

The story so far: Santa, Steve and Nancy have decided to refinish old toys that are no longer "We haven't much time, you wanted so they can get enough know. We had better plan how toys for children at Christmas. we are going to get toys and de-However, so far they haven't cide which ones can go back with been able to figure out a way to us." collect the toys.

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girls, you know.

you won't find any toys on your out to meet you." own and I haven't got time to the word."

And with that he leaned close ear and whispered.

Unusual Sound

they heard it.

"Try it, and see if it works," Santa told Steve.

Steve called, not loudly, but another person across the room. Nothing happened. Steve was about to call again when he heard close. Across the street came a told the bear. little dog with an ear half gone.

you call me?"

any more?" Santa asked. "No," the dog said sadly. "No one even knows I'm around."

Nancy Tells Plan "Good, then you are just what we want," Nancy said, clapping her hands, "Hop into Santa's big bag and we will take you to the North Pole and make you new again."

"Just a moment, Nancy," Sanhave any friends-any other toys

"Why, sure I have," the dog barked, "lots of them. They just can't hear as well as I can, even though I have one ear half gone. They didn't know you were calling them."

The little toy dog bounded away and Santa told the children.

Santa Calls Toys "Steve, you and Rag Doll go around the neighborhood calling the toys. Then you tell the toys May and Cheryl Ray Potter, all Santa climbed out of the sleigh to come here. I will go calling of Kings Valley; his mother, Mrs. and put an arm around Steve and toys too. Nancy will stay here Emma Potter, Dallas; a sister, an arm around Nancy. He leaned and talk to the toys. She will Mrs. Elma Beyerle, Dallas, and close to them and said, "I guess have the job of deciding whether a brother, Clair Potter, Salem. I'll have to tell you how to call the owner will miss the toy. And, toys. You will have to promise to Nancy, if the owner is ever going at 2 p.m. Thursday in the Bollforget it when you are through to want that toy again, it has to man Funeral Chapel, with the using it because toys are not sup- stay where it belongs. Another Rev. Delbert Dowl officiating. posed to move about for boys and thing, we want all kinds of toys, Burial will be in the Dallas Cem-

not just dolls. You may have to etery. "I wasn't going to tell you un- send some of the dolls back after less I had to, but I can see that the toys that can't run or roll don't like the girl that owns me

call them all myself. So here is Steve and Rag Doll went the I'd just as soon try being owned other way. Almost every time by someone else." Steve called, a toy would answer. That certainly made Nancy anto Steve's ear and whispered. Many of them would see Steve gry. "Now just you listen here," Then he leaned close to Nancy's and then run back into hiding for she said. "Your little mistress they all knew they weren't sup- can love you just as much with posed to be called by a little boy, three other dolls as she would if Just what he said, I can't re- but then when the toy would you were the only one she had. peat here. But it was a strange peek back around the corner of She would probably miss you terand unusual sound and Steve and the house or out from under a ribly if you were gone. Now you Nancy's eyes opened wide when shrub it would see Rag Doll and go right on home and try to then come crawling out of its hid- make her love you more. Next,

> **Bear Questions Steve** "What are you doing calling

just as loud as you might call to us?" one bold little Teddy bear asked Steve.

"Just go over to Santa's sleigh on the next street and my sister a window slide open and then will answer you questions," Steve It began to look as if they were Soon a regular stream of toys

Only it wasn't a real dog at was going toward the sleigh and all. It was a toy, stuffed dog. lining up waiting to be question-"Santa," the dog yipped, "Did ed by Nancy. Little toy trains were rolling down the street and "Does anyone play with you a whole box-full of blocks was being carried along on the back thought. "Oh, well, we asked for of a toy elephant. A toy fire engine came racing along towing them." an old car, Several pair of old skates came rolling down the street, their rusty wheels squeak-

"We'll fix all that soon," said Santa to one of them.

Nancy was having the time of her life. As each toy came up to ta said. "I say, old fellow, do you her she would question it very closely.

"When is the last time your master played with you?" she would ask. And "Are you sure you were put where you wouldn't be found again?"

Naughty Mama Doll One saucy mama doll said, "I

Cancer Claims R. H. Potter of Kings Valley

Statesman News Service DALLAS - Raymond Herbert home was in the Kings Valley Porter, program superviser. community near Dallas, died Monday of cancer at the age of

Potter had lived in Kings Valley 11 years. Born March 3, 1911, in Hardington, Neb., he came to Oregon in 1938. He was married June 18, 1943, to the former Lil-

lie May Girrard, who survives. Other survivors include three sons, Doyle, Gerald and Harold Potter, and two daughters, Carol

Funeral services will be held

She has three other dolls she Santa went one way calling and likes as much as she likes me and

> please," she said, turning her head away from the naughty doll. As more and more toys kept hopping into the bag, Nancy began to get worried. Santa was nowhere in sight and the bag was getting more full all the time. going to have a flood of toys. What's more the toys were jabbering away so happily in the bag that they were making a

> fearful racket. "I'm afraid they will wake up the neighborhood," Nancy toys and we are certainly getting

Tomorrow: A Joyful Reunion

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Several classes of interest to businessmen and their employes are to be available in the Adult Education Program of the Salem Potter, a sawmill worker whose Public Schools, says George D.

> Classes will begin Jan. 3. Courses offered include bookkeeping and elementary accounting; preparation for employment, civil service and promotional examinations; shorthand; typing; vocabulary building and spelling for secretaries; English review; public speaking and rapid read-

A college credit class will be offered in business public relations. Additional information on the program: may be obtained from the Public School Administration Building, 1309 Ferry St.

Carroll Meeks On Bankers' Commission

G. Carroll Meeks, president of is also vice president of the Inthe Willamette Valley Bank, was dependent Bankers' Association named Monday to the American for the 12th Federal Reserve Dis-Bankers Association's "official trict and is a member of the legfamily.

Meeks was appointed to the 17man Country Bank Operations tion. president, Homer J. Livingston, who also is president of the First National Bank of Chicago.

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British Bomber Crash Narrowly Misses Children

WARE, England @ - Twentysix children narrowly escaped Monday night when a jet bomber exploded in the air, raining flaming debris on the lawn of the house in which they were sleep-

Windows of St. Margaret's chil-drens home were blown out. Part of the ceiling of one room col-lapsed — but 25 of the children slept through it all. All of the children were under five years old. Folice said one crew member of the Royal Air Force plane was killed, another was injured and a search still was on for the third.

islation and taxation committee of the Oregon Bankers' Associa-

ed in Astoria and Portland before

71, a resident of Dallas since Survivors include the widow, 1933, died Sunday in the Dallas Mrs. Buena Effenberger; a daughter, Mrs. Jeanne Heater, Drain; three brothers, William Effenberger, Dallas, and Otto and Alie Effenberger, both of Tillamook; three sisters, Mrs. Emma Steele, Vancouver, Wash.; Mrs. Clara Fross, Portland, and Mrs. Hulda Roshmer, Fresno, Calif., and one granddaughter.

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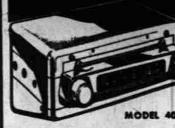
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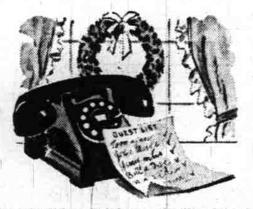
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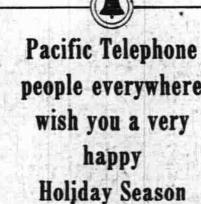
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