

## Veteran Postal Employee Retires

Charles A. McCarnan, 68, of Royal Oak, was honored last Thursday at his retirement by fellow-workers at Birmingham Post Office Dept. A Federal employee for 27 years, McCarnan has been at the Post Office for seven years. He was an air mail specialist on out-going mail. Prior to coming to Birmingham he worked for the U.S. Army Ordnance Dept. Postmaster Rollie Reese presented "Air-Mail Mac" with a \$100 savings bond.

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## Accident Toll on Rise In B'ham, Report Shows

The Birmingham Police Department's accident report for the first seven months of 1963 shows a substantial increase in traffic deaths, injuries and property damages cases over the same period last year.

Police Chief Ralph W. Moxley said that to try and bend the accident curve down he had instructed his men to step up the enforcement against right of way violations which accounted for 147 accidents so far this year.

"The officers have also been instructed to increase enforcement against speeders both on residential and through streets, because speeding is either the direct or indirect cause of many other types of accidents," Moxley said.

HE STRESSED speeding always increases the severity of an accident of any type.

A "following too closely" violation has been present in 102 accidents this year according to the report.

"This violation often indicates speeding, driving too fast for existing conditions or inattention on the part of the driver," Moxley said.

Moxley cautioned each driver to pay strict attention to his driving responsibilities every second his vehicle is moving.

"AT 30 MPH a vehicle is moving 44 feet per second," Moxley said. "Just one second of inattention can easily result in a serious accident that could have been prevented by normal driving alertness."

"This alertness will pay off by giving the driver time to prevent being involved in an accident by driving defensively."

"When driving, stay alert and stay alive," Moxley said.

## Local Women Attend Conference in Ohio

Two local women will be among some 2,000 participants in a series of leadership training conferences being sponsored by the National Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs.

Madeline Wick, president, and Mrs. Alfred Higgins, vice president of the Birmingham club, will be attending the conference scheduled for Aug. 23 through 25 at the Statler Hilton in Cleveland, O.

"Achieve through Leadership" is the theme of the conference which will be chaired by National Federation vice president Sarah Jane Cunningham.

MISS CUNNINGHAM is a lawyer from McCook, Neb., who served last year as legislation chairman.

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Population explosion? Michigan colleges and universities are experiencing an enrollment explosion that will double our campus population by 1975.

In this way, leadership training will be opened up to women in communities across the country.

The national organization is a federation of 3,532 clubs throughout the United States, District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands.

The series of 12 conferences will implement the federation's 1963-64 program theme—"The Responsibility of Full Partnership" in the business and professional world.

IN ADDITION to enabling officers of the 170,000-member federation to increase their effectiveness as leaders in their careers and in federation activities, the group expects that the national conferences

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## State's New Highways Reduce Accident Rates

State Highway Commissioner John C. Mackie said recently that investments in Michigan's new highways are returning significant benefits to motorists through reduced accident rates.

According to Mackie, the most dramatic statistics on lives saved are revealed in comparisons of new freeways with the old highways, and when high-accident areas are modernized.

"One study of 39 different sections of new versus old roads shows a whopping 73 per cent reduction in traffic deaths on new freeways over the old highways they replaced," Mackie said.

"This means roughly that out of every four persons who were killed on the inadequate old highways, three would have been living if they had had the new freeways in time."

MACKIE EMPHASIZED that the dramatic comparisons are not confined to freeways.

"In 1961, for example, three intersections on US-10 in Oakland County were modernized and accidents were reduced 22 per cent in the first year," he said.

Mackie said the Highway Department spends more than a million dollars a year for specific traffic safety improvements on existing highways.

"This expenditure pays off immediately in injuries prevented and lives saved. When people talk about safety, they should know that their highway dollars are buying traffic safety every day," Mackie said.

THE COMMISSIONER expressed the need for better roads and warned that the death and injury toll in Michigan will be many times more shocking if highway improvements are slowed down for any reason.

"Michigan needs more State Police and more emphasis on traffic safety programs at every level of government."

"These needs should be financed out of general fund revenues because they arise out of the increase in population and the consequent increase in traffic."

"It's not the highway program which creates the need for more State Police, even though these State Police will, of course, be patrolling highways. It's the sharp increase in both overall population and in the number of drivers," Mackie said.

## 1,500 Adults Will Receive 4-H Honors

Virtually every county in Michigan has among its residents scores of men and women who spent part of their youth working on 4-H Club projects.

Some live on farms, others in small towns or cities. Yet all have a common bond: they grew up in the 4-H tradition of service to others, and "learned by doing" skills that they find useful today.

There are more than 23 million 4-H alumni in the 50 states, according to the Cooperative Extension Service. Many have continued to advance 4-H in various ways. Their earnest support does not go unnoticed.

THE COUNTY has an opportunity to honor two former 4-H'ers for giving a helping hand to the local club program or for working in the best interest of the community, state and nation. This year some 1,500 men and women representing nearly every state are expected to receive such recognition. Nominated by friends and neighbors, the finalists are selected by the Extension Service.

In addition, up to four men and women in the state will be named for the 1963 state plaque award. Nationally, eight persons will be cited for the 4-H alumni key award which carries with it a trip to the National 4-H Club Congress in Chicago.

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## YWCA Offers 3-Day Camp-Out

A Labor Day weekend vacation for families with small children is offered by the YWCA of metropolitan Detroit at the YWCA Camp Cavell on Lake Huron, beginning with the evening meal on Friday, Aug. 30, and ending following the noon meal Mon., Sept. 2.

Child care is included with meals and lodging in the YWCA's Family Camp package plan which offers activities for all age groups—swimming, badminton, horseshoe, riding, tennis, volleyball, archery and crafts.

Special activities—golf, fishing, boat trips—will be available at small additional fees.

EACH FAMILY will live in a cabin of its own, and have meals in the dining lodge with other campers. The modern facilities of Camp Cavell include electricity, closet space, and metal cots with mattresses in each cabin, and all cabins are conveniently near indoor toilet facilities and hot water showers.

Cost of the family camp weekend is \$17.50 for each adult and child nine years old and over; \$12.50 for each child through eight years old; and \$6.50 for each child under four years of age.

Registration for family camp may be made at the Camp Cavell office, YWCA, 2230 Witherell, Detroit.

## Civil Service Jobs Available in County

Joseph A. Connor, director, Chicago Region, U. S. Civil Service Commission, has announced applications are now being accepted until Sept. 17, for accounting and auditing clerk positions for duty with various Federal agencies in Oakland, Wayne and Macomb counties. These positions start at \$4110 a year.

All applications must pass a written test. In addition, appropriate experience, or substitutable education is required.

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