number of friends at a theatre party Friday evening. The young people attending "The Rainbow Girl," which was given at the Opera House.

Mrs. E. A. Booth and niece Miss Edith Barringer of Waterbury, Conn., accompanied by Mrs. Charles Carpenter and sons Kenneth and Carolyn motored to Lake George Thursday.

Miss Ruth F. Hall of Webster, Mass., is stopping indefinitely with her grand mother, Mrs. S. B. Hall, at Old Bennington. The condition of Mrs. Hall who has been quite ill, is comfortable.

"The She Ties" a thrilling drama of the Mexican border, a Milt & Jeff comedy and episode's of "Hidden Dangers" starring Joe Ryan and Jean Paige and Charlie Chaplin in "The Champion," Harto Theatre today. Adv.

Services in St. Peter's church tomorrow will be Holy Communion at 7:30; Morning Prayer and sermon by the Rev. Frederick J. Buttery, rector of St. Paul's church, Vergennes, Vermont at 10:30. There will be no afternoon service.

Prof. Richard S. Baylan has returned from a few days' stay in New York. He will preside on Sunday at the organ at the First Baptist church. Prof. Bahlan is organist at Pilgrim church, Cleveland, O., and has been spending the month of August in Bennington.

Mrs. John Flynn and grandson Charles Campbell, returned Thursday from a brief visit at the home of Mrs. Flynn's sister, Mrs. Patrick Shea in Eagle Bridge. Mrs. Flynn and grandson were accompanied to Bennington by Mr. and Mrs. Shea and Mrs. David Harrington. The trip was made by automobile.

Miss Edith Barringer of Waterbury, Conn., who has been spending five weeks with her aunt, Mrs. E. A. Booth, left today for Quechee, N. Y., where she will visit for two weeks at the home of her grandfather, F. A. Barringer before returning home. She was accompanied to Quechee by Mrs. Booth and Mrs. Charles Carpenter. The trip was made in Mrs. Booth's car.

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Home vs. House. Home cannot be given us. We may be given a house, a place to eat and sleep. This is not a home, says the Western Methodist. A home is a place of love and rest and peace. Love and rest and peace must be deserved, must be earned. Nobody can lend them to you as so many packages. They are units of reciprocity. If you have none to give there will be but little for you to receive.

(By Daniel L. Cady.)
A VERMONT SHERIFF

My boyhood saw no neater rig Than Sheriff Amsden's booted gig; The narrow dasher, one-man seat, And whip and socket, say 'twas neat; The great high wheels went 'round so fast Their shadders shied at being cast; You couldn't see what kind, by God! Or check or overdraw he had, And all us boys was plumb confused About what martingale he used.

He drove a bright-eyed Morgan nag No other horse in town could tag; Just hand him out a writ and John, His man, would slap the harness on, Then up he'd climb and off he'd go And get a mile, the first you'd know; He never asked what kind of writ it was, by Gum! or who it hit; Replevin, trespass, trover, case, And debt, he served with even grace.

It made no difference to him, Who 'twas he 'tached, Jerome or Jim; He didn't care a broken reed Who 'twas he sued, or who trusted. He left no papers on the place; But run his process up your face; He'd sell you out with equal zest, From grandpa's clock to grandma's chest; You couldn't make him hem or haw, And all he'd say was, "Law is law."

The constables in every town Looked up to him instead of down; There wasn't one as tall as he, Nor one as stiff as he could be; His word was stronger than a fort And went an awful ways in court; The lawyer that was smart, was loath To ever let him take the oath; He'd simply say "You're Sheriff, Sir, And served this writ on Widder Burr!"

When 'round his galliwick he flew, Some showed their heads and some withdrew; One went with wool around his chops, A-legged it for the mountain tops; One duck he 'tached was so bestirred He sold his pig and paid a third; A chap that worked at A. O. Hood's Laid out for Sydney Weston's woods; He seldom fooled, bunked or failed, And jays with jags was promptly jailed.

But what I meant to talk about, Quite mainly, when I started out, Was not so much the Sheriff's art As his official horse and cart; The hills and ax both took your eye, The boot was shiny, deep and dry; Beneath its box he kept the writs That give the county catnip fits; The whitewind wheels and one-man seat, A-zipping past you, say: 'twas neat.

EQUIPPED TO RULE OCEAN
Monster That Lived 100,000 Years Ago Must Have Been a Terror to Other Fishes.

In the National museum at Washington is exhibited the skeleton of a zeuglodon—a monster which in life was seventy feet long and which must have been ruler of the seas during a bygone epoch. There is good reason to believe that this phantasm creature dates back fewer than 100,000 years, says a bulletin.

With an enormously long tail and powerful swimming paddles, the zeuglodon must have been able to swim at the speed of an express train, and its great alligatorlike head was armed with huge carnivorous teeth. It was manifestly a ferocious and predatory brute and presumably fed on fishes and porpoises. The head was four feet long and in the front part of each jaw were eight teeth for seizing and tearing, which were supplemented by a series of saw edged cutting teeth at the back.

The zeuglodon wore mammoth, related to modern walrus. They must in their time have been very numerous, judging from the quantities of their bones dug up in Mississippi and Alabama, where in places there are so many as to interfere with plowing. Farm walls are built of them. Apparently the creatures, which are denizens of warm seas, died and were washed up into shallow waters that afterward became dry land. Drifting sands covered their bones, preserving the latter to some extent. Their teeth (found in the jaws like those of alligators) are found scattered about in the neighborhood of the bones.

Rough on the Old Lady.
San Diego Tribune—The bandit vent pointing the revolver at him, when Davis speared up his mother and knocked the robber, down—Boston Transcript.

Jud Tunkins.
Jud Tunkins says everybody admits that honesty is the best policy, only a lot of folks differ as to the precise definition of the word.

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Radio Telephoning.
The first experiment in long-distance radio telephoning was made in 1914, the attempt resulting after many efforts in successful transmission of speech from Washington to Paris and San Francisco.

Evidently She Knew Him.
Wife to husband who has been out for a walk at the seaside—Oh, George, I'm so glad you've come back. I heard that some silly man had toppled over the cliffs—and I was afraid it might be you.

Instead of Sheep.
Normally, says Dr. Geoffrey Keyes, a person has 15,000 millions of blood corpuscles circulating in his body. People suffering with insomnia might try counting them in bed.—London Punch.

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