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By AL WARNER, Ma SOME OF THE THINGS you don't see when you look at your telephone are the facilities behind it which make your service the finest there is. Ten years ago, for example, Michigan Bell's investment in buildings, poles, cables and so on to link your phone with other ground to 6 277 central study.

in buildings, pores, causes and so not in his you mode with others amounted to \$247 per telephone. Now it's more than \$330. Last year alone we spent more than \$85 million to install new telephones, replace wornout equipment and improve service. This money was spent in every city, town and village where we do business-to make your telephone serve you better.

AS CHANGEABLE AS THE WEATHER, Our



Weatherphone on the big Yellow Pages sign atop our Oakman Blvd. building, is one of the few things as changeable as the weather. This giant "telephone", which stands in cleephone", which stands in the yellow Pages are view of northbound traffic on the John Lodge Expressway, changes color after dark according to weather predictions. Here's what the colors mean:

ons. Here's what the colors mean:
When our phone is glowing red
There's a warmer day ahead.
When you see our phone is blue
Cooler weather's bound for you.
Yellow means no change at all—
Blinking, rain or snow will fall.

HERE'S A GOOD example of how an apparently small change in your Telephone Company's way of doing things results in better service. Overhead phone cables used to be supported by a strong wire strung above them. Not any more. Now, in many care, a cable

in many cases a cable-wrapping machine winds the wire around the phone cable. It saves time, and cables last longer. Just one of the many ways Michigan Bell is furnishing bet-ter telephone service—and keeping down costs.



BUSINESS NEWS



Plan New Bank

Discussing plans for the new "Metropolitan Bank" to be built in Farmington are Farmington area; Hazen Carroll of Birming-four local investors. From left, Ed Empry, ham, manufacturer; and Henry M. Hogan, of Birmingham, local attorney; Thomas A. Jr., associate publisher of The Birmingham Duke, of Farmington Township, builder and Eccentric.

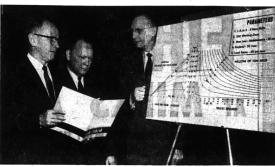


Chart Truck Study

Discussing results of a GMC Truck and Coach division in-depth study of the contour truck transportation are from left Township, general truck sales mannomies of truck transportation are from left Township, vice president of GM and general manager of the division; Richard

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The Birmingham Real Estate Board will hold its first meeting of the new year 12 Noon next Thursday at the Bir ming ham Country Club.

Dr. Thomas G. Gies, professor of finance, University of Michigan will be the guest speaker. Dr. Gies will give in ivess on the international manual scenes in a "Forecast for 1962."

Ehrlich Promoted

The promotion of Wallace J. Ehrlich to account supervisor has been announced by Fred J. Hatch, senior vice president of MacMannus, John & Adams, Inc. Ehrlich joined the agency in 1955 and has been account executive in the Bromnfeel Hills offices of the agency.

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Royal Oak Offers Winter Classes **Signed to teach all phases of the theatre. Properties of the theatr For Adult Ed

The Continuing Education Department of the Royal Oak Schools will begin its winter classes to might. the Classes will be found in the art of chair can craft. Starting tonight at 7 m, at Kellar Junior High, 1615 Campbell Road and 12 Mile, the class ilmited to the first 12 registrants. In the Company of the

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to 9:30 p.m.

"SPEECH PROBLEMS of Children," taught by Miss Sybil Piera"a. will be a ten-week course starting tonight at Keller Julior High.
Classes are from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.
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seminar will be offered at Kimball
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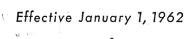
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