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## CONGRESS HAS LAF EAR FOR APPEALS OF THIRSTY

### Although Prohibition Question Is Constantly Raised, There Seems No Inclination on Part of Solons to Loosen Up Liquor Laws—Different Views

By W. S. Mann, (Specialist, 1920, by The Washington Star)

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It is pointed out that the "drys" in most of the states, have two lines of branches which were carried by the "wets" before the present strength of the "drys" can be ascertained. The first line of defense is the act of congress, denouncing alcoholic liquors. The second line of defense is the state statute, in the dry states, on the subject.

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The political aspect of the question is that neither of the two great parties is likely to include "wet" planks in their national platforms. Prohibition is expected to be endorsed by the platforms. The recourse of those who favor opposite modification will be to fight or support individual candidates, running on both the national platform, but with declared individual views upon the subject.

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