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New British Envoy Was Lucid
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WHEN all the top secrets of the war are released, this probably will be one of them:
The plane in which Leslie Howard was lost was one which the Nazis thought was Winston Churchill's.

The flight of the doomed plane could not be canceled. For if the British had made any changes or delays the Nazis might have suspected that the Allies had broken their code or had knowledge which could only have come from one source.

The fate of this plane and its passengers had to be measured against the cost of surrendering an advantage in military intelligence.

This is the story as it was told at the White House in December of '43.