

# WOMEN ANTI-DRYS LAUNCH NEW DRIVE

Want Repeal Not Only of the  
Volstead Act, but of 18th  
Amendment, Also.

## PLEAD FOR 'BILL OF RIGHTS'

Group, Prominent In Society and  
Business, Backs Campaign  
for Action by States.

Tired of taking "a half way position," members of the Women's Committee for the Modification of the Volstead act at a meeting yesterday at the Ritz-Carlton voted unanimously to change the name of their organization to the Women's Committee for the Repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment.

The membership of the society, which includes many women prominent in society and business, had been thoroughly polled on the matter in advance, according to the Secretary, Mrs. David Holmes Morton, and not a dissenting voice against the change was raised.

According to Mrs. Morton, Miss Elisabeth Marbury, the Honorary Chairman of the organization, had sent approval of the proposal along with her regrets at not being present. Many who could not attend sent proxies.

With the change in name the women adopted a resolution supporting the efforts of Senator Edwards, Democrat, of New Jersey, to obtain Congressional authorization for consideration by State conventions of a measure to repeal the Eighteenth Amendment. It was decided that New York representatives in Congress should be kept informed through telegrams and letters of the committee's stand and its desire for action.

The women also cast a unanimous ballot to adopt as their motto, "The Restoration of the Bill of Rights."

Referring to this vote, Miss M. Louise Gross, the Chairman, said: "They urge us to respect the Constitution, but which are we to respect—the old Constitution or the prohibition amendment? We cannot respect and obey both, for they flatly contradict each other. We have the Bill of Rights, the greatest guarantee of liberty and freedom from oppression in the world, violated every day by our own Government when it upholds murder by prohibition agents, searches houses without warrants, destroys personal property and does everything else contrary to the Bill of Rights. Why not let the American people choose, as it is obvious we cannot have both?"

The members of the General Committee of the organization include Mrs. S. Edwin Buchanan, Mrs. W. Campbell Clark, Miss Juliana Cutting, Mrs. Fabian Franklin, Mrs. Samuel Fuller, Mrs. Cadwalader Jones, Mrs. Arthur Curtiss James, Alice Foote MacDougal, Mrs. Charles E. Proctor, Mrs. Douglas Robinson, Miss Edith Southard and Mrs. Walter Weil.

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