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December 5 is Repeal Day, which signifies an historical event in US history: the repeal of the 18\textsuperscript{th} Amendment, resulting in the end of Prohibition in the United States.

Championed by temperance societies and religious denominations concerned about the adverse effects of drinking, the 18\textsuperscript{th} Amendment was ratified on January 29, 1919, prohibiting the manufacture, sale, or transportation of alcohol for drinking purposes. However, under the 18\textsuperscript{th} Amendment, federal agents and police did little more than slow the flow of alcohol across the nation and organized crime flourished as a result of illegal distribution efforts.

In the 1930s, after failing to enforce sobriety and costing the nation billions, Prohibition began rapidly losing popular support; many of those who initially advocated Prohibition began fighting for repeal. On December 5, 1933, Utah became the 36\textsuperscript{th} state to ratify the 21\textsuperscript{st} Amendment to the US Constitution, thereby achieving the three-fourths majority vote needed to repeal the 18\textsuperscript{th} Amendment and bring an end to the Prohibition Era.

A display of items centered on Prohibition, life in the 1920s, and alcohol of all kinds is currently located on the Display Shelving on the 4\textsuperscript{th} floor of Cooper Library. The display will be up until the end of December.

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