Wonderful to have Paul Temple and Steve back with us. (BBC) Clifford Hearn recaptures Paul Temple and his beautiful wife, known as Steve, Sir Graham and Charlie. The story concerns a bank manager Phillip Seymour who apparently turns bank robber and steals from his own bank. As the story starts Seymour is about to be released from Prison on the south coast of England and Steve is nearby at women's conference in Brighton. Sensing danger, Paul and Sir Graham rush down to Brighton and find a dead body. Clifford Hearn's writing captures all the wit and excitement of the original series and we leave every chapter on the edge of our seats. There are red herrings and dead ends, including the mystery of the hat marked with those familiar initials, before Paul and Steve solve the mystery of the Seymour Affair. Just sit back and let it all happen as you escape into the world of Paul Temple and his wonderful wife Steve. It's exciting, full of danger and suspense, with lots of sheer fun. Fast cars, shootings, jewels and gold bars amidst the Paris fashions and silk underwear bring us fully up to date with the world of Paul and Steve as Sir Graham attends and Charlie insists on calling Paul, Mr T. Absolutely beautifully written and a joy for all Paul and Steve investigate Philip Seymour, a bank manager just released from a two-year prison sentence related to missing gold bars. At the same time, a dead body shows up on a train. The dead man isn't Seymour, as was initially thought, so where is he? And where is the gold? The Temples and their friend Chief Inspector Sir Graham Forbes investigate the mystery, sifting through clues that include a French bank, a Mayfair museum and a trilby hat. The original radio serials were not fiendishly plotted or heavy on action, relying more on genteel wit. .... Hearn ...... captures the original 1930s atmosphere, from French lingerie to small hotels in British seaside towns All of the characters you would expect if you are a Paul Temple fan. Amazon UK If you enjoy paul temple you will appreciate this book. light reading and entertaining, has a slightly different style to it. Amazon UK I will always remember a long train journey when I read this book and walked down the platform with it still in my hand as the truth about the hat was finally revealed. Superb, LibraryThing. Through the encouragement of my Brit husband, I have had numerous occasions to listen to rebroadcasts of the original radio plays of Francis Durbridge. This episode by Mr. Hearn has been recreated from notes found the BBCs files in London. It is super to have our sleuths, the Temples, back in action. Mr. Hearn has not attempted to do a radio script but a narrative treatment. At one point, Steve is given permission and funds to procure new clothes in France to work the case. Do not miss her description of the results of the donning of some fashionable but uncomfortable French underwear. Snort! I am so in love with the BBC replays of the originals that I could actually hear the voices of the actors of long ago reading the dialogue in this episode. Kudos to Mr. Hearn and my thanks to him and LibraryThing for a complimentary copy.

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