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Eamon de Valera has issued a manifesto launching a new Irish organization, the object of which are to obtain international recognition of the Irish Republic and repudiation of the proposed agreement with Great Britain.

Elisha Morris has purchased from R. R. Robertson, the old Sinclair property on Bridge street, Carleton Place, next the Baptist church, and purposes moving into town to reside.

Mrs. Eagley, sister of the late Mrs. James Wilson, Carleton Place, died at the home of her son, John Eagley, Merrickville, on Sunday, at the ripe old age of eighty-three years.

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walls of the parliament buildings, their legislative conduct breathes of the most arrant hypocrisy. They become utterly unworthy of public confidence. Is this to be taken as an evidence of the uplifting character of no-party government? The most pronounced opponents of partyism can formulate no such charge as this against either the Liberals or the Tories. And such conduct on the part of Liberals or Tories would deservedly consign either or both of them to political oblivion.

Who Will Prosecute?

"The name of every member of the legislature who attended this drunken orgy is known. The name of the one who supplied the liquor is known. Everyone connected with the disgraceful incident is subject to a minimum penalty of \$200 on conviction. The fines will amount to \$6,500. No one who was present can escape. Young women and all. Will the attorney-general prosecute? Will the Toronto police prosecute? Will the chairman of the License Commission prosecute? Will Dominion Alliance prosecute? Will Rev. Ben Spence prosecute? They all have equal rights under the law to institute proceedings.

"If action is taken to vindicate the law of prohibition, let us write ourselves down as unmitigated hypocrites. It is time to remove the mask. 'Ye have made it a den of thieves' may well be applied to Queen's Park. It should replace the provincial arms upon the speaker's chair. This indifference to the observance of the O.T.A. in high places is significant. In a western city a few days ago a luncheon was given to the lieutenant-governor. His honor, it is stated, had six different kinds of liquor at his disposal. Whiskey bottles were as numerous on the tables as soup plates. This was not done in a corner. Everybody in the city knew. No one was prosecuted. This official-winking at open violations of the law in high places is a farce. But if some poor devil out of work and wanting to make a few dollars to buy bread for a large and starving family is caught selling a bottle, virtue triumphs and he goes down to prison.

Public Approval.

"And this sort of thing is going on with the approval of the public, expressed so markedly by the closing of official eyes upon fashionable offenders. The general silence that gives its assent, marks the fatal end of the popular approval to prohibition. Unless the public is prepared to take as active an interest in this aspect of prohibition as it takes, for instance, in the Separate school question where no great moral issue is in danger, then the end of prohibition can be seen in this province. We cannot hope for success by playing the hypocrite all the time. At present, as evidenced by this orgy of debauch within the four walls of the legislature on June 21st, 1921, with the connivance of the authorities, prohibition, so-called, is a delusion and a fraud. Is there any public sentiment on this question at all? It should find expression now or never."

WINE, WOMEN AND M.P.P.'S

Reflections of a U. F. O. Paper on the Queen's Park Revels.

The Port Hope Guide, a newspaper which supported Sam Staples, U.F.O. member for West Durham, has the following scathing criticism to make of the memorable Queen's Park party in the closing hours of last session, and the stand taken by the Drury Government.

"June 21st, 1921, will be remembered as a notable date. The legislature was prorogued. Members of the assembly, principally U.F.O.'s gathered in a large room in the buildings. An unlimited supply of whiskey was immediately forthcoming. The end of the session was celebrated with obvious results to many of those taking part. It was a disgraceful but a jolly party. Young women typists were sent for. Some of them are said to have entered into the spirit of the occasion, were passed from knee to knee among the maudling crowd of jolly representatives of the people, and hugged and kissed by these slobbering muddle-brained chosen representatives of an intelligent electorate. The party broke up next morning at two o'clock.

"In a short time the story leaked out. The U.F.O. executive, Burnaby, Morrison and Fraser, passed a formal resolution condemning the orgy. But great care was taken that it did not reach the press. The tale was brought to Premier Drury. He was assured that no member of the cabinet had done anything to be ashamed of. But the premier did not consider himself the custodian of the moral conduct of his followers. It was hoped the unseemly orgy would be forgotten. But not so.

Demand Investigation.

"As soon as the legislature assembled again a resolution was proposed in the Toronto council calling for the appointment of a commission to enquire into all the circumstances surrounding this flagrant violation of the Ontario Temperance Act. This put the fat in the fire. In the legislature a demand was made upon the government for an investigation. Government U. F. O. supporters were apparently the principal offenders. From the political standpoint it is natural that the premier desires to protect them. The next move is anxiously looked for.

If members of the legislature, with the ink scarcely dry upon the lieutenant-governor's assent to amendments calculated to insure more strict observance of the O.T.A. flagrantly violate the law within the



BISHOP DOWLING
Roman Catholic Bishop of Hamilton
whose illness is reported.

Hon. Peter Smith's budget speech in the legislature does not mention tax changes.

Another killing occurred in the foreign colony at Welland.

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