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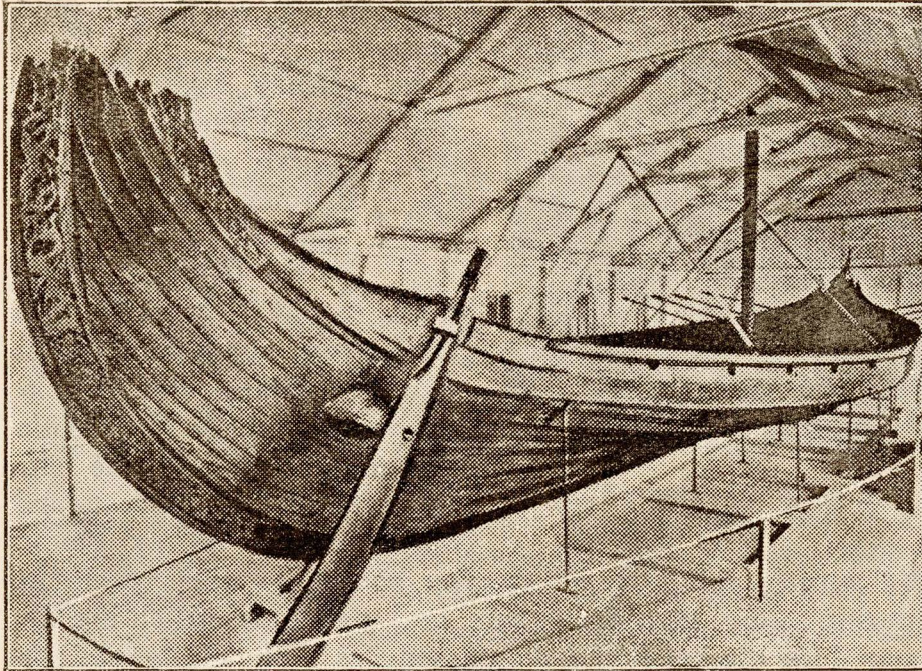
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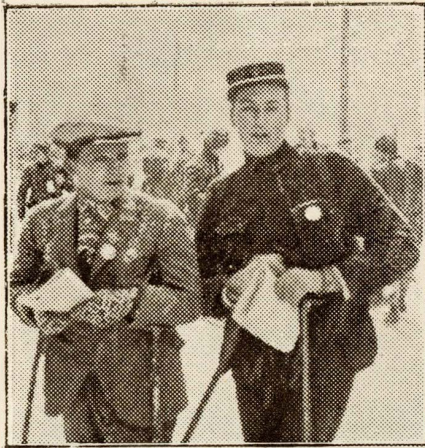
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A JOURNEY TO THE LAND OF THE MIDNIGHT SUN

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SYNOPSIS

NORWAY, the Land of the Midnight Sun, Nature's Wonderland of the North, has often been described in books and pictures. Countless enthusiastic travellers and tourists have told wonderful tales of the grand sights they have seen, and poets have sung its praise in the gems of the World's literature. But even the best told tales or the finest of pictures cannot make up for a real visit to this land, upon which the sun during summer shines day and night and where even the harsh winter is welcomed, with its dazzling white snow and its invigorating winter sports in bright sun-

