

PROHIBITION & ORGANIZED CRIME!

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Speakeasies



Were places where illegal sale of alcohol was being dealt because at this point in time alcohol was illegal.

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People got hold of alcohol at places called saloons.

If one saloon got caught and had to close down, there was many underground saloons that you could go to for more.

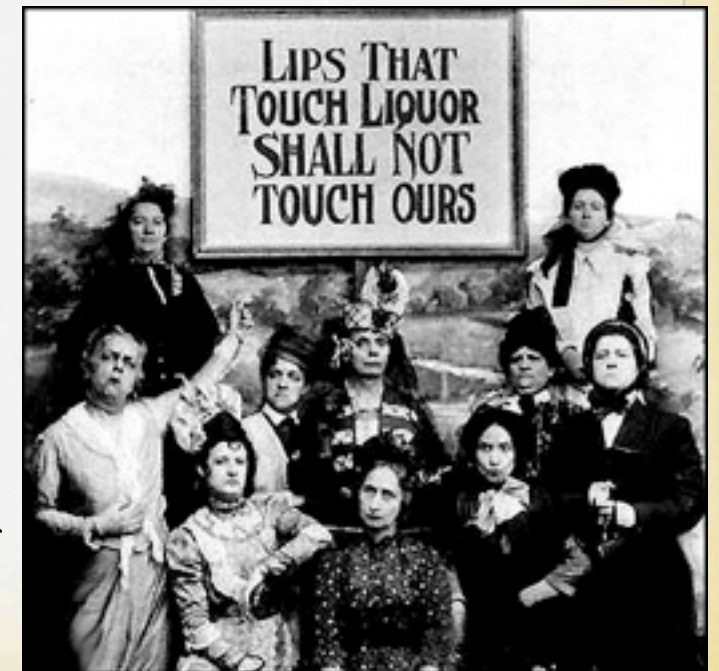
It's kind of relates to now a days with people getting ahold of pot.

It's illegal but there are many

“underground” people who have it and you can get it from them.

This caused Americans to come up with new ideas to transfer alcoholic beverages.

They used hip flasks, false books, coconut shells and even garden hoses to transport alcohol. This lead to many Americans becoming criminals during this time era.



BOOTLEGGERS

*Bootleggers were just like speakeasies.
Was just another name for smuggler's
practice of the transport and the
carrying of alcohol in the legs of boots.*

*Bootleggers were known for smuggling alcoholic products
from Canada, Cuba and the West Indies.*



*Since the United States banned alcoholic beverages this caused many
gangs. The reason the U. S even banned alcohol was because of the
high crime rate. But that didn't stop people like bootleggers that would
travel over sea's to buy liquor and sell it over here illegally. That's
what caused the different forms of gangs to form.*

Bootleggers were caught by producing illegal products as well as the selling illegal products like alcohol.

Al Capone



Al Capone at this time was known as a gangster and was the criminal empire of Chicago.

He took control over Chicago liquor business by literally killing off his competition.

Capone not only took control over Chicago liquor business but also bootlegged whiskey from Canada and ran a network of over 10,000 speakeasies.

The end of Capone's high almighty climb was in 1931 he was arrested for tax evasion and was sent to jail.

This was the only crime the authorities could really convict him of because they had no proof all the other crimes he has caused.

Al Capone was a smart man.



Elliot Ness (Untouchables)

*Elliot Ness was an American Prohibition agent.
Ness had a reputation of diligence and honesty.
He chose young, unmarried men to be his agents.
They also needed strong and good records.*

*He is known for his efforts of the
enforcement of
prohibition in Chicago, Illinois.*



