

DRY LAW'S LEGALITY

DOUBLE MOVE IN CONGRESS HITS RUM STATUTE

La Guardia in House Calls
Liquor Act Void, While Blaine
Asks Repeal in Senate.

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WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—
Development tumbled over de-
velopment in the Prohibition
war today as the "noble ex-
periment" ended its tenth year
with two determined efforts to
scratch the Eighteenth Amend-
ment off the book of American
statutes promising to furnish
most of the fireworks.

In the House Representative
La Guardia (Rep., New York)
planned to launch a fight de-
claring the Prohibition Amend-
ment null and void on the basis
of its own language, and the
grounds he is taking seemed
certain, at least, to precipitate
prolonged and heated debate.

In the Senate the tenth anni-
versary of national aridity was to
be observed by introduction of a
resolution by Senator Blaine (R.)
of Wisconsin, repealing the Eight-
eenth Amendment on the simple
grounds that "it is the best cure
for the evils of prohibition."

La Guardia's move has caused
consternation in the ranks of the
drys. He has announced his in-
tention of moving on a point of
order to strike out all further ap-
propriations for the enforcement
of anti-liquor laws. He will base
the point of the assertion of the
Eighteenth Amendment passed
out of existence some three years
ago by virtue of its phraseology.

WILL QUOTE AMEDMENT.

He will contend only ten States
actually ratified the amendment
itself; that the remainder of the
necessary thirty-six acted instead
upon the Sheppard Joint Resolu-
tion, and he points to Section 3
of the Sheppard Resolution,
which later became Section 3 of
the Amendment, which reads:

"This article shall be inop-
erative unless it shall have been
ratified as an amendment to
the Constitution within seven
years from the date of the sub-
mission hereof to the State by
the Congress."

Blaine is making his move on
this tenth "dry" birthday more as
a gesture of protest. Preliminary
to introduction of his resolution
he was to point out that fifteen
countries have tried prohibition
within the last twenty years, and
all but the United States, Finland
and Prince Edwards Island have
abandoned it after a trial approxi-
mating ten years.

OPTIMISTS SILENT.

It was significant, possibly, that
this tenth milestone of prohibi-
tion failed to bring forth the state-
ments so often issued in the past
by leaders of the prohibition
movement to the effect that the
dry law had been a great help to
business, bringing about temper-
ance, reducing drunkenness and
increasing the output of the labor-
ing man.

Today these leaders lifted their

It's Capone Today!
Tomorrow Comes
'The Big Shot'

Seize Atlantic City

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And now this growing picture, which has been appear-
ing day by day in the Evening Journal's vice and rum
expose of Atlantic City, reveals another smiling fellow,
who is the most notorious of gang leaders in America.
He's the third from the right. Don't you recognize him
as he parades along the famous Boardwalk as one of the
six sunny boys? He's "SCARFACE AL" CAPONE or
Brown, as the police usually know him. He's the ultra-
ultra in beer barons, rum-running chieftans and gang
racketeers and he holds sway in Chicago and Florida. It
was his repeated visits to Atlantic City which prompted
the Evening Journal to investigate conditions there. Al-

though he was sunning himself with the five other sunny
boys when this picture was taken, he's now cooling his
heels in a Philadelphia jail for "toting a rod," or carry-
ing a revolver, in that city. The others you've met from
day to day. Dave Palter, second from left, and Charles
T. "Chuck" Greene, between Palter and Capone. Palter
and Greene are "high pressure" boys, and Palter managed
to pay Washington officials enough to keep him out of
Atlanta prison on mail fraud conviction. But who is the
big figure second from the right? Big is right! He's
a BIG SHOT of Atlantic City and tomorrow's Evening
Journal will tell you about him.