

**PRESIDENT AND BRIDE
WILL HAVE CHRISTMAS
TREE AT HOT SPRINGS**

Names of Persons to Help Enjoy It Not Made Known. Couple Stay in Seclusion

FALSE ALARM OF GOLF

HOT SPRINGS, Va., Dec. 21.—The merry game of "hide-and-seek, or have you seen President Wilson and his bride" goes merrily on here. The couple have remained secluded in their closely guarded apartments or hidden away in a high-power limousine, which roves over the roads at a 50-mile-an-hour clip, ever since they reached here on Sunday. And the crowd of 100 winter guests at the hotel and the residents of the vicinity who come from as far as 25 miles away hoping to catch a glimpse of the newly wedded pair have had to content themselves with a hasty look at long range as they enter the auto.

It has been reported that the President and Mrs. Wilson would play golf before breakfast today. In consequence, more "call me early" requests were left at the hotel desk than ever before in its history. And golf clubs were at a premium, every one at the hotel seemingly being anxious to get a set. But there was nothing doing. Neither the President nor his bride put in an appearance, although there are reasons to believe that they had a quiet smile over the occurrence inasmuch as the golf links are directly in front of the sitting room windows of their suite. It is not expected that the President will resume his golf until arrangements can be made for him to obtain absolute privacy on the links.

A working schedule was arranged by the Executive today. Each day immediately after breakfast he will take up with Charles Swen the important mail that arrives in the special pouch sent by messenger from the White House. Then, if it is necessary, he will talk with Secretary of State Lansing at Washington. The afternoons are to be devoted to automobile driving and walks through the mountains. Later in the week some of the relatives of the couple will come down from Washington and the evenings will be devoted to social chat and music. The President will have a Christmas tree, but just who are to be present to enjoy it besides himself and Mrs. Wilson is not yet known.

**EDISON BATTERY "AD" MAN
ENDS HIS LIFE WITH POISON**

W. C. Andrews Was One of Best-Known Workers in His Line

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—W. C. Andrews, general advertising manager of the Edison Storage Battery Company and one of the best-known men in his line, committed suicide today in the Hotel Chelsea, West 23d street, by swallowing poison. He lived with his wife and two daughters at 125 Burnett street, East Orange, N. J., but had his office with the Edison company in New York.

Loses Life in Saving Her Children
REYNOLDSVILLE, Pa., Dec. 21.—Lost in the dense smoke which filled her home, Mrs. Anna Adelson, 45 years old, was suffocated early this morning, after she had rescued her four children from a fire which destroyed the Adelson residence and store here. Hugh Hagererty, Erie, Central League baseball pitcher, assisted the woman in rescuing the children.



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SETS THE PACE THAT
MOCKS MISFORTUNE**

City's Most Famous Street Vendor Rises Superior to Infirmity and Gives Example to Those of Weaker Fibre

UNIQUE AND UNDAUNTED

Christmas business is so brisk at Blind Al's apple and newspaper stand at Independence Hall that he is late going home every night now and so has to make up time going west on Chestnut street.

The most famous street vendor in Philadelphia spreads amusement and terror about his patch on Chestnut street, and the girls have to skip out of the way quick or get his rat-tat-tatting stick right on their little toes.

To follow Blind Al out Chestnut street at 6:30 in the evening is an exciting ride in the cab of the Twentieth Century Limited. He chooses the exact center of the sidewalk. Because why? Because then he does not step on the heels of the westbound shoppers and does not bang head-on into the eastbound shoppers. It is as if he had a pathway 3 feet wide reserved for him right up the middle of the expensive side of an expensive street. Last night one of these foreigners,

looking wildly about to get his bearings and not looking where he is going, was struck amidships and knocked into the middle of next week.

"Well, well! What 'o' got eyes for?" came the sharp reproval from Al, who always has that line on the tip of his tongue for just such emergencies.

The man got a good crack on the shins from the heavy stick (accidentally), and the wind was taken out of him, but Al didn't feel a thing but grim amusement, for he goes armed in a leather chauffeur's coat and strong Alpine boots. This man is dressed for business. If anybody thinks he has a right to pity Al he has another thing coming to him. He'd be a tougher proposition in a fight than many men on Chestnut street who don't make half the money Al does, yes, and for all their eyes they don't know what's going on as much as he does.

INDEPENDENCE HIS FOLLY.

Austere, virile, self-reliant, he yet goes his way to a constant chorus of affectionate "Hello, Al's"; he answers briskly, almost curtly. Inefficiency maddens him. He gets to a street corner and if nobody "thinks quick enough to say "Go ahead, Al" or "Wait a second, Al, there's a car coming," he snaps out sharply, "Well, well, what's the matter here?" so the policeman comes romping to tell him the condition of traffic and then, usually unaided, he hustles across the street, feeling for the curve of the curb with his stick so as to find the exact center of the new block.

He hears voices in the path and clears it with his sharp "Hey! Hey!" His independence makes one forget he is blind.

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and wonder why all this importance should be attached to one person's getting home safely: until one remembers the darkness he is in, and realizes that it is not so much Al that is being considered as the great mystery of darkness itself, man's inheritance from the black and terrible ancient forests, that one is respecting, propitiating, worshipping, through Al.

IN TOUCH WITH MYSTERIES.

He is in touch with greater and more awful powers and deeper and intenser mysteries than the garish streets have for eyes. He gives a new value to the ability to walk vigorously because he has to concentrate on it so. He gives a new value to the fun of a walking stick: to cautious traveling along the crowded streets; to the pleasure of verifying the nature of things by their "feel" in the fingers; to the fun of providing a nestleg against future mishap. Seeing nothing, he has to see more than anyone else.

His stern taking-for-granted the helplessness of policemen and pedestrians at corners is really the best compliment he could pay his kind; it is not so much Al that walks there in the dark as it is

man. Man is the poor creature in the dark, but not determined Al. The colored lights in the aggressive shops are cheapened, the faces of the girls not so interesting as we expected at the sight of this life enriched by an impoverishment. Blind Al is a disinfectant for the loosed, lipped, crazy sentimentalism that is a Christmas season sin. If any weep for Al, let him make sure that he is doing it for the selfish pleasure of weak, sweet tears. If pity is a part of what Christmas means, courage is a more important part of what Christmas means. And this veritable locomotive of a blind man, with his defiant dependence, his aggressive independence, is the very personification of courage. The courage of refusing to take life too softly; the courage of not wanting to be treated too well.

Must Not Libel Mrs. Aquith
LONDON, Dec. 21.—The court granted an injunction today restraining the Globe from further publication of libels on Mrs. Aquith, wife of the Premier.

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