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**Rejected Suitor Is Sought  
In Slaying of L. A. Co-ed**

**Roommate Quizzed Tells of  
Numerous Loans to Man**



CAPT. D. R. PATTON

ANYA SOSOYEVA

. . . detective holds glove clue in slaying

Los Angeles, Feb. 26.—A rejected suitor of Anya Sosoyeva, 32, dancer and Goldwyn follies film beauty, was sought by police tonight for questioning about her slaying on the Los Angeles City college campus.

The hunt for the spurned suitor was started soon after Dr. Frank Webb, county autopsy surgeon, reported two examinations had failed to disclose that the stately blonde had been ravished.

Capt. D. R. Patton, chief of police homicide detail, said Beulah

Ann Stanley, dramatics instructor and roommate of Miss Sosoyeva, was questioned today and gave a "satisfactory explanation" of her whereabouts before and since the slaying last Friday night.

### **GIVES LIST OF FRIENDS**

Det. Lt. Tom Bryan said Miss Stanley had given him a list of the male friends of Miss Sosoyeva, whose real name was Nina Susoff. Police began a search for an accountant to whom the dancer apparently had lent money on numerous occasions.

Authorities said Dr. Richard S. Murray, an osteopath, had reported that Miss Sosoyeva, Russian-born entertainer who once was in the Ziegfeld Follies and on vaudeville circuits, came to him about two weeks ago for a physical examination, complaining that she was indifferent to the attentions of men.

Mrs. A. L. Miller, associated with Dr. Murray's clinic, told police she had seen Miss Sosoyeva several times in the company of "a large man who, I have been told, is a member of a strange cult on the Los Angeles City college campus."

### **TO PROBE CULT**

Capt. Patton said an investigation was being made of various reports that the secret order, called the "Purple Cult," held weird rites at the home of a faculty member.

Investigation disclosed that Miss Sosoyeva married Laurence Tulloch, actor and writer, when she was very young. He was twice tried for the fatal shooting of Mrs. Gertrude Lavine, divorcee, in his San Francisco apartment, but both juries disagreed. Tulloch died in 1932.