

# **HANDWRITING EXPERT HEARD IN BOMB CASE**

## ***Osborne, However, Fails to Link Rogers to Unsigned Note***

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In a move that surprised both prosecution and defense, Judge Thomas H. Brown called Albert D. Osborne, handwriting and typewriting expert, to testify here today at the Special Sessions trial of George W. Rogers, radio operator aboard the ill-fated liner Morro Castle and former Bayonne patrolman, who is accused of attempting to kill his superior officer, Lieutenant Vincent J. Doyle, with a homemade bomb.

Mr. Osborne, who testified for the State at the trial of Bruno Richard Hauptman in the Lindbergh case, disclosed he had been asked by Judge Brown to compare specimens of typewriting which the State hoped would show that Rogers sent the anonymous note attached to the bomb. The note gave directions on the use of the fish tank heater which contained the bomb.

Yesterday Rogers was ordered by the judge to write two copies of the note on the typewriter believed to have been used in writing the original note. A letter which Rogers once wrote to an electrical firm was also used as a specimen. Comparing the four specimens, Mr. Osborne testified he believed they had all been written on the same machine, but he said he could not identify the writer.

Before Mr. Osborne took the stand, the defense rested its case. The State rested yesterday. Summations will probably be given tomorrow. The trial is being held without a jury at the request of Alexander Simpson, defense counsel.