

B'ham Shared in Development Of New Metro Phone Service

Birmingham and three other communities served as the testing grounds for a new type of metropolitan area telephone service which extends the calling area without hiking the charge.

Known as Metro-Calling, the optional service will become available to residential customers throughout the suburban area beginning Oct. 1, Michigan Bell Telephone Co. announced last week.

Along with Birmingham, the other three communities where experimental versions of the plan were first tested were Southfield, Farmington and Plymouth.

THE SERVICE BEGAN July 10 in Detroit and 18 nearby suburbs that have Detroit service. Here is how the service works:

For a one-cent monthly rate of \$10.95, Metro-Calling enables subscribers to dial as many calls as they wish throughout the metropolitan area during specified time periods without additional charges.

The service is in effect from 6 a. m. to 9 a. m. on Monday through Saturday, all day Sundays, and three holidays—Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's. Michigan Bell said it is spending work on necessary equipment changes to make it possible to

provide Metro-Calling to customers outside the Detroit service area by the Oct. 1 date.

INCLUDED IN THE 1,500-square-mile metropolitan area, located generally within a 25-mile radius of downtown Detroit, are more than 80 communities and about half the phones—1.7 million—in Michigan.

Metro-Calling also includes a private line and unlimited calling privileges within each subscriber's local calling area. The usual charges apply for additional telephone services, such as extensions.

Within the city of Detroit, the service also became effective in Allen Park, Dearborn, Dearborn Township, Ecorse, the five Grosse Pointe communities, Hamtramck, Harper Woods, Highland Park, Lincoln Park, Melvindale, Roffford Township, River Rouge, and in portions of Inkster and Taylor Township.

TWO OF THE MOST distant points included in the Metro-Calling area are Drayton Plains and Rockwood, approximately 45 miles apart. Other distant communities are: Rockwood-Rochester, 44 miles; Flat Rock-Mount Clemens, 39 miles; and Roseville-Belleville, 35 miles.

The area covered by the new metropolitan phone service extends from north of Mount Clemens, Utica, Rochester, and Pontiac to south of Flat Rock; and from the Detroit River and Lake St. Clair to west of Commerce, Walled Lake, Northville, Plymouth, Wayne, and Belleville.

The communities in the Metro-Calling area are:

- ALLEN PARK, Auburn Heights, Belleville, Berkley, Beverly Hills, Birmingham, Blossford Hills, Bloomfield Township, Center Line, Clawson, Clinton Township, Commerce, Dearborn, Dearborn Township, Detroit, Drayton Plains, East Detroit, Ecorse, Farmington, Ferndale, Flat Rock, Franklin, Fraser, Garden City, Gibraltar, Grosse Ile, Grosse Pointe, Grosse Pointe Farms, Grosse Pointe Park, Grosse Pointe Shores, Grosse Pointe Woods, Hamtramck, Harper Woods, Harrison Township, Hazel Park, Highland Park, Huntington Woods, Inkster, Keego Harbor, Lake Angelus, Lathrup Village, Lincoln Park, Livonia, Madison Heights, Melvindale, Mount Clemens, Nankin Township, New Boston, Northville, Novi, Oak Park, Orchard Lake, Placrosse Ridge, Plymouth, Pontiac, Roffford Township.

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Cranbrook Names Five Directors

Five new members were named to the Cranbrook School board of directors at a recent meeting.

They are: Ronald E. Cross, chairman and chief executive, American Motors Corp., and senior member of the law firm of Cross, Wroek, Miller, Vison and Kelley; Edward S. Cole, vice president, Car and Truck Division, General Motors Corp.; Irving A. Duffy, vice president, General Products Group, Ford Motor Co.; Paxton Mendelssohn, member, board of directors, First of Michigan Corp., and W. Edwin Mosher, Jr., assistant secretary, Stroh Brewery Co.

Officers elected are: Martin S. Hayden, editor, The Detroit News, chairman; Frank E. Chapman, architect, vice-chairman; Alan E. Schwartz, member of the law firm of Honeman, Miller and Schwartz, secretary; and Joe W. Narn, partner in the firm of Ernst and Ernst, treasurer.

Eight Retire From Schools

Seven teachers and one administrator retired this summer with 25 years of experience in Birmingham public schools behind them.

At the top of the list with 41 years is Miss Lydia McCormick, 3219 Albert, Royal Oak.

Not far behind with 39 years are Mrs. Nan Hallock, 1610 Yosemite, Birmingham, and Miss Alfreda Purchase, 656 W. Frank, and Miss Lydia Terrill of Detroit.