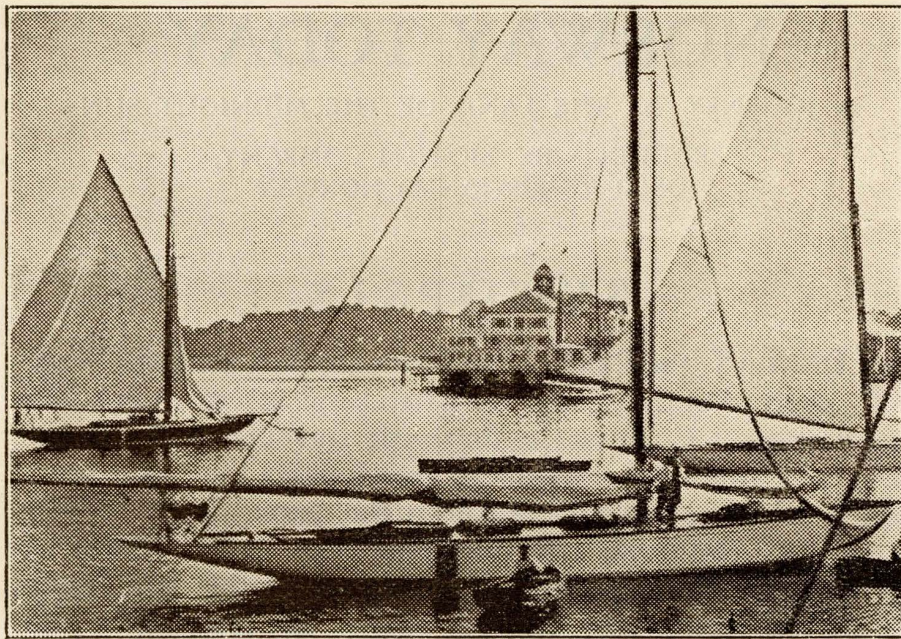


Cut no. 2. The Crown Prince
on Skis.

We witness the daily routine on board; we are present at all the many divertissements and pastimes which are arranged for the benefit of the passengers — the eight days sea voyage pass, alas, only too swift and on one beautiful morning we get the first glimpse of Norway.

shine among snow-clad pine trees.

Our journey begins on the Norwegian-America Line's large, modern and comfortable steamer «Stavangerfjord», embarking at New York. To the strains of «The Star-spangled Banner» the ship glides slowly out from its berth at the 30th Street Pier, Brooklyn, past the rustle and hustle of tugs and barges in the harbor, untill it sets its eastward course outside Sandy Hook.



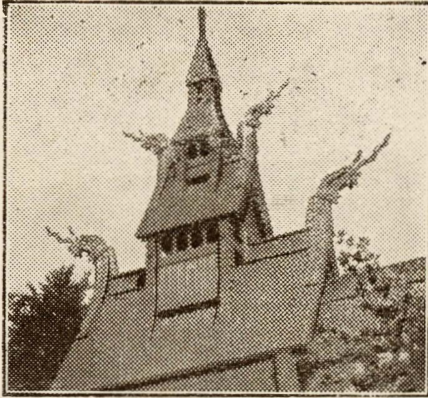
Cut no. 3. The Royal Yacht Club, Oslo.

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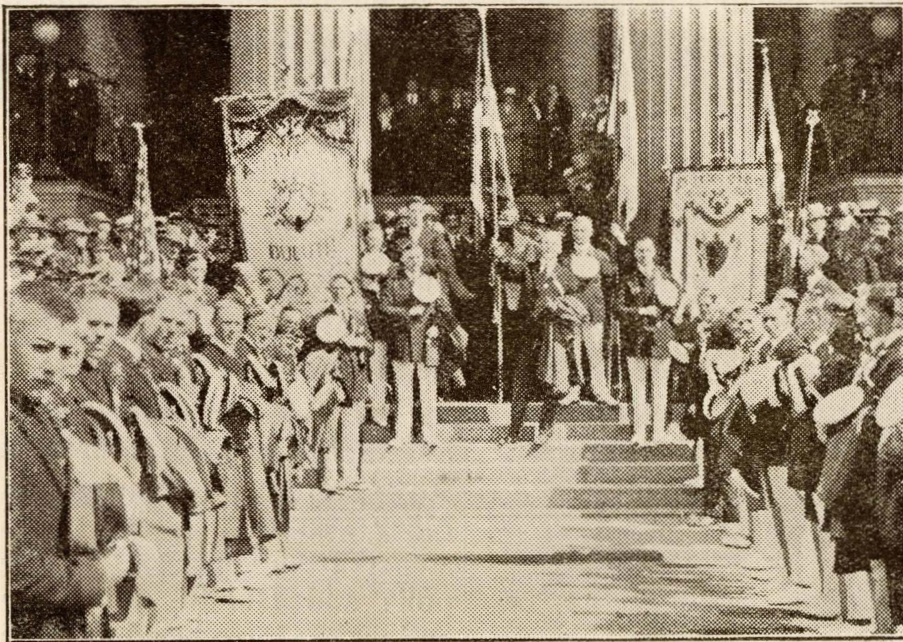
We proceed along a coast littered with small islands, where the water is as calm as in a garden pond; we glide past small fishermens huts and now and then a small seaside village, untill we arrive at Bergen, the «gateway» to the Land of the Midnight Sun.



