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Closing Time by Daniel Francis provides a good account of the border wars and smuggling across the northern border. Robert Rockaway's article "The Notorious Purple Gang" details the gang's origin as well as the Cleaners and Dyers War. For information about the link between Prohibition and organized crime in Chicago, Gus Russo's The Outfit and Get Capone by Johnathan Eig are invaluable sources. Al Capone's Beer Wars by John J. Binder is a fantastic re-assessment of the period that sorts out some of the fact from fiction, in a highly mythologized period. For more on the Increased Penalties Act, Michael Lerner's Dry Manhattan, is a good resource used for this podcast, as is Daniel Okrent's Last Call. Robin Room's The Movies and the Wettening of America is the source for the section on Hollywood's move away from temperance. Kenneth D. Rose's American Women and the Repeal of Prohibition provided insight into Pauline Sabin's work, as did David J. Hanson's comprehensive resource, Alcohol Problems and Solutions. The Washington Post's recap of The Man in the Green Hat expos  is available here. See Privacy Policy at <https://art19.com/privacy> and California Privacy Notice at <https://art19.com/privacy#do-not-sell-my-info>.

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