Others were Larned Goodrich, 748 Forrest, Birmingham, with 22 years, Mrs. Doris Lance, 3118 Coolidge, Royal Oak, 17 years, Mrs. Florence Newman, 6880 E. Bartmoor, Birmingham, 16 years, and Mrs. Daisy Belle Richards, 2410 Yale Avenue, Royal Oak, 17 years.

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Ice Cool Ice Cream

Youngsters at the Roper Summer Day Camp receive a special summertime treat—homemade ice cream. Laura Lavefer, of 18200 Buckingham, Birmingham, is cranking up (from left) Steven Giffertman, Huntington Woods, and Birmingham residents, Jeffrey Hilberry, 356 Pierce, and Janet Garrity, 17925 Kimross anticipate the cool delight.

CON-CON WEEKLY REPORT

Bolsters Local Government Units

Although existing forms of local government are retained, the proposed Michigan constitution modernizes and broadens their powers to enable them to serve more effectively. Article VII of the new document contains the sections which relate to counties, townships, cities and villages.

Greater strength and flexibility are given to local governments by these provisions:

- Charter counties, cities and villages are granted authority to levy taxes other than property taxes for their support.
- Power to cooperate with other local units of government on common problems.
- Retention of home rule for cities and villages.
- Liberal construction by the courts of law concerning them.
- County officers' terms are to be four years. Township officers may by law have terms of office up to four years.

To PERMIT more effective county government, particularly in metropolitan areas, county home rule is provided for, subject to enabling statutes. Its adoption, modification or repeal will depend on the vote of the electors of the county.

The county home rule proposal evolved from long deliberation both the local government conferees and in the convention. It makes it possible for those counties with specific problems to deal with them effectively, but does so without disturbing unnecessarily the government of other counties in the state.

THE COUNTY home rule provision of the new document follows generally the pattern established by the home rule provisions for cities in the present constitution. Left to the legislature is the responsibility for working out details of charter county organization.

The board of supervisors may initiate a ballot proposal to elect a commission to frame a county charter, or five per cent of the county's electors may petition the board to submit such a proposal to the electorate.

THE PROPOSED constitution increases the limitation on the

power of the county to incur debt from three to ten per cent of its assessed valuation. This permits counties to extend their credit for both the local government conferees and in the convention. It makes it possible for those counties with specific problems to deal with them effectively, but does so without disturbing unnecessarily the government of other counties in the state.

Secondary obligations are incurred by placing the full faith and credit of the county behind bonds of cities and township to enable them to borrow at the lowest possible interest rate for the construction of water and sewer systems and other public works.

A NEW section among the general provisions of the local government articles requires that units empowered to draw budgets may not adopt them until after a public hearing held in such manner as the legislature may prescribe.

In general, the constitutional changes in the area of local government are largely involved with merging and updating the provisions of the 1908 document. Traditional forms are not subject to alteration without the approval of the voters in the local unit affected.

Returns to Air Base After Sea Cruise

James R. Bish, aviation electronics technician second class, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond H. Bish of 904 North Reading Road, Birmingham, returned to Oceana Naval Air Station at Virginia Beach, Va., recently with Fighter Squadron 41.

The squadron spent several weeks about the attack aircraft carrier USS Forrestal while it operated at sea for carrier qualifications.

The all-weather unit flies the F4H McDonnell "Phantom" aircraft, a two-engine supersonic fighter.

Southfield Airman Arrives in France

Airman Third Class Richard L. Elliott of Southfield has arrived at Phalsburg Air Base, France for duty with a United States Air Force in Europe unit.

Airman Elliott, an air policeman, entered the service in June 1961. Son of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence W. Elliott, 17277 Redwood Court, he attended Ferris Institute.

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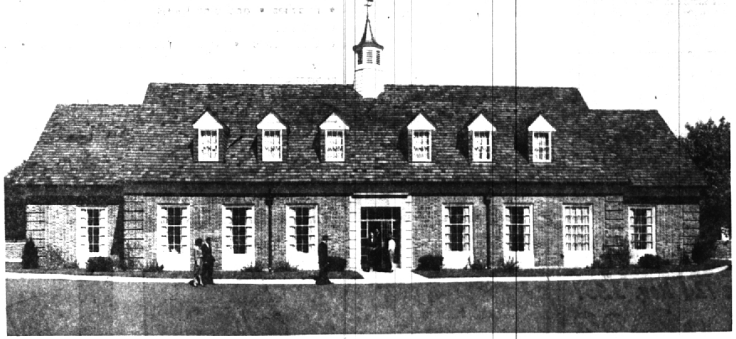
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