

SHAH'S WEDDING.

Upon the marble palace in Teheran focused the eyes of the world. There the Shah of Persia was married for the third time. It was a setting in the tradition of Eastern splendour.

With great dignity His Imperial Majesty ascended the stairway to the Hall of Mirrors where the marriage ceremony took place.

Then came the Shah's lovely bride, Farah Diba. Twenty one years old she was a regal figure, superbly gowned by Dior. The white satin dress was richly decorated (almost weighed down) by pearls and rhinestones.

Three times she was asked if she consented to be Queen. Persian custom ordained that she should not reply till the third time, but nobody was surprised when she said yes.

After the brief religious ceremony the Shah and his new bride posed for the films for which millions were waiting throughout the world. Neither of the Shah's previous marriages was blessed with a male heir, for which Persia fervently hopes.

Later that day the Shah and Queen entertained two hundred members of the Court. The brilliant ending of a wonderful day.