Wally's Hairdresser Exercises His Genius

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SOME of the most whimsical, chic, and distinctive coiffures to be seen in Paris today are creations of Antonio, now the most revered hairdresser in the world because he "does" the hair of the duchess of Windsor.

- His foremost client, or course, affects the simplest of hairdresses. But for his others Antonio exercises his genius for amusing originality. The coiffures sketched on this page are all his designs. He makes dramatic use of ornamentation, but the flowers, the ribbons, and the gay little caps are always secondary to the coiffure. He arranges hair in any fashion he thinks best for the individual, but he has a pronounced affection for the smooth, glossy roll—and he can do tricks with it, as the drawings show.

- Antonio is only 28 years old, handsome as Valentine and in much the same fashion. He is Italian, dark-eyed and dark-haired, with a smile and charm of manner that should be sensationally successful when he makes his contemplated tour of America this fall.

- For two years, working out of Cannes, he dressed the hair of the then Mrs. Simpson. She appears to have chosen him above all others because he insisted she limit the waves in her hair to one on each side instead of two, thereby reducing the coiffure to its simplest line—the best for the vivacious, clear-cut face of the woman who will go down in history as having given Helen of Troy competition for her sister's laurels.

- What is the duchess like? Ask Antonio and you'll be overwhelmed with a flood of excited praise, in which you'll just catch such words as "vivacious," "intelligent," and "charming," with a million and one adjectives thrown in. It may be true that a man is no hero to his valet, but the duchess is the most elegant, the most magnetic, and the most charming woman in the world to her hairdresser!

- Antonio would give his life if the duchess asked him to. Not only because her choice of him as her hairdresser was as the touch of the good fairy's wand, but because he really admires her enormously. She is, according to him, democratic, kind, AND elegant!

- In October Antonio is coming to this country to show two or three of the coiffure variations he has designed for the duchess, as well as many other manifestations of the high French mode, ranging from permanent waves to perfumes.

Antonio, who gained world fame as hairdresser to the duchess of Windsor.

Exclusive drawings of original coiffures by Antonio of Paris that display his unusual arrangement of the smooth coil and the clever use of ribbon and flowers as ornamentation.