Cut no. 4. Fantoft Stave-kirk

Having seen all sights of interest in Bergen, we take a trip on the famous, scenic Bergen Railway. The train takes us along mountain slopes and foaming rivers, and we gradually begin the ascension to the mountain plateau. Having reached the summit, we take a short cut to the other mountain plateaus, among which the famous Jotunheimen stands out foremost.

Next we visit the numerous and imposing water falls,



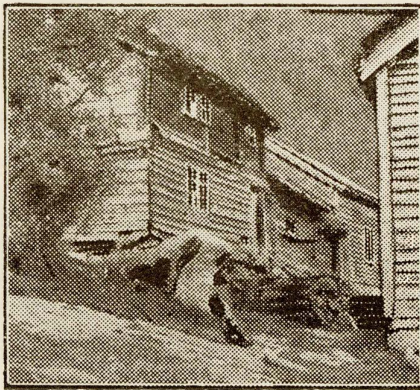
Cut no. 5. Norwegian-American singers outside the University at Oslo.



Cut no. 6.

Scene from Hardanger.

where millions of horse powers of electric energy are hidden and, as a rule, unused. Taking a few snapshots here and there along on our trip, we wend our way to the beautiful Christiania fjord, passing as we go wonderful islands with lighthouses, fortresses and picturesque houses until we arrive at the capital of Norway, now called *Oslo*, the name it bore previous to the year 1624.



Cut no. 7. Knute Nelsons birthplace.

We make a long stay at Oslo, visiting all places of interest and witnessing a number of festivals, processions and corsos. We are present when Douglas Fairbanks and Mary Pickford, students and singers from Chicago, Minneapolis and Duluth visit Oslo and we are introduced to some of Norway's famous sons, such as Fridtjof Nansen, Roald

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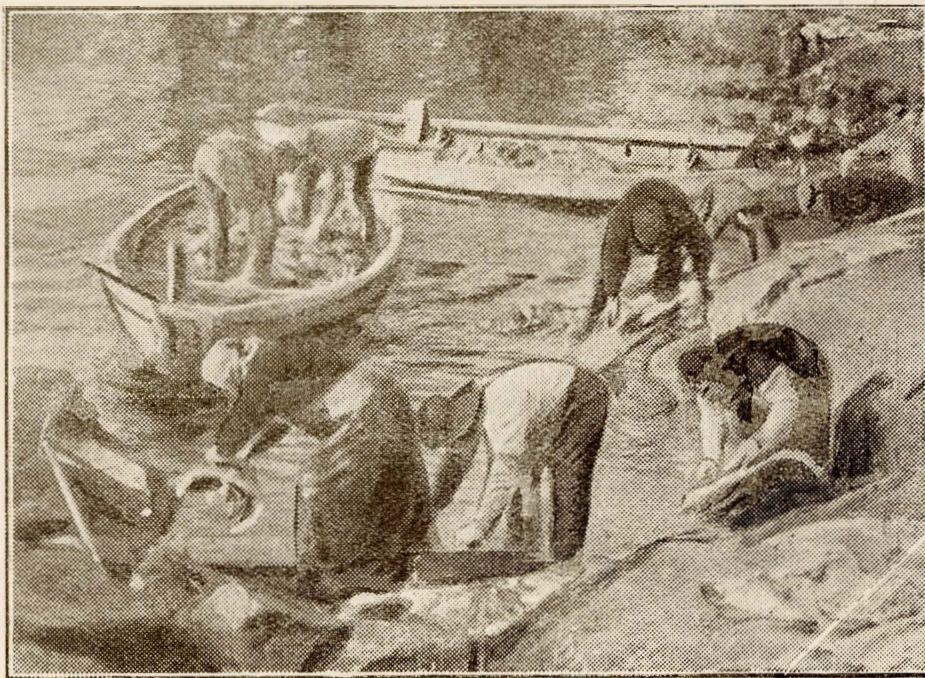
Amundsen, Johan Bojer, Knut Hamsun and others. We are even invited to the Royal family.

