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## ALLEGED SON OF TAYLOR TO CLAIM ESTATE

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inquest he burst into hysterical laughter. He has come through each of the other rigorous interrogations smiling. But he has made remarks, not only in the course of interrogations, but out of doors, leading investigators to believe eventually he will supply the "starting point" for the unraveling of the tangled skeins of the tragedy.

One of these remarks made outside the official investigation that has come to the ears of officers is the reported declaration Peavy had feared for his employer's safety and would not have been surprised to have Taylor murdered at the time the Taylor bungalow was burglarized recently. Harold Freeman, a milkman, gave this information to the police.

## NEGO WILL BE QUESTIONED FURTHER.

Peavy will be questioned from time to time until every scrap of information he may have is obtained, Captain of Detectives said.

Another "starting point" sought by investigators is the revolver with which Taylor was slain. On two occasions clews have come to the men which have great promise, but as yet the weapon has not been found.

A third "starting point," which Captain of Detectives Adams insists is vital to the conclusion of the case, is the finding of Edward F. Sands, missing valet-secretary of Taylor.

"We must know what Sands knows," he said.

And the nation-wide search for Sands will continue unabated whatever local developments may be.

The latest clew of the search for Sands is an attempt to find a woman with whom he is reported to have been friendly during his regime as valet-secretary to Taylor. Expensive lingerie, diamonds and a diamond ring for Taylor account during his absence also is being traced. Detectives hope thus to gain definite information as to when Sands was last here and possibly a clew to his present whereabouts.

**HOLLYWOOD TO BE COMBED.**

In the belief that persons in the Hollywood motion picture colony, who hitherto have not been questioned, are in possession of information of importance in connection with the probe of the William D. Taylor murder mystery, District Attorney Thomas D. Woolwine and other officials have started an investigation that is expected to reach every nook of the great studio city.

The district attorney and two of his chief investigators are engaged on a secret mission. It was generally admitted that one phase of this investigation concerned the possible participation of persons in Hollywood in some way.

A woman and two men, whose identity is being kept a secret, were in attendance at the district attorney's conference. An official court reporter was another member of the secret investigation expedition. Charles A. Jones, former chief of police, is riding in the investigation. Jones stated the officers have been working on a number of clews and intimated new developments might be expected soon.

The former Hollywood world disease activities are expected to reveal one phase of the investigation was along the "dope ring" theory and several important witnesses have been located.

## DENY INQUIRY INVOLVES STARS.

The officials denied the night's work had dealt with any of the prominent motion picture stars who have been mentioned in connection with the case.

In keeping with the district attorney's avowed intention in turning the searchlight of scrutinizing investigation on every possible lead, it was said Mary Miles Minter, screen beauty, and friend of the murdered man, and Miss Nera Gerber, who once was engaged to him, might be summoned to the district attorney's office to tell what they know of Taylor's life and any possible enemies he may have had.

It was reported Miss Minter had been interviewed by Woolwine but this was denied by the district attorney. Other prominent film personalities may be called to the district attorney's office.

Mabel Normand, it is reported, has suffered another serious nervous collapse at her home. She appeared at the district attorney's office Friday night and was closed in conference for four hours. The strain of this questioning is said by physicians to have brought on her present condition.

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**Mary Miles Minter  
Says Director Was Friend and Advisor**

## G. O. P. LEADERS ASK PRESIDENT TO AID 'BONUS'

Postpone Consideration of Measure to Await Hard- ing Word.

## MEANS IS PROBLEM

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13.—Republican leaders of the House and Senate were yesterday in President Harding's office to demand his immediate action on the proposed "bonus" tax program framed by the House Ways and Means Committee.

From 1919 until the day of his death, Mr. Taylor was to me a symbol of all that a girl admires in a man. His friendship was uplifting, his advice and aid invaluable. It would be neither wise nor virtuous for me to say that he is dead, raise my voice to proclaim what he was, to repudiate those who would besmirch his character.

I have told the authorities all I know of both his life here and in the East. That, I fear, has been of little aid to them.

I cannot conceive the character of the person who would voluntarily give Mr. Taylor or cause his death.

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physician and has a nurse in constant attendance. Announcement was made at her home she would not be able to see any one for ten days.

**SCREEN WRITERS**

The Screen Writers' Guild, an organization of screen writers, has announced a fine of \$100 for the arrest and conviction of Taylor's slayer.

Additional interest was added to the case by the arrival from New York of Adolph Zukor, head of Famous Players-Lasky Corporation, the organization by which Taylor was employed.

Zukor's trip to the coast is admitted to have come as a result of the agitation started by the recent decision of the Senate Finance Committee to hold a hearing on the proposed "bonus" bill.

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