

Synopsis. Steve and Nancy are leaving for the North pole to do Santa Claus's work while he takes a rest.

CHAPTER IV

Steve and Nancy were all bun-dled up tight in coats and hats

Nancy out.

Santa found it much easier get-ting out of the window than he did More towns and cities flew by

get him through. After getting out, Santa closed the window and adjusted his wide

A Bright Shiny Sleigh

They walked through the soft ice. white snow around the corner of the house and there on the front lawn was a sleek, silver sleigh. It were all in gold.

And those reindeer, all stand-ing straight and tall. Steve and sharply on the reins and the reinthey were to be Santa's reindeer. getting lower all the time. They all had gold harnesses and Chilly Wind Catches Up the front pair kept pawing the

They didn't have long to wait, because Santa leaped to the seat of the sleigh, pulling Steve and Nancy with him.

We'll be inside in just a mo-"Hold On Tight, Kids"

said. "These takeoffs are a litle "See those lights up ahead. That's rough without much snow on the where I live."

"You can look over the edges, children," Santa said, "but don't said. "We'd better get inside." And get too close to the edge. If you he led the children to the nearest were to fall off I'd have to circle cottage door. around and catch you before you (Tomorrow: Santa's house)

hit the ground and that's pretty tricky business."

Steve looked over the edge on his side of the sleigh and down below him he could see the Willamette river winding along, and there was Keizer and Keizer schol. They made a turn and Nancy

shouted, "I can see the fairgrounds

when they went over to climb out of the window with Santa Claus and make the long trip to the north pole.

First Steve climbed out of the belowd ting so high that they couldn't see the small towns, but they did see

More towns and cities flew by getting in, but even so, it took and then the forests, vast forests Steve and Nancy, each pulling one with pretty lakes and high mounof Santa's long pointed shoes, to tain peaks, all shining in the light of the moon.

All the time there seemed to be leather belt and pulled down his coat.

A Bright Shiny Sleigh heaps and long stretches of smooth

was bright and shiny, like some- north pole during the long winter one had used mother's silver pol- nights. My, I'll be glad to get home ish all over it. But even shinier tonight. This jumping around still were the trimmings which from store to store all day long certainly keeps me busy."

Just about then he pulled up Nancy could just tell how proud deer began to circle about, slowly,

And then the wind caught up ground as if they wanted to be with them, all out of breath.. It was certainly chilly. Steve and

ment," Santa said, as the sleigh "Hold on tight, kids," Santa settled onto a long snow runway.

And there were hundreds of lit-Before the children had time to the lights up ahead, all different colors. And as Steve and Nancy drew closer they could see that the They were going fast, so fast, in fact, that the cold wind could-n't keep up with them, so it felt different little cottage, and the nice and warm and calm riding lights of the windows painted pretty pictures on the snow.

"Pretty cold out here," Santa

Navy Ignores Rocket Fizzle. To Try Again

WHITE SAND, N. M., Dec. 13(P)-The navy, undismayed by failure in trying for a rocket altitude record Tuesday already is preparing for another test in the spring.

And a spokesman said the next many specific process. And a spokesman said the next

missile to be fired probably will be even larger than the Americanbuilt Viking which fizzled in to-day's shoot. The launching is scheduled for sometime in March. Automatic controls shut off fuel of the 51/2-ton Viking sent aloft sponsors a play annually.

from the White Sands proving ground at 12:05 a.m. today after 65 seconds of powered flight.

As a result it climbed only 68 or 69 miles. In five previous Viking shoots the top announced altitude was 106.4 miles attained by considered from above of the students with leading roles besides Braaten as Sheridan Whitesides are: Mrs. Stanley, Marilyn McFarland; Mr. Stanley, Bob Sogge; Margie Cutler, Rosemary Rowell.

Supporting these actors are:

miles in another 10 seconds. Its Rehfuss; Beverly Carlton, David speed was estimated at 2,750 mi- Rhoten; Wescott, Paul Ward; first les prior to the power cutoff, radio technician, Ray Fowler; Ground observers said the missile, blinking like a blue star, apparently shut off and turned on power at least three times. Rosen tentatively blamed power

plant trouble. **Ethel Dupont Roosevelt**

To Marry Attorney WILMINGTON, Del., Dec. 13-

School News

by Gilbert Bateson

SALEM HIGH SCHOOL Ray Braaten will play the title role in "The Man Who Came to Dinner," this year's Snikpoh play

mous author - lecturer who is stranded in the home of the wellto-do Ernest Stanley family when he breaks his hip on a transcontinental lecture tour.

All of the cast are members of Snikpoh dramatics club which

Other students with leading

ing shoots the top announced altitude was 106.4 miles attained by one fired from aboard a navy vessel in mid-Pacific last May 11. The record for a single stage rocket is 114 miles by a rebuilt German V-2 fired here Dec. 17, 1946. An American WAC corporal launched from a V-2 in flight soared 250 miles above the earth Feb. 24 1949.

Newsmen were told the Viking, at its calculated rate of acceleration, should have climbed to 135 miles in another 10 seconds. Its second radio technician, Larry Hewitt; Banjo, Don Davis; first deputy, Dick Meyer; second deputy, Don Hamlin; plainclothes man, Wally Carson.

> Supervision of the U.S. mint originally was a function of the secretary of state, but a separate agency was established for it in 1799.

(A)-A marriage license was issued here Tuesday to Ethel DuPont Franklin D. Roosevelt, jr., son of Roosevelt and Benjamin S. War-ren, jr., a Grosse Point, Mich., at-torney.

Mrs. Roosevelt, who divorced

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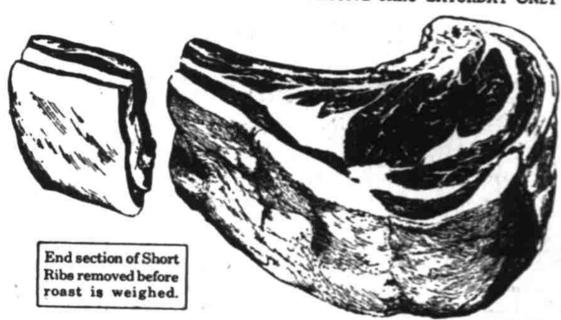
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