

## PRIMARY SOURCE Political Cartoon

The hotly debated 18th Amendment, which prohibited the manufacture, sale, and transportation of alcoholic beverages, went into effect in January 1920. According to this political cartoon, what was the impact of prohibition?



The Heritage of Prohibition, Herbert Johnson. Library of Congress

## **Discussion Questions**

- 1. What effect of Prohibition does this cartoon illustrate?
- 2. According to the cartoon, what led to the growth of organized crime during Prohibition?
- 3. In the cartoonist's view, was Prohibition helpful or harmful? Explain your answer.