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Tow-aways said not legal

By TOM EVANS

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Chief of Security Charles Williamson recently stated that new parking regula-

tions allow UNB Security personnel to tow away any vehicle on campus that is illegally or dangerously parked.

This towing away of vehicles is possibly illegal and could leave the person who tows the vehicle away and the University open to

both criminal prosecution and civil litigation.

The University of New Brunswick property is private property and as students and Faculty we are here on campus as invitees. To change a person's legal position from one of an invitee to that of a

trespasser, the land owner must inform the person of the trespass, only then; it is suggested that the University Security can abate the trespass by towing away the vehicle. There seems to be no statutory authority giving the university any further powers in reference to traffic or parked vehicles that I am aware of.

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An Ontario court of appeal case held that a towing company who unlawfully detained the car of an alleged trespasser would be held liable for the criminal offense of theft; since it was not under a color of right.

It is strongly suggested that the authority of U.N.B. Security to tow vehicles off the campus is highly questionable. If such an event should happen to your vehicle, you should not take it in the ear and pay. It is time the university authority in this regard is questioned.

A recent case in the city of Moncton held that a towing company was liable for damage to student's vehicle which it towed off the University of Moncton. The towing company alleged it was following instructions of the campus security but the court held it had no authority to tow

Appeal procedure 'kangaroo court'

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Editor's note: Tom Evans is a third year law student who, in previous years, was a regular Brunswickan staffer. We feel that, under the circumstances, Mr. Evans is qualified to make the statements he does in the following article and hence the first-person writing style.

Campus Security Chief Charles Williamson compares the traffic ticket appeal procedure here on campus to a "kangaroo court".

The other day a fellow Law Student had his vehicle ticketed for an alleged parking infraction. He thought this ticket was without any foundation.

He proceeded to the Security Office and inquired about how he could dispute the ticket. He was informed that to appeal a ticket, he should write the chief of security - C.F. Williamson - setting out the objections. This procedure was carried out and he heard nothing. Upon further inquiring he



Chief Williamson

was informed that his appeal had been dismissed.

He then asked the Chief of

Security to allow him to speak on his own behalf. The chief said the matter had been disposed of and there was no need to hear a verbal explanation.

Chief Williamson was contacted last Tuesday and he stated that the appeal procedure for traffic tickets at UNB was similar to a kangaroo court. He further stated that he accepts written appeals only and after reading the appeal, if there are any questions he speaks to the security officer who issued the ticket and settles the matter.

The chief suggested that even though the appeal procedure for traffic tickets might not be fair to all concerned it was the system and a part of his job and he has no intention of giving it up.

In my opinion, this appeal procedure is void of all sense of justice or equity. To be investigated, trial and convicted by the same people is totally repugnant to a civilized society, especially in an enlightened University setting.

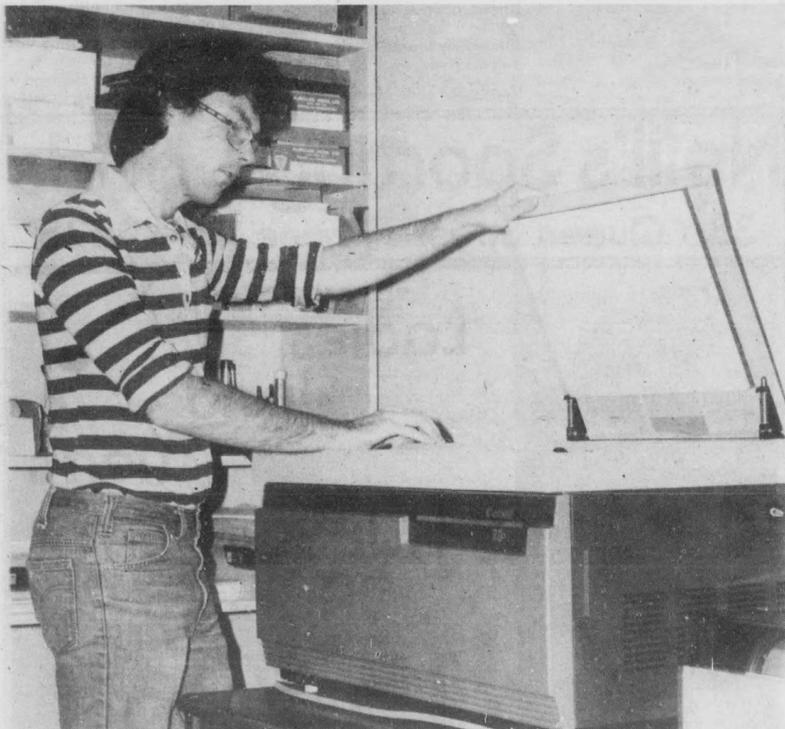
Equinox censored

SAINT JOHN - Equinox, the Student Publication of UNB Saint John, has come under the censor's scissors. The October 9 edition appeared briefly last Friday, but was hurriedly withdrawn after an angry protest by J. Fenwick Ross, the city's Chief of Police. Mr. Ross was prepared to sue if the paper was not recalled.

The offending article, written by student Chris Pringle, dealt with the alleged personal interven-

tion by the chief into SRC attempts to get liquor licences for student social events, especially the frosh pub. Some of those students who were able to latch onto a copy of the paper before its suppression, say the author may have gone too far by making the chief's daughter, also a student, part of the issue.

The story has been cut from page three of all remaining papers, which will be redistributed.



John Hamilton uses the SRC's new \$6,000 Canon photocopier

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Page 3 of the Equinox's October 9 edition

The screenshot shows a page titled "SRC FILE" with a date of "October 12, 1979". It features a pie chart with the following data:

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SRC OPERATING	22.8%
OTHER	53.2%

Below the chart, there are sections for "Elections" and "SRC OPERATING".