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NEWLY-ELECTED RELUBLICAN CONGRESS DRYEST YET; WILL CONVENE NEXT MONTH

302 Of 435 In House Claimed By Prohibition Forces—Plans To Tighten The Law—Complaint Against "Dry" Inspectors May Result In Their Being Civil Service Employees.

(From the Washington Correspondent of The Jeffersonian).  
Three hundred and two of the 435 members elected to the next House of Representatives are classed as against a liberalization of the Volstead Prohibition Enforcement act to permit of the sale and manufacture of beers and light wines. This number, according to the organizations fighting for the continuance of a bone-dry nation, have committed themselves either by written pledges or promises to the electorate to uphold the present enforcement act, which authorizes the sale and manufacture of beverages which do not contain more than one-half of 1 per cent. of alcohol.  
The Anti-Saloon League and the Board of Temperance of the Methodist Episcopal Church, the two organizations which directed the fight for prohibition and were most active in supporting candidates for Congress who would refuse to amend the act, decline to make public the new members who are classed as dry. This information they will make known as soon as they receive written assurances of the members-elect that the promises made to the voters will be carried into action. But pledges and promises given

in the campaign put the number at 302 drys, which, of course, includes the old members who originally voted for prohibition.  
There were 287 members who voted for the Volstead act. Of this number 235 were candidates for re-election; 217 were re-elected and twenty-one defeated, according to the compilation made by the Board of Temperance.  
Of the 100 members who voted against the measure 76 sought re-election, and of these 15 were defeated. Of the 61 re-elected it is known that many of them will be found fighting on the side of the wets and will accept the amendment to the law of the land and support legislation intended to enforce the act.  
The test of the strength of prohibition will come early in the coming session of Congress, when the same members who voted on the amendment and the enforcement act will be called upon to provide large appropriations to carry into effect the law, which has not been rigidly enforced in the larger cities nor in the industrial and mining sections in Pennsylvania and other States.  
An attempt will be made to strengthen the law in many respects. First, the legitimate users of alcohol for manufacturing purposes will join with the dry forces to modify the provisions which authorize the issuance of permits. There has been too much laxity in this respect, the drys point out, with the result that thousands of fictitious permits were issued to persons engaged in the bootlegging business. This scheme was reported to largely in New York City, with the result that much of the liquor withdrawn for commercial and medicinal purposes found its way into illegitimate channels.  
Another issue that will be brought before Congress will be the proposal that the Government take over control of all whiskey now distributed in many warehouses in different parts of the country and place it in several large warehouses where it can be properly guarded. It is further proposed by the drys to sell this whiskey for legitimate purposes and reimburse the owners.  
As there has been a great deal of complaint against the inspectors and

agents, the drys are considering whether it would not be better to obtain these men through the civil service rather than through political appointment. They may get behind such a move. But what the drys want most of all is a uniform enforcement code in every State. This agitation will be carried to the State Legislature by the Anti-Saloon League. Some of the larger States, such as New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, Maryland, Missouri, Rhode Island and Louisiana, have not provided machinery to enforce the law as provided in the constitutional amendment, and it is in these States, the drys say, where the law is most violated.  
Despite the technicalities of the law, so-called medicines and tonics are placed on the market which contain as high as 40 per cent. alcohol. The beverages are taking the places of other prohibited stimulants and the drys intend to make it impossible to sell such tonics.  
In the opinion of the dry leaders the next Congress will be drier than the one which passed the enforcement act. They say that the enforcement act will be strengthened rather than weakened, and that seems to be the conclusion of those who are aligned with the wets. The great political upheaval in which women participated for the first time in every State is the one reason for the reported dry gains, and with the women on guard the dry leaders have no fear that the law can be weakened, for many years to come, at least.

"The recent election spells defeat for the beer and wine amendment in the Sixty-seventh Congress," said Wayne B. Wheeler, counsel for the anti-saloon League. "Of the 435 members of Congress more than 255 who had voted for the Volstead act were re-elected. In addition, there were many new members elected and former members who did not vote who have gone on record in this campaign against raising the alcoholic content of permitted beverages or otherwise weakening the national prohibition code."  
"The issue was made more difficult in some districts by candidates announcing themselves dry in opposition to present dry members of Congress, and they received the wet vote to punish members of Congress who had gone on record against them. One of the bitterest fights was made in Mr. Volstead's district in Minnesota. He had a handicap of 6,300 to overcome, and his opponent declared he was as dry as Mr. Volstead. The fight was won by convincing the voters that Volstead's defeat would be heralded as a wet victory, and it would give the wets a wet chairman of the Judiciary Committee.  
"Of course, the liquor interests will make another fight after reapportionment of Congress this year, but with the convincing results coming from prohibition and the influence of the women's votes we are confident that an effective prohibition law is on the national statute books to stay. The immediate task before us is to help speed up law enforcement. This is no time for the dry forces to go to sleep."

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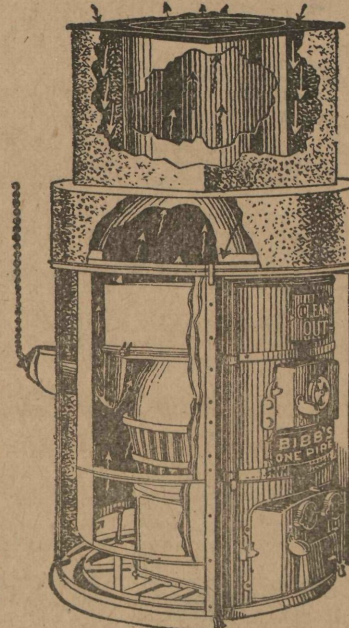
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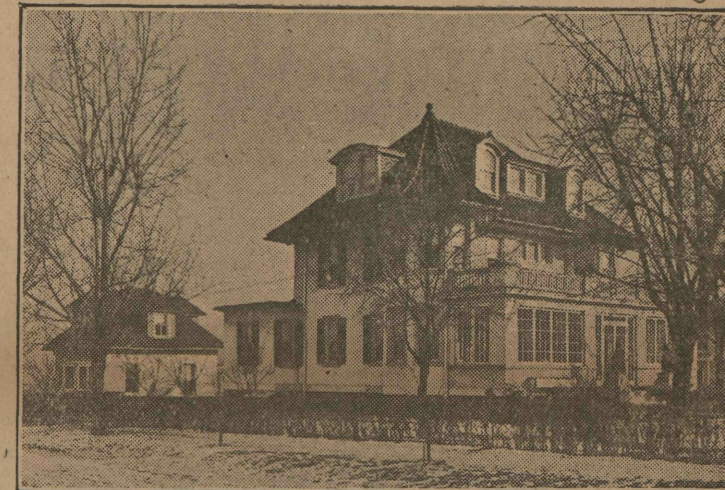
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