But there are more to be seen, so we hasten on. We make a short call at the farmers modest homes, and we visit some of the largest country estates, where modern methods of agriculture are employed. We study the different cattle races and the stocks of poultry, always interesting, even to the layman.

Now in turn we study all the industries, such as shipping, paper pulp, woodwork, nitrate of lime, electrical machinery, fishing and all adjoined industries. We visit all the large electric plants, where millions of horse powers are utilized in electric energy for all purposes. This is an imposing



Cut no. 8. H. M. King Haakon attending the skating races.



Cut no. 9.

Preparing Codfish.



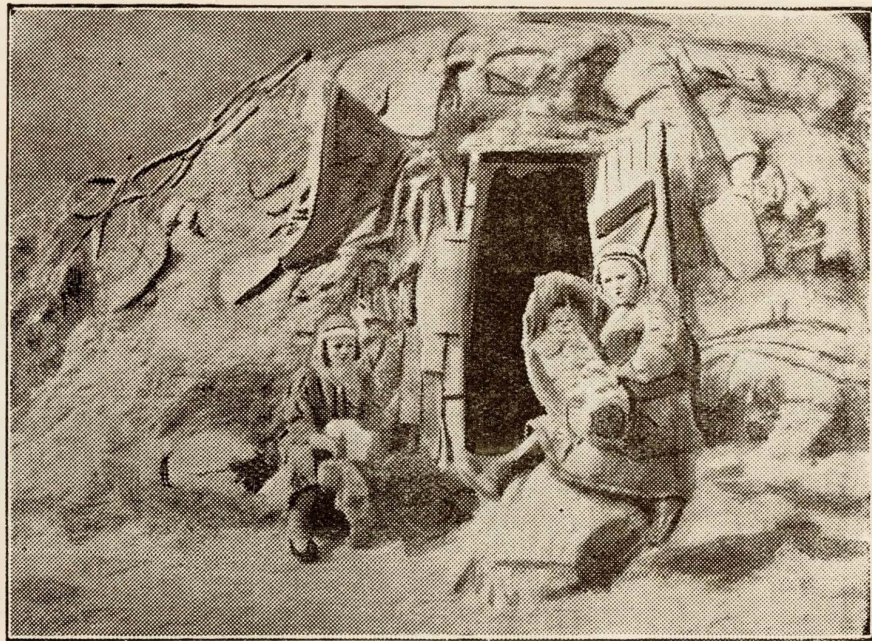
Cut no. 10. The ski-champion
Th. Haug.

taking a route which shows all the wonderful sights to great advantage. Some of these are the beautiful Hardanger, Stalheim, Nordfjord with the grand Kjendal Glacier, Geirangerfjord with the famous Seven Sisters water falls and the curious rock formation «The Pulpit», Bjørnstjerne Bjørsons

sight, even to the American.

Of immense interest is also to see the various national customs and ceremonies, the quaint national dances and games. Here are some remarkable pictures which will impress the mind of the looker-on.

Before taking a long and adventurous journey to Norway's latest acquisition Spitzbergen, we tour the country to many famous tourist centers,



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Laplanders near Tromsø.

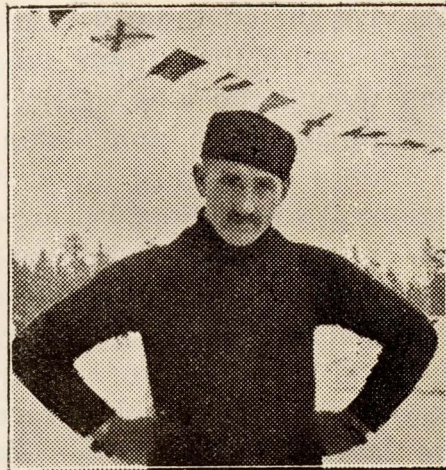
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home at Aulestad, Loms and Fantoft stave-kirks, Evanger -- the birthplace of Senator Knute Nelson. We visit Trondhjem and see the famous Cathedral, and Tromsø, where we meet those wonderful people, the lapplanders, with their herds of rein-deer and their quaint home life. We also stop on our way at the large whaling stations along the coast and witness the hunting and preparation of whale, and we take a few snapshots from the numerous bird rocks, where thousands of sea birds hatch and where many a poor fisherman gets a living by egg and feather collecting.