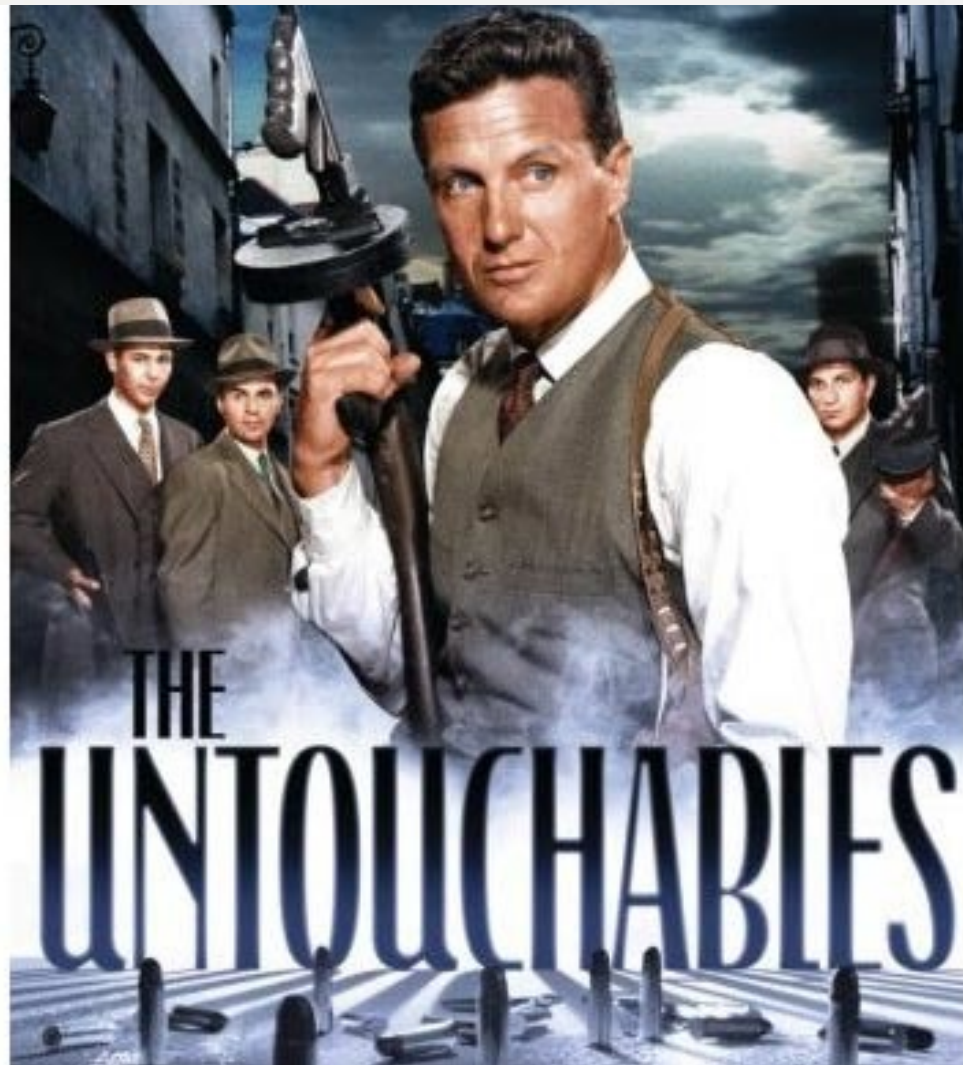
*The untouchables
were law enforcement agents that worked towards prohibition.*

Ness was the leader of a team called the “Untouchables.”

*Bootleggers were known to persuade
the police when caught for the illegal possession of alcohol
but when the “Untouchables” caught someone
no one could persuade them so that’s why they called them the “Untouchables.”*

*They groups main goal was out to get Al Capone
but after 2 and a half years looking for him got them no where but they did destroy
two dozen breweries and distilleries, about 20,000 gallons of alcohol each day.*

*Eliot Ness was only 26 years old
when he was hired to run the department of Chicago’s prohibition bureau .*



St. Valentine's Day's Massacre

Is known as St. Valentines Day because it happened on February 14, 1929 which is on Valentines Day.



*Four men walked into a warehouse and opened fire with machine guns
that were kept under their coats.
Killing 7 people.*

*Police suspected that the leader in charge of the gang's actions was
Al Capone.*

*The suspected this because the seven men that were killed were apart of
Moran's North side gang the week before had hijacked Capone's liquor
shipments, competed in protection rackets and even murdered Capone's allies.
Capone was getting his payback with the St. Valentines Massacre.*

*Even though the police suspected Al Capone t
hey didn't have any proof s
o no one was ever got caught for the killings this time.*



Texas Guinan

She became one of the most famous entertainer during the roaring twenties.



"Texas" Guinan

*The first film she was in was called "The Wildcat."
After this movie she became "The Queen of the West."*

She was America's first movie cowgirl.

*She then opened her own speakeasy in
New York City
called the "300 Club."*

*There was were you would see clad
fan dancers as well as Texas Guinan
would perform herself.*

*Everything wasn't just easy for Texas Guinan, she got caught
and arrested several times for serving alcohol illegal.*

*During the Great Depression she took her talent and hit the road.
She traveled all over the world*

*How her career ending was she got portrayed by other actors and just
became replaced by new and more exciting talent.*

But that's what happens in show business now a days.



Izzy & Moe



Izzy & Moe were known as the prohibition agents of the country during this time.

The two of them worked together to get a total of 4,932 arrests of just bartenders, bootleggers and speakeasy owners making their percent of conviction rate at a high 95.

Izzy carried a gun but that was just once in a while when Moe never did.

They were very good at what they did and that's why they became so popular during this time.

Funny fact about the two men was after a hard day of arresting prohibition offenders they would sit back and have a drink.

It was very hypocritical because their job was to arrest people because of the illegal transport of alcoholic beverages.

But there was always a way you could get it.

It's known that even the White House was sold alcohol illegally.

