



CHICAGO'S FAVORITE MOBSTER:

Al Capone

Introduction

- ▶ Welcome to the 1920's or better known as the Roaring Twenties.
- ▶ The 1920's was a time of dramatic change.
- ▶ This was the first time in American history that more people lived in the cities than in the country.
- ▶ Many important inventions and medical achievements happened during these years. An example of said achievements would be the invention of the washing machine.

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- ▶ This was a time when the nation's wealth doubled as a whole.
- ▶ The 1920's introduced 'mass culture' to the people of America.
- ▶ Although, everyone seemed more unified, this time was known to bring more conflict than celebration.



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- ▶ In 1919, the 18th Amendment was ratified. It banned the sale and manufacture of alcohol.
- ▶ The amendment came into effect on January, 17, 1920 and every establishment that sold alcohol was closed.
- ▶ Instead of getting rid of alcohol, the 18th Amendment has the opposite effect. It simply drove the sale of alcohol underground.
- ▶ People would now go to places called “speakeasies” to get their alcohol.

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- ▶ These speakeasies were controlled by bootleggers, racketeers, and other organized-crime figures.
- ▶ This was the time when one of America's most infamous mobster would rise...

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