

# Business Beat

## New Bell Office Makes Debut

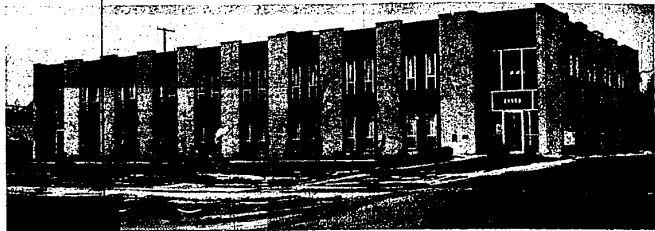
Michigan Bell Telephone Co. will open its new business office at 29550 Five Mile Road on Monday.

The new two-story Livonia district office will help provide additional service for 90,000 Livonia area customers and will house more than 100 commercial and marketing department employees, John Peard, manager for Michigan Bell said.

Requests for phone service and other transactions may be made in person at the new office or by telephone. Peard added, Office hours will be from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

The new office, which includes approximately 20,000 square feet of floor space, will serve customers in Livonia, Northville, Plymouth, Romulus and Wayne.

Michigan Bell will maintain its business offices in Plymouth and Wayne where area customers may also contact telephone business or discuss their service.



A NEW OFFICE BUILDING is going up at 20800 Northwestern Highway. (Observer photo)

## When To Deduct Moving Costs

Did you switch jobs in 1969 and move 20 miles or more to a new home in order to be closer to your new place of work?

Were you transferred by your company, and is your new place of work at least 20 miles farther from your former home than the place where you used to work?

In either case, and if you worked or expect to work full time in your new job for at least 39 weeks in the 12-month period following your arrival, then, according to William C. Rescorla, CPA president of the Michigan Association of Certified Public Accountants, you can deduct your moving expenses, including packing, crating and in-transit storage charges, on your federal in-

come tax return due this April 15.

**YOU CAN ALSO** deduct reasonable travel expenses, including the cost of meals and lodging, for your family and yourself in making the move to your new home.

Of course, if your employer reimbursed you for all or some of these costs, to the extent you are