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A/UX: How To Edit the /etc/passwd File (6/93)

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TOPIC -----

When I try to use the vi editor to edit the "/etc/passwd" file, I get a message that the file is in use.

DISCUSSION -----

If no one is currently editing the /etc/passwd file, delete the "/etc/ptmp" file. When this file exists, the "/etc/passwd" file cannot be edited because the "/etc/ptmp" file places a lock on the "/etc/passwd" file.

If someone else is editing the /etc/passwd file, wait until they are done. Do not remove /etc/ptmp file in this case.

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