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THE TECHNIQUE OF SKI-ING.

"Power Ski-ing Illustrated."

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"When you drive an automobile and you come to a corner, you turn the wheel. It is as simple as that. The rest is judgment; you judge how far and how fast to turn. Then there is experience. You learn what to expect. . . . When you are an Expert, ski-ing is as simple as that."

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The book, illustrated by the author himself, has the merit of providing mainly visual demonstration, the reading matter is reduced to a minimum. Every aspect of the art of ski-ing is made clear by means of

several hundreds of beautifully drawn pen-and-ink sketches. These sketches and the appropriate explanations which accompany them convey in no uncertain fashion the principles that underlie the sport, the principles, as the author describes them, of the dynamic technique. Step by step, from walking, climbing and turning, he takes the learner through every phase of this fascinating motion until he reaches the point where "powering" and controlling your flight and the "stunts" can be attempted.

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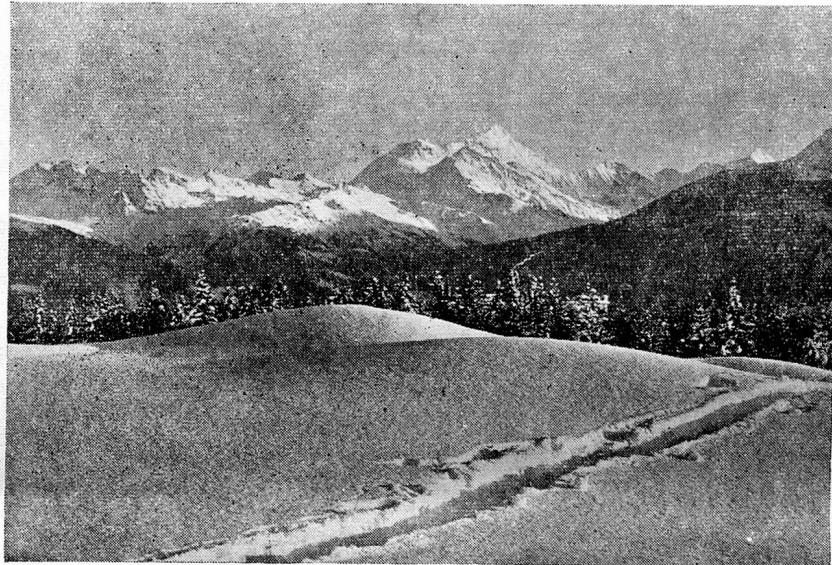
To the novice and to the expert alike this should be a most valuable handbook. It brings out the beauty and the exhilaration of ski-ing and illustrates the vibrant, wild rythm that is its essence and its charm.

J.J.F.S.

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