

## Local Men Promoted At Chevy

Two Farmington men were recently named to key positions in a major reorganization of Chevrolet's advertising and new truck and fleet sales departments.

R. Lee Courtney, 38137 Old Homestead Dr., was promoted from manager of used fleet vehicles to manager of the company's fleet field operations for trucks.

Ronald Timmington, 36617 Lansbury Lane, moved from the position of administrator of advertising media to assistant advertising manager.

In the reorganization, H.J. ("Pete") Cordes, 30692 West 14 Mile, West Bloomfield, was promoted from assistant manager to advertising manager for passenger cars.

Carl O. Uren of 31262 Cline Dr., Birmingham, also moved from manager to director of national advertising.

**Long Service To Parks Ends**

Only one person has completed over 29 years of service with the Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority. He is P.K. McWehly, secretary to the Board of Commissioners, who started as a member of the engineering staff on March 9, 1942. He was appointed secretary on March 11, 1946 and will retire Dec. 31, 1971.

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**3 Patrolmen Take Course**

EAST LANSING

Patrolmen William Hoelt, Farmington Township Police Department; Richard Blazo, Redford Township Police Department; and Jesse Bartlett, Livonia Police Department, have just completed a concentrated course in modern methods and techniques of investigating motor vehicle accidents at Michigan State University.

They received a broad overview of traffic accident investigation and its relative importance to accident prevention with about 45 other Michigan municipal and county police officers.

This Accident Investigation Course was taught in The Kollong Center for Continuing Education by MSU faculty and experienced police officers.

# DNR Hopes To Save Porcupine Wilderness

Department of Natural Resources parks specialists have unveiled a proposed plan of management policies and zoning which, through public use controls, is designed to preserve wilderness values of Porcupine Mountains State Park in Gogebic and Ontonagon counties in the western upper peninsula.

The plan, submitted to the Natural Resources Commission for review, features refinements from an in-depth, broad-based study called for by the Commission last December. Its recommendations stem from the input of four state universities and 14 organizations which played major roles in inventing natural features and wilderness values within the 58,000-acre park.

Free copies of the DNR's plan are available to interested citizens from the Department's Parks Division Office in Lansing.

THE PLAN, scheduled for formal action by the commission at its Jan. 13-14 meeting in Lansing, zones the park into four areas and sets down use limitations in line with each unit's special values.

It reflects the fact that the park, with about 300,000 visitors annually, has reached the point for controlling public use to save its unique wilderness setting.

To that end, the DNR's recommendations indicate that the time may be near for establishing a permit system which would limit use within the plan's proposed wilderness zones.

Under a major measure to regulate traffic and public use, the DNR also recommends action to seek jurisdiction over the South Boundary Road, State Highway M-107 west of that road, and Gogebic County Road 59 which cut through or border the park's present boundaries.

It also sees the need to acquire about 3,500 acres of private and federal lands below South Boundary Road in the western sector of the park to meet long-range needs.

Those holdings, recommended as gradual additions to the park, are required to provide a buffer strip for scenic features along South Boundary Road and to serve plans for suitable satellite development bordering the park's wilderness heartland.

THE DNR favors renaming the 58,000-acre area as the Porcupine Mountains Wilderness State Park. The new name, say DNR specialists, would give greater identification to the park's

outstanding features and classic natural character.

The DNR would "strenuously" oppose mineral exploitation anywhere within the park, a threat which it and conservationists fought down in the late 1950s.

Getting down to specific areas, the DNR's proposed plan delineates four zones of management — wilderness, wilderness study, scenic sites, and intensive use.

The first three lie within the park's 45,200-acre area which has been designated as a nature reservation and, under the recommended plan, they carry maximum restrictions to uphold their concept of wilderness protection.

WITHIN THE "wilderness zone," covering 35,600 acres, the DNR would prohibit timber-cutting and other man-made changes to the natural cover.

It would also ban snowmobiles, trail bikes, and other motorized equipment, and phase out cabins and shelters because they, too, conflict with the wilderness bearing of this zone. To preserve the zone's pristine setting, people using this zone would be required to carry out all non-burnable waste materials which they take into the area.

The second proposed unit, the "wilderness study zone" covering about 5,300 acres, would be departmentalized into three separate study areas where use would be exclusively restricted to research work — botanical, biological, geological, etc.

Within this "super-wilderness zone," no foot trails or overnight camping would be permitted under any circumstances.

The scenic site zone "would embrace about 2,050 acres at four areas—Presque Isle River, the Escarpment, Summit Peak, and Union Spring. The first two sites are already highly popular with visitors, while the Summit Peak area is basically undeveloped for public use. The

**Theater Parents Organize**

An organization known as the Theater Parents for Clarencville is forming now to assist the district's dramatic departments and to raise money for drama groups.

The group has received school board recognition to use the auditorium and other school facilities as a school-related group.

Union Spring site is new under the DNR's plan and features Michigan's second largest natural spring.

Snowmobiles would be allowed within these scenic sites but, as in the case of all motorized vehicles, they could be operated only on designated roads. Overnight camping would also be off limits in this zone.

The DNR plans to develop access roads, parking areas, foot trails and interpretive units in the scenic sites, but these facilities would be located to blend in with the natural spectacle of each area.

The plan's fourth and final

unit, the "intensive use zone," includes some 20,000 acres and lies east of the park's legislative boundary. It covers that portion of the park where developments have already been made to accommodate campers, picnickers, fishermen, swimmers, skiers, and other recreationists.

Within this zone, the DNR recommends developing additional facilities for these recreationists. Under its proposed plan, snowmobiling would be allowed in this zone, and a boat launching facility, combined with a harbor of refuge, would be developed on a modest scale along the west shores of Union Bay.



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