

IRVING TAYLOR, 74, BIG GAME HUNTER

Liquor Importer Led 1927
Expedition to Egypt for the
Natural History Museum

SUCCUMBS IN CALIFORNIA

Sudanese Fauna Trophies He
Obtained Said to Be Most
Complete Collection

Irving K. Taylor, big-game hunter and president of the liquor importing firm of W. A. Taylor & Co. at 15 Laight Street, died Thursday night in Santa Barbara, Calif., where he had made his Winter home for the last ten years. He was 74 years old.

He spent much time traveling and hunting all over the world. In 1927, as a member of the board of directors of the New York Zoological Society, he financed and led an expedition to the Egyptian Sudan for the American Museum of Natural History.

Under the scientific direction of Harold E. Anthony, curator of mammals, the expedition covered between 3,000 and 4,000 miles along the Blue Nile and White Nile. More than 200 specimens of mammals, including buffalo, hartebeeste, cob, oribi, gazelle, waterbuck and several kinds of antelope, were brought back.

Reptiles, fish and more than 400 birds also were taken. Mr. Anthony said that the trophies would constitute the most complete collection of Sudanese fauna possessed by any museum.

The expedition also took about 3,000 feet of motion picture film, and 300 still photographs.

Mr. Taylor was one of the founders of the W. A. Taylor Company in 1888, and had served as its president since 1906. He had spent his Summers in Bass River on Cape Cod and his Winters in Santa Barbara for the last decade. His New York home had been at 21 West Sixty-seventh Street.

During the World War he served as a major in command of the American Red Cross in Turin and was decorated by the Italian King.

He was a member of the Union League Club, the Society of the Ninth Company of the Seventh Regiment, N. G. N. Y., and a former member of the Racquet Club.

Surviving are his widow; a son, William L. Taylor, vice president of the W. A. Taylor Company, and two daughters, Mrs. George Shepley of Boston and Mrs. Patrick Maxton-Graham of London.

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