

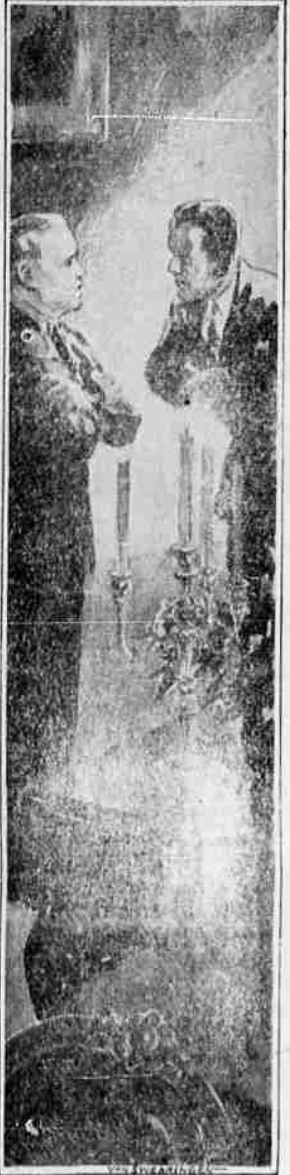
Idid not kill Osborne

By VICTOR BRIDGES

CHAPTER SIX
STORMY INTERVIEW

"WHAT do you mean?" I asked. "Are you suggesting that people still think I'm guilty?" "No, no." He raised his hand. "I don't go as far as that. I am merely pointing out to you, in your own interest, Nicholas, that if you attempt to resume your former life you must be prepared to encounter a good deal of unpleasantness."

suggestion I... ready to assist you." IN A sudden illuminating flash I perceived clearly enough what Seymour was driving at. All he really wanted was a definite assurance that I would disappear. Provided I was safely out of the way the scandal and gossip aroused by my trial would soon begin to die down, and in a little while the unfortunate fact that I was first cousin to a rising and ambitious politician would have faded conveniently from the public memory. For a moment I was almost too amused to be angry.



"I am speaking in absolute seriousness. I had an interview yesterday with Lord Redland, who, as you know, is chairman of the Royal United Arts. He was very upset about it all, and as considerable as he could possibly be, but he assured me that, in view of the feeling in the club, it was absolutely essential that you should send in your resignation. Otherwise the committee will expel you."

"I put down my glass. 'Whom are you referring to?' I inquired. 'The Prime Minister and the Archbishop of Canterbury.'" "I am speaking in absolute seriousness. I had an interview yesterday with Lord Redland, who, as you know, is chairman of the Royal United Arts. He was very upset about it all, and as considerable as he could possibly be, but he assured me that, in view of the feeling in the club, it was absolutely essential that you should send in your resignation. Otherwise the committee will expel you."

"I am afraid that it's hardly an occasion for joking." He got up from his chair and walked over to the hearth-rug. "For your own sake I implore you to listen to reason. No one in your position can afford to set himself up against public opinion. I warn you that if you attempt to do so the results will be disastrous. All your respectable friends 'ill cut you, you will get no work, and you will be unable to earn a living. In six months time, when it is too late, you will be cursing yourself for not having accepted my advice."

"Well, let's hear your advice," said Nicholas. "I thought back a sudden intense longing to kick him round the room. 'You're quite finished!' I inquired pleasantly. 'You're sure there's nothing else you want to say?'" He shook his head. "I think that covers everything."

RAIL MONEY NEED TO AID RECOVERY

CHICAGO, Dec. 3.—(AP)—Holding that normal expenditures by the railroads would go far to break the back of the depression, Joseph B. Eastman, federal railroad coordinator, said in "Railway Age" today that one of the main objectives in the next congress must be the provision of funds for the carriers.

ANGLO PACT HELD WORLD PEACE KEY

LONDON, Dec. 3.—(AP)—American and British working together could safeguard the peace of the world, United States Ambassador Robert W. Hingham says in an interview to be published tomorrow in the Observer.

MYSTERY SHROUDS DEATH OF OUSTED INSURANCE CHIEF

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Dec. 3.—(AP)—H. B. Hill, deposed chairman of the Abraham Lincoln Life Insurance company of this city, was found shot to death Saturday night in an automobile abandoned on a highway about three miles from here. Sheriff's deputies, who hurried to the location, said first investigation failed to indicate clearly whether he had been slain or had ended his own life.

SECT. 7-A UPHELD IN COURT RULING

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—(AP)—Upholding section 7-A of the NIRA as "the rubicon of industrial relations," Supreme Court Justice William Harmon Black ruled today in a lengthy dispute between a union and a doll manufacturer that the controversial clause does not bar the "closed shop."

FRENCH CHAMBER VOTES WAR FUND

PARIS, Dec. 3.—(AP)—Premier Pierre Etienne Flandin got an overwhelming vote of confidence in the chamber of deputies Saturday as he pushed the 1935 budget, with its 12,000,000,000 francs (approximately \$790,000,000) for the French war chest, toward early passage through parliament.

MORNING

TAILORED POP

TAILSPIN TOMMY—Nazil—Land of Romance and Intrigue

BEN WEBSTER'S CAREER—The Deserted Village

THE NEBBS—The Champion

BRINGING UP FATHER

WOMAN AIR CHAMP IS KILLED IN CRASH

VERMILION, Pa., Dec. 1.—(AP)—Miss Helen Boucher, 28, who held one woman's airplane altitude record and claimed the woman's speed record, was killed Friday in a crash. She was making a test flight over the area at the time of the accident.