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Drivers are constantly bombarded with press releases and statistics of their inability to drive. The current fad is to urge Defensive Driving methods on everyone. Sadly missing are any definite methods for accomplishing a defensive driving position. One man by his own initiative has laid down such a method.

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Harold L. Smith has been a driver instructor for the last twenty-three years. Based on his own observations and experiences he has compiled a five point program for driving defensively. No man could be better suited to set up such a program. He has completed two million miles without an accident plus nineteen cross country runs through the United States. His no-accident record is definitely not due to good luck

Smith's whole theory revolves around preserving a space cushion between his car and other objects. Objects include parked cars, pedestrians and blind spots. This space cushion prevents

contact with objects that comprise or cause accidents. Smith's Space Cushion is accomplished in the following steps, which, used together, cause a driver to be aware of what is going

on around him at least a half mile ahead. Step one is to "Aim high in steering". When walking, one usually looks above twenty-five feet ahead and when driving an automobile 25-30 mph, you must have a steering path picked out several hundred feet ahead. As speed increases, the eyes must

range farther ahead.

Step two is to "Get the big picture". Three car-lengths is the minimum distance in which you can stop to avoid an accident. The six car-length minimum recommended in the Smith "big picture" is designed to let the driver ignore the vehicle directly ahead and maintain an eye lead time of eight to twelve seconds at

Step three is to "Keep your eyes moving". Keep eyes roving over entire driving situation ahead, checking rear view mirror every five to eight seconds.

Step four is really important; you must "leave yourself an out" to be successful as a defensive driver. Concentrate on what avoiding manoeuver is possible even for improbable was missing seven of their first contingencies. Harold L. Smith explains this rule by warning

"Never let your wheels get ahead of your eyes."

The final step is to "Make sure they see you". Use all tools of communication available to you: horns, lights, etc., to inform drivers and pedestrians around you of your intentions.

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Using these steps will not ensure anyone of going two million through the uprights for three less without an accident. It will definitely simple the property of the prop miles without an accident. It will definitely give the driver a better chance if he combines these steps with a constant think

Constant Think, is nothing short of being totally aware of what happens around you as a driver. By using constant think

drivers will do a better job of guiding an automobile safely.

In the despairing sea of meaningless facts, figures, and appalling statistics, Harold L. Smith's relevant approach to driving in a Space Cushion encourages optimism. Hopefully more and more men of Smith's character will step forward with their practical theories and programs. Maybe then the government bureaucrat will get serious about driver education.

Accidents are caused by ignorance, safe drivers are purely accidental due to men of experience such as Harold L. Smith.

## **HEALTH SERVICES**

administration has undertaken the direction of Miss Lillian to improve medical services to Capp, RN and Mrs. - G. UNB students by bringing medical personnel to the campus. The acting president Dr. J.O. Dineen has announced the appointments of Dr. E. Jamieson as Director of Student Health Services.

The facilities of the Men's Infirmary will serve as office facilities for three Fredericton physicians - Drs. E. Jamieson, R. Myers and S. Grant who will conduct office hours on a part-time basis. There services are available to all students registered at the university regardless of campus or off-campus residency. The office hours will be Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings and appointments can be made by calling 454-5045.

Students who require hospitilization for illness or injury will be kept in the Men's Infirmary or Lady Dunn Hall Infirmary when possible, otherwise the facilities of Victoria Public Hospital will be

The university used. The infirmaries are under Mackenzie, RN. The emergency department of Victoria Public Hospital will continue to serve the students. in case of emergency.

The students are under no obligation to take advantage of the campus Medical service but may attend any Fredericton

doctor of their choice. The university students at the present time are not covered by a comprehensive medical care plan. The existing Blue Cross program covers students for surgery, medical services for traumatic injuries, in-hospital physician services limited diagnostic and laboratory services up to \$25.00 in any 12 months, physiotherapy up to \$75.00 per year, and dental care for traumatic injuries.

The Medical services for contract Varsity sports will continue to be provided by Dr. B.L. Jewett in co-operation with the three physicians of the Student Health Services

## Redsticks First Again

Last weekend the UNB possession of first place in Maritime Intercollegiate Field Hockey play.

Friday UNB defeated Mt. A 1-0 in a game marred by the injury of Centre-forward Karen Lee late in the first period.

SATURDAY

Saturday the team travelled on to Antigonish to play Mount St. Bernard. This was a key game as earlier this month the MSB team had tied the Redsticks. The Redsticks in their first display of real teamwork pushed home three goals to win 3-0.

IRON MEN LOSE TO X

The UNB Ironmen were defeated in an exhibition game with St. F.X. by a score of 10-8 last Saturday at

Despite the fact that UNB string players, three injured and four all-stars, it was an even contest.

Bill Fell opened UNB's points. Clark Fitzgerald later in the game burst through the X defenders for a try which he coverted.

Bill Fell was injured late in the first half as four X-men caught up to him as he was about to dive over for a touchdown. (In lieu of flowers send contributions to the UNB Rugby Club Travel Fund.) As there are no substitutions in rugby, UNB played one man short for most of the game. UNB was unable to overcome this handicap, despite the fine play of Terry Blagueire, Greg Shanks and Perry Kennedy.

The Ironmen will be engaged in playoffs this Saturday as they meet the Saint John Trojans in Saint

Scorers for UNB were Redsticks regained sole Coreen Flemming with 2 goals, (one in each game) and Mary Sedgewick and Mary Moseychuck.

Player of the week was team

co-captain Coreen Flemming. Friday at 4:30 the Redsticks face the UNB Unicorns - led by UNB's own Professor Burt.

INTER-CLASS FOOTBALL LEAGUE -Team standings, Oct. 21, 1969

Team	Games Played	Won	Lost	Defaults		Points Against	
STU Green	3	3	-0	0	19	0	6
STU Gold	3	2	1	0	26	14	4
Biology	3	2	1	0	20	25	4
Phys. Ed.	3	1	2	2	2	0	2
Arts 3	3	1	2	0	12	32	2
Forestry	3	0	3	1	0	8	0





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