

ROYAL WEDDING.In church.

The first guests arrive at 4 o'clock. They are merely to be present in church and not at the grand gala souper two hours later. They are distant friends of the royal family and of the bridegroom's family, and distinguished citizens of Oslo and Aker (home community of bride, where wedding takes place).

First wedding guests: prime minister and Mrs. Torp, minister of foreign affairs and Mrs. Lange. They place themselves on first bench to the left with stortingenspresident and Mrs. Halvig Pedersen. Behind them odelettingenspresident Hambro and Mrs. H. Apart from the prime minister and minister of foreign affairs members of the government were merely present as onlookers in church, not guests at the souper. They sit behind their colleagues.

On 1st bench to the right: ambassador and Mrs. Bay, USA (in white lace and black velvet - diamond tiara), ambassadör Wassard and Mrs. W., ambassador and Mrs. Ahlmann, Sweden, and Sir Michael and Lady Wright (G.B.) (Lady Wright in white organza with lovely pattern of flower bouquets woven in material - young and charming).

Behind them private guests, amongst them members of the Princess Ragnhild's girl club "Niern" (The Nine - er with 9 members) with their husbands.

After the ambassadors have taken their seats, mother of the groom Mrs. Lorentzen (in silver lamé with cape of silver-mink) arrives with her eldest son and seats herself on a gilt-leather chair to the right of the altar. Some minutes later the bridegroom comes with his father.

They take place in front of Mrs. Lorentzen, the best man Gunnar Sønstebye behind them. Princess Ragnhild's sponsor Bitten Gjelver-Krog sat in a gilt leather chair vis-a-vis. (in pale rose rep ).

Last guests to arrive before royal procession were bishop and Mrs. Sæmo

The royal guests.

Music played as they enter church: "Purpose" by Nordræk.

Order of procession:

daughter of prince Carl, countess Madelaine Bernadotte, with the count and countess Fleming (the first mentioned in greyish blue, the latter in blue and rose, the count in blue coat with pale blue ribbon of the Elefant-order across.)

Behind them prince and princess Georg, he in a red coat with Elefantorder's blue ribbon, she in bright blue with mink stola. The two princes were pages at the wedding of the Norwegian crownprince-couples wedding 24 years ago.

prince and princess Vico

prince Carl and princess Margrethe of Bourbon-Parma aunt and uncle of the bride: princess Margaretha and prince Axel (She dressed in white with long ermine jacket and diamond tiara.)

prince Bertil, the Swedish king's representative, comes with princess Margaret Rose. She is dressed in snow white heavy silk, with borders of handembroidered lace, mink stola. Diamonds in hair and necklace.

Norveg. crownprincess Martha, mother of bride, with prince Harald. She wears diamond tiara and necklace,

dress of French gold lamé, ivory white with gold threads, a stola glittering with gold, dress lined with same material as stola.

king and queen of Denmark, she in white duchesse with silver embroideries and the blue ribbon of the Elefantorden across breast, cape in same material as dress, beautiful jewelry.

next couple: King Haakon of Norway and princess Ingeborg, she in silver-grey with touch of violet and dark mink coat.

The bride arrives.

To the tunes of Henry Purcell's "Trumpet Tune and Air" the bride comes in at the arm of crownsrince Olav of Norway, her father.

She is in white crepe duchesse, heavy shining silk with ivory touch. She wears no tiara, a plain veil, worn by her great grandmother, attached to a cap of lace. the dress is strapless with a long jacket, the skirt is covered with embroideries in pearls and diamonds. Her only jewelry is one row of pearls. The bouquet consisted of five large orchids and lilies of the valley.

Bridesmaids 2 in pink, 2 in greyish blue:

princess Astrid (sister of bride), Elizabeth Løvenskiold, Edda Bang and Berit Lunde.

Marriage ceremony.

Solo singer Anse Nordno Løvberg.

Procession out of church:

bride and bridegroom

bridesmaids

(procession leaving church)

Norveg. crownprince couple

parents of groom

king Haakon, princess Inceborg

king and queen of Denmark

prince Bertil of Sweden, princess Margaret Rose of

G.B.

prince Carl Bernadotte of Sw. and princess

Margarethe of Bourbon-Parme

prince and princess Viggo

" " " Georg

count and countess Fleming

prince Harald with countess Madeleine Bernadotte

sponsors (best man and lady)

people accompanying foreign royal guests

chief of Norveg. court Broch and Mrs. B.

Norveg. in waiting on foreign guests

ambassadors and their wives

members of Norveg. storting and government

etc.etc.

90 press photographers from USA, England, France, Italy, Japan, Holland and Scandinavia were present.

Approx. 25.000 onlookers had gathered from Oslo and from distant parts of the country extra busses etc. were set up.