

**PUBLIC FORUM**

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 by the "vociferous" authors of two letters to the editor, and rather amused him the most.  
 Now Student is of course aware of the expression "drunk and deaf" derived in part from the Latin Vox vocis, a voice, and is more than apt to apply the term to the voices heard by the ear rather than to a written protest of one who writes and another reads. In a casual review of their letters will show that they are really the examples of the "drunk and deaf" and even understatement. Student, nevertheless, describes the "drunk and deaf" as "drunk and deaf" and endeavors to show that the logic contained in them is so irritating and amusing, "ing," for he goes on to show that easily available liquor at the government liquor stores is the temptation to the public, especially the younger generation, to patronize the bootlegger. According to this viewpoint then, a decent government liquor store ought to serve as a protector to the younger generation in any decent community. But if this is really true, why, we may ask Student, did the students of P.W.C., a year or more ago, send a letter to the press strongly protesting the proposed establishment of a government liquor store in the vicinity of Montgomery Hall?

Student now proceeds to what he gives us in understanding is his main objective, namely, to castigate the older generation when he continually criticizes the younger one, which Student refers to as "the lost generation." He continues apparently in trying to express his own, namely, "the guardians of the lost generation," and he says, "It is high time that the guardians of the lost generation began to look after their own generation; for it is someone of this generation that one so often sees on our streets, and it is mostly between 18 and 21 years of age." But before I answer this question, I must, since Student is a stickler on logic, take issue with him on that expression "the guardians of the lost generation," for there is about as much logic in the expression as there is in the following epithet written on a tombstone in an Irish cemetery: "Here lies Faddy Whack; lost at sea, and never came back."

And now in respect to the question that Student asks, it is only right to admit that one seldom, if ever, sees one of the younger generation between the ages of 18 and 21 years drunk on our streets; but right here I may point out the sad fact that all the elder drinkers over the scene of a drunken man on the street. So Young Student, beware! And let me beg of you to read 1 Corinthians, Chapter 10, Verse 12.

But then again, while we speak of those delightful days between the ages of 18 and 21 years, we are painfully reminded by Student that the present younger generation has its own problem; the most prodigious and painful being that of combating the "thick-headed, illogical, prudish, and narrow-minded thinking" of their elders. Here is one subject, at least, on which all we elders can sympathize with Student and all the younger generation, for we elders had the same problem in our teen and early twenties ages, that is to say, we of the latter Victorian ages had it, and I have good reason to believe that the middle and early Victorian ages had it too; in short, the problem of bringing up father and mother, and we have good reason to believe that the young generation succeeding the present one will have this very same problem; and who then will be the thick-headed, illogical, prudish and narrow-minded fathers and mothers? — If indeed, such a generation will exist. Ah! then, it will be a case of Father knows best.

And now before closing my letter I must, I feel, make a few remarks on Student's assertion that there is no such thing as a drunken man to be seen on a street in Europe, unless indeed it happens to be an islander and this notwithstanding the fact that Europe has all sorts of unrestricted outlets for the sale of intoxicating drinks. Here I must say Student has the advantage of me, for I never went to Europe, except in fancy. But if I ever find myself solitary, and unknown to all, and of a sudden see what I clearly discern to be a drunken man on the opposite side of the street that I am on, just fancy if you can how swiftly I will react to what that man is, and without a word of introduction or explanation, extend to him the glad hand, and exclaim — "What part of the island did you come from?"

YOUTH AND ALCOHOL.  
 Sir,—Having read in the paper about the Government wanting to change the law to more outlets, there are surely more than we need and it has convinced me more than ever when I read the letter from the Student. I too am a young man but I have not the same opinion as the Student. I respect my elders as the Bible teaches us to do. The only people one can't wrong is old alcohol—"It is evil" in the States where alcohol used to be sold as a drug, the doctors have put a ban on it completely and is not supposed to be sold now as it is considered more of

a hindrance than a drug. In Britain the percentage has gone up and they have more "walking drunks" than ever before. It is not only the older person but the young are drinking also. Who is to blame when there are so many accidents a day deaths on P.E.I. due to drunken driving: Is it water they drink that makes them drunk? Oh No, it is something much stronger and deadlier. Alcohol has always been a curse. There are many alcoholics needing help today and each year Canada is producing thousands of alcoholics. Instead of wasting money on more outlets why not build a rehabilitation plant for the alcoholics? P.E.I. was called the "Garden of the Gulf." Now it could be called the "Garden of Alcohol."  
 Some young people think they have to drink to be a good fellow. Well that is not so. Our Island was looked on at one time as a beautiful place. It still is!

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**NATO Nuclear Force Down For May Talks**

By DAVE McINTOSH  
 OTTAWA (CP)—Creation of a multinational NATO tactical nuclear force in Europe, with possible Canadian participation, will be discussed at the NATO ministerial meeting here May 22-24. Informants say.  
 The NATO nations now are talking over informally what types of tactical nuclear weapons might be included in such a force. One type mentioned is the RCAP CF-104 low-level jet bomber, now being delivered to the eight-squadron RCAP air division in Europe.  
 Widepread publicity has been given current NATO discussions on possible formation of a multinational NATO strategic nuclear force equipped with American long-range Polaris missiles. But little attention so far has been paid to the concurrent problem of creation of a NATO tactical nuclear force.  
 A NATO seaboard strategic force would be capable of firing long-range nuclear rockets at Russia. A NATO tactical force, however, would be limited to range and would not be able to reach targets in Russia. Its targets would be in Communist satellite countries in Europe.  
 Informants said it is unlikely Canada would participate in this force, though it conceivably could help man ships of the seaboard force. Any Canadian participation probably would be confined to a NATO tactical nuclear force.  
 United States attempts to form a NATO strategic nuclear force appear to have two main objects: Emphasis on the concept of an Atlantic community; and to give West Germany a larger voice in the nuclear weapons field to prevent it from becoming an independent nuclear force. In other words, the main advantages would be political and not military.  
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**CBC Official Is Retiring**  
 OTTAWA (CP)—Retirement of Lt-Col. Rme P. Landry as vice-president and assistant to the president of the CBC was announced Wednesday by the publicly-owned corporation. He will continue to serve as a part-time consultant for the CBC.  
 Col. Landry, one of the pioneers of the CBC, reached the retirement age of 65 Feb. 28. He was appointed a vice-president in 1960, capping a distinguished 30-year career in public broadcasting.  
 He began his broadcasting career in 1933 as bilingual secretary of the Canadian Radio Broadcasting Commission, becoming a CBC executive when the corporation was created in 1938. He successively occupied the posts of director of personnel and administration, director of Quebec region, controller of administration, and then vice-president.

**PLAN REVISION**  
 QUEBEC (CP)—The National Federation of Canadian University Students said Wednesday a special committee will completely revise the first French-language issue of the new student periodical Campus-Canada. The periodical, published last week, has been criticized in Quebec student circles because of its allegedly poor French. The NFCUS statement said the 1,000 copies of the first issue will be reprinted after the revision has been completed.

**CAME FROM ARABIA**  
 Arabic has given many words to English, among them shah, bet, from shahar, and mask from maskharah — meaning buffoonery.



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