The summer at Spitzbergen only lasts two months. It is therefore of great interest to study this little country island.



Cut no. 11. The Worlds champion skater Oscar Mathiesen.



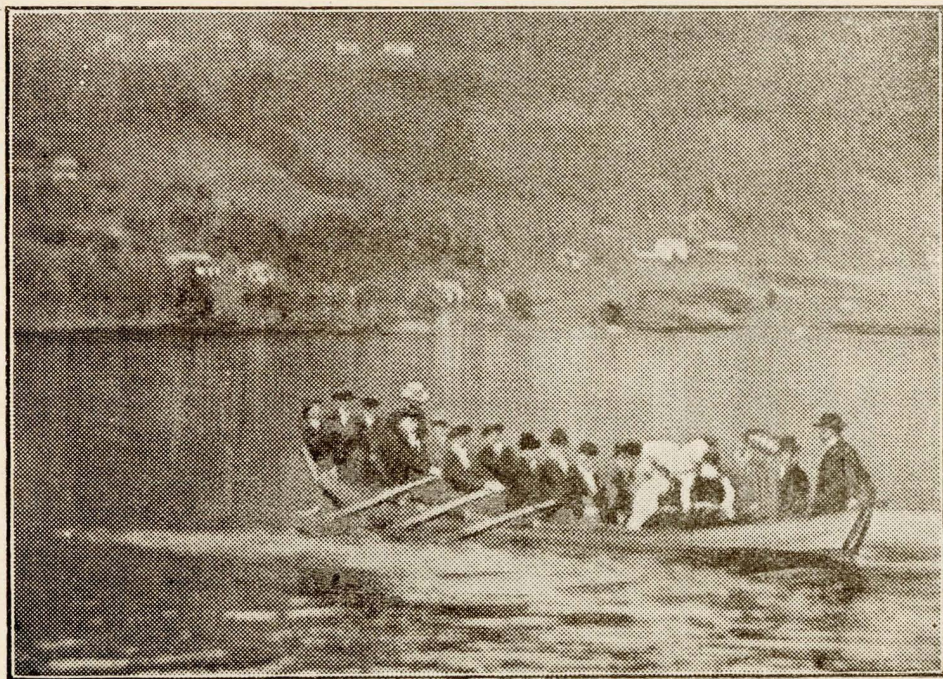
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Bridal procession.

We visit the coal mines — its chief industry — the wireless stations with their many dogs — boon companions to the man during the long arctic nights — the graves of those unfortunate arctic huntsmen and explorers, who were unable to endure the almost unbelievable hardships in the arctic regions at winter time. We are a party to a polar bear hunt and pity those poor beasts in their fight for life and freedom — —

