5000 Speakeasies
In Conn. House Told

Washington, Feb. 19. — (Special.) — Connecticut may claim the distinction or accept the blame of having at least 5000 speakeasies, according to Representative Dyer, Republican, of Missouri.

Mr. Dyer attributed this number of liquor places to Connecticut presenting to the House today a survey based upon “careful investigations.” The study indicates, he said, that in the United States there are 220,000 speakeasies and that 5000 of these are in the Nutmeg state.

Dyer expressed the conviction that if people could buy legal brewery-made beer they would stop frequenting the secret outlets for liquor. He credited only eight states with having more speakeasies than Connecticut.