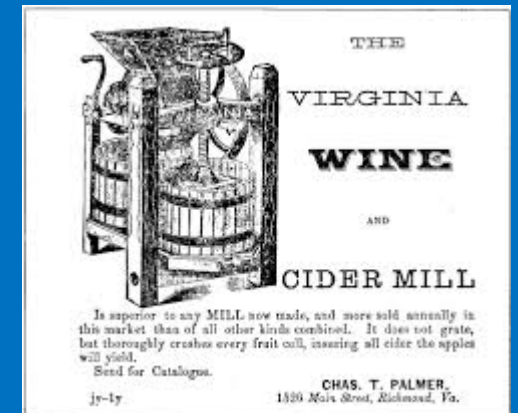




# THE HISTORY OF WINEGROWING IN VIRGINIA

FROM THE EARLY 1600'S UP THROUGH TODAY



# 1619 "Acte 12" Passed by House of Burgesses

**The history of winegrowing dates to 1619 when the Virginia House of Burgesses passed a bill called "ACTE 12" requiring each male land holder to plant a minimum of 10 vines for future production of wine. The British hopes were to supplant their reliance on the French for wine.**



## **THOMAS JEFERSON & Wine in Virginia**

**In 1773 Jefferson formed the  
Virginia Wine Company whose  
members total 25 prominent  
early American Leaders such  
as George Washington and  
George Mason.**



**MONTICELLO WINE COMPANY  
IS ESTABLISHED IN  
CHARLOTTESVILLE 1873.**

**They quickly earn acclaim in  
competitions for their Virginia  
Claret produced from Norton.**

**BY 1888 THERE ARE 3,000  
ACRES OF VINES PLANTED IN  
ALBEMARLE COUNTY ALONE.**



# PROHIBITION & VIRGINIA

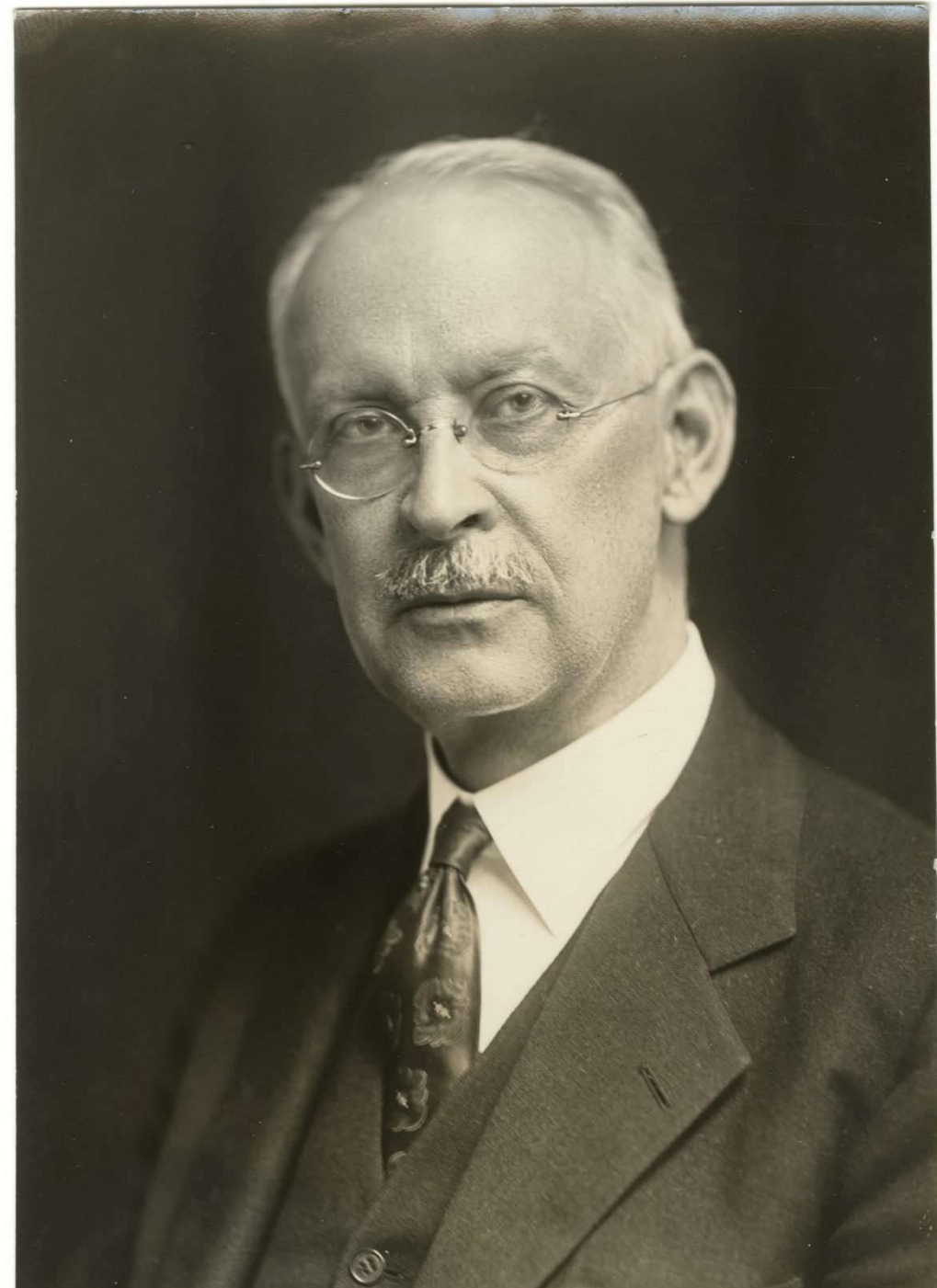
Although the 18<sup>th</sup> Amendment didn't take effect until 1920, Virginia was ahead of it's time with a referendum in 1914 banning alcohol statewide. It passed overwhelmingly. It would take effect on November 1, 1916, four years ahead of the ratification of the 18<sup>th</sup> Amendment to the Constitution.



# Bishop James Cannon

Best known as a relentless advocate for Prohibition, Cannon led the Virginia Anti-Saloon League's campaign for statewide Prohibition, adopted in 1914.

Cannon was the founder of the Richmond Virginian newspaper and used it as a vehicle to promote his anti-alcohol agenda.



**1976 THE NEXT  
CHAPTER  
BEGINS WHEN THE  
ZONIN FAMILY FROM  
ITALY ESTABLISH  
BARBOURSVILLE  
VINYARDS.**



# Gabriele Rausse

## Father of Virginia's Vineyards

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**BARBOURSVILLE RECRUIT  
GABRIELE RAUSSE TO OVERSEE  
THEIR NEW VENTURE IN VIRGINIA.**

**THUS, MODERN-DAY VIRGINIA  
WINEGROWING BEGINS.**





## **Virginia Tech University Supports VA Wine**

**In 1985 VA Tech decides to invest in two new positions to oversee a comprehensive Viticultural and Enology curriculum. They first recruit Dr. Bruce Zoecklein who was teaching at Fresno State in California as head of the Enology Department.**



# Virginia Tech University Supports VA Wine

**In 1986, Professor Tony Wolf was brought into head up the Viticultural Department. His graduate education included a MS at the Pennsylvania State University and a PhD at Cornell University.**

**The addition of Dr. Bruce Zoecklein and Professor Tony Wolf makes a significant contribution to the Virginia Wine Industry and the burgeoning new level of wine quality that consumers in Virginia enjoy today.**



# THE VIRGINIA WINE EXPERIENCE AT The HOMESTEAD RESORT



**With well over 350 wineries in Virginia by 2021, Mark Spadoni, the new Managing Partner of The Homestead has a vision.**



**Mark's vision is to establish the resort as a premier location to promote, sell and educate its guests who come to the resort from areas throughout the country and internationally on the rich and diverse history of Virginia winemaking.**





  
**BARBOURSVILLE**  
*Vineyards*  
AN ESTATE OF WINE



**That brings us to today with two of Virginia's prominent vintners. Luca Paschina, General Manager and Winemaker at Barboursville Vineyards and Michael Shaps, Founder and Winemaker of Michael Shaps Wineworks.**