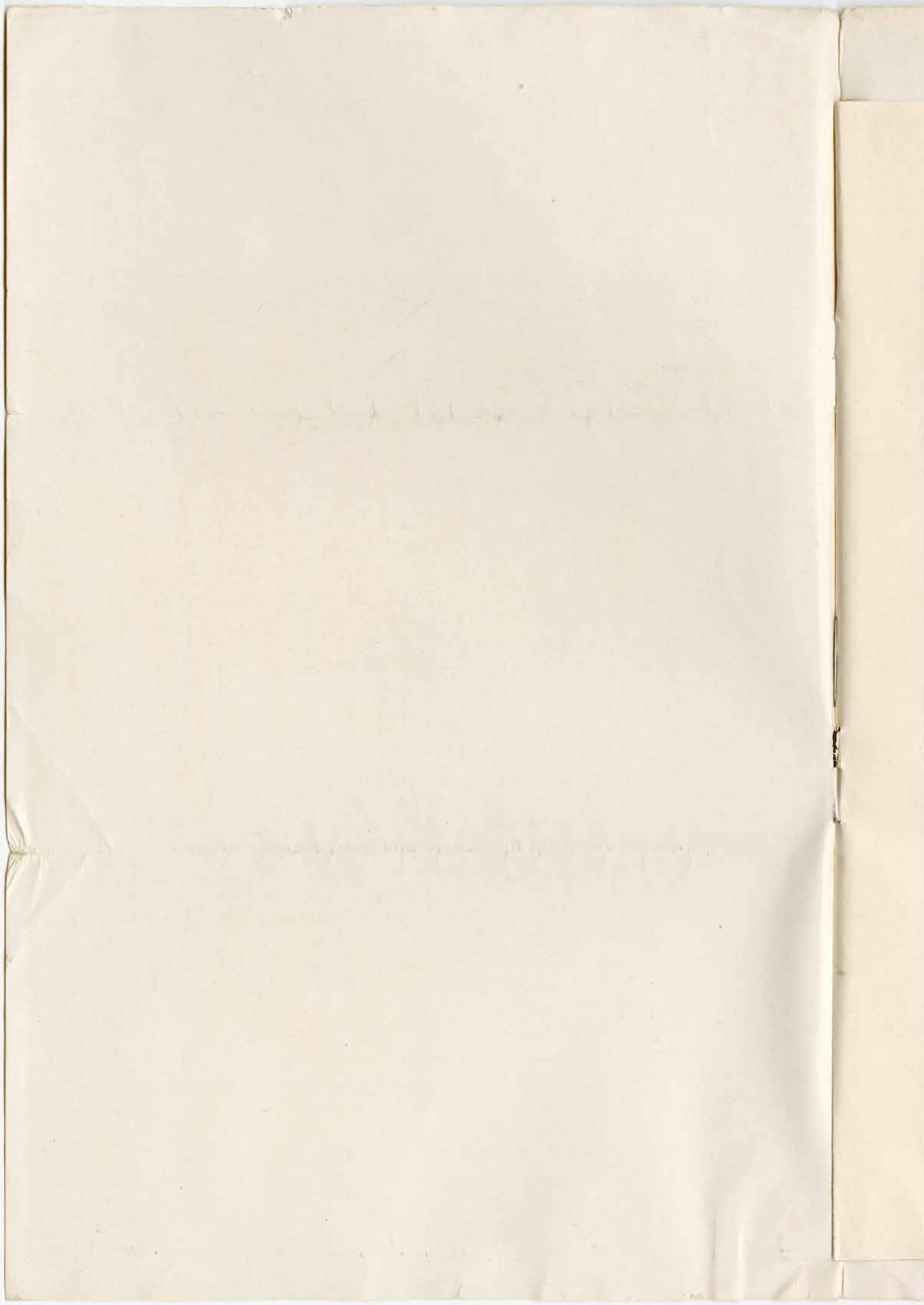
From the snow and ever-lasting ice during mid-summer, we again return to the real winter in Oslos surroundings — the ideal El Dorado for winter sports. We are present at big skating races, automobile races, horse-trotting, sledging and the famous Holmenkollen ski-races and we meet all the world-famous champions, such as Oscar Mathiesen, Roald Larsen, Thorleif Haug and others. In the company with the King and the Crown Prince, himself a keen sportsman of no little repute, we watch 600 norwegian ski-sportsmen leaping over the famous Holmenkollen ski-jump.

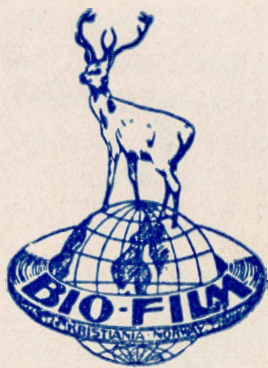
And if we are unable to visit the Land of the Midnight Sun in person, we have at least some idea of this Natures Wonderland of the North.



Cut no. 14.

Bridal tour at Hardanger.





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