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GLASS PROPOSES REPEAL

One of the strangest things in the whole topsy-turvy session was the proposal of Senator Glass of Virginia, driest of the drys, to repeal the 18th amendment. His suggested new constitutional amendment would let states that want liquor have it but would keep the saloon unconstitutional and have the federal government aid in preventing shipments of booze into dry states. His idea was to permit selling of drinks in restaurants and hotels. The Senator explained that he was just as dry as ever, but was "merely submitting the question." His action was taken, he said, to test the sincerity of the very wet Senator Bingham of Connecticut, who had been professedly testing the sincerity of the Democrats in their wet platform plank. The dry Senator pressed his proposal on the last day of the session, and not only got a long debate on it but a vote to take it from the table, and the favorable vote of 37 to 21, it was noted, was just two short of two-thirds then voting.