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WILSON TO SIGN BILL TO MAKE CAPITAL DRY

WASHINGTON, March 2.—All hope that Washington will remain "wet" fled today when the word was quickly passed around that President Wilson will sign the Sheppard bill, which forbids the sale and manufacture of liquor in the District after November 1.

Some of the more ardent "wets" will continue their efforts to prevent the "drought" until the last moment. But their efforts are admittedly forlorn. The breweries here are planning either to abandon their works or turn them into soft drink producers.

Washington was the first important capital of the world to go dry in peace times. The President will probably sign the bill late tomorrow or on Sunday morning.

Among those who urged the President to sign the bill was Oliver P. Newman, Commissioner of the District.