

# Convenience parking 'impractical' here says Chief

By RON STEWART  
 Campus parking has become a recurring annual problem but Mr. C. F. Williamson, Chief of Security, indicated that parking could be made much easier if the problems involved were clearly understood. In an interview with The Brunswickan, Williamson pointed out that most of the parking difficulty arises from a shortage of available parking space coupled with too many people trying to park in the same lot. He suggested that more people realize the impracticality of convenience parking here at UNB. The campus just wasn't designed with the huge parking load in mind.

Williamson added that people are going to soon tire of facing the parking problems that they have created for themselves by always trying to park in the middle of the campus. The more distant lots are not being used as well as they could be.

"People must learn to do a little walking and save a lot of problems. Students and faculty alike should

learn to park the car and leave it there. But dependence on the automobile has risen to such a height that drivers are even driving from the library to the bookstore."

Bookstore parking is admittedly restricted. More space is being sought in the immediate area off the roadway. Williamson warns that in the near future there will be no parking on the campus roadways unless otherwise posted. The bottleneck at the bank-bookstore area is a hazard that is about to be remedied.

The changes planned for the parking regulations on campus will be largely carried out at registration time. Each year registration is conducted for the purpose of allotting a sticker to each of the registering cars. This sticker gives the driver the right to drive his vehicle on the campus and park it where permitted. It is not specifically right to park in a lot. The sticker authorizes you to have the car on campus. Following registration, no car without a

sticker will be permitted on campus except in the case of visitors not regularly coming to the university. The registration fee is \$2.00 payable at registration.

Registration for parking will take place in the week of Oct. 22-26. The new system will be in effect after approximately Oct. 26. However, extensive advertising will denote the time, when it has been determined, so there will be plenty of advance warning about registration.

People currently holding temporary parking permits that have expired or are about to expire have been given an extension by the security department until registration.

Students should realize that freshmen are not being permitted to park on campus but will instead

be allowed to park at the rink. Exceptions will be made for freshmen who must park on campus in special cases (such as physical disabilities, for example). The university ploughs the rink out in the winter so students using it shouldn't have any problems with winter parking there.

The information campaign materials have been produced and are ready for distribution pending settlement of a registration date. A map of parking areas colour-coded according to use will be available to anyone desiring it. On the reverse side of the map will be the various parking and driving regulations for the campus.

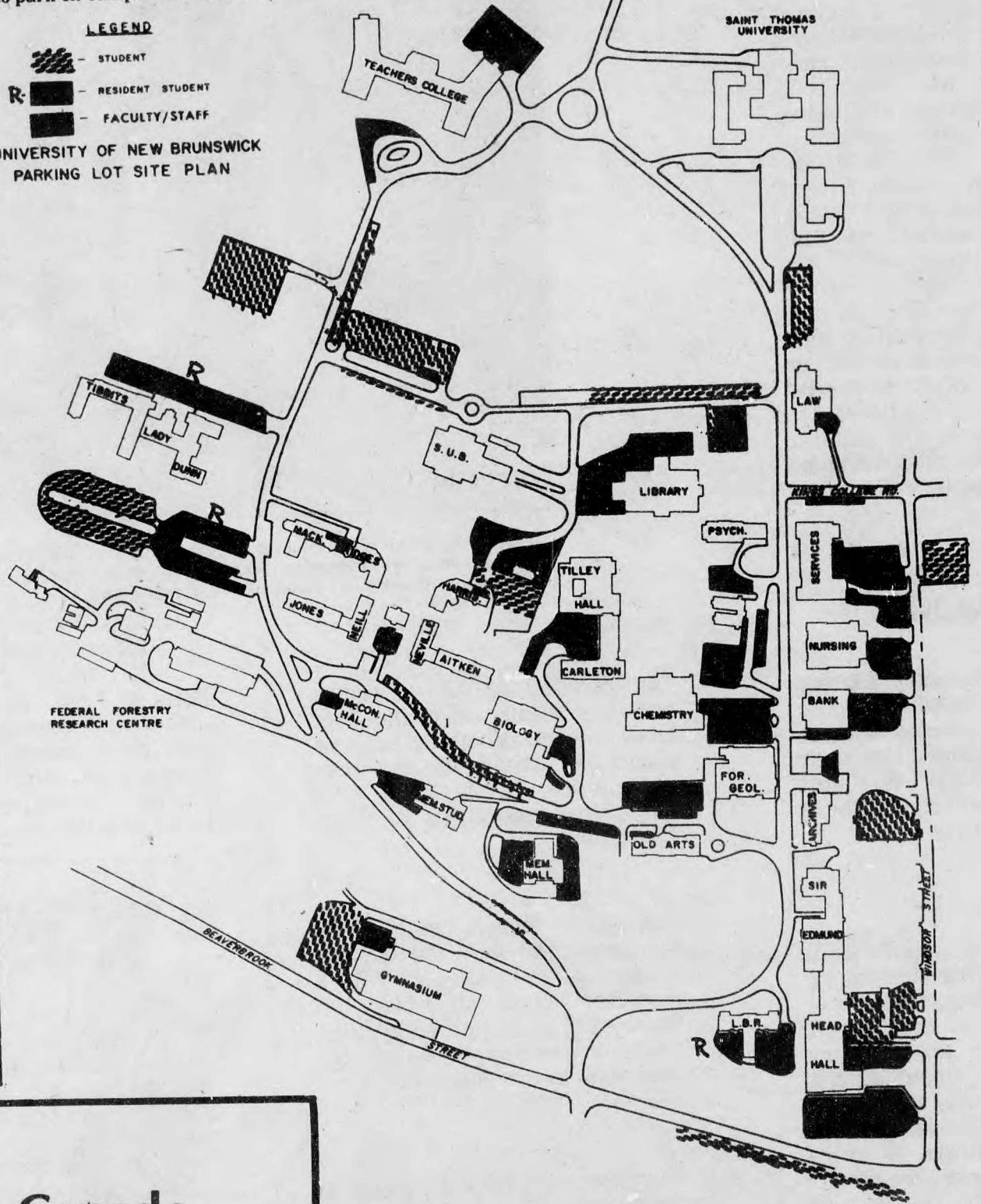
None of the parking regulations have been arbitrarily assigned. From January to May of 1973, a senate committee including fac-

ulty and students discussed the problems involved. The solutions they found will be evident in this year's parking.

Each applicant for registration of a motor vehicle will be required to have proof of registration with them as they report in person for their sticker. This way only legitimate applications will be received.

The registration form is especially important this year. Some of the requested information will appear irrelevant but a computer study is being formulated to attempt to control parking and traffic difficulties on campus, as well as look for the best solutions under the circumstances. For this reason, detailed information that is accurate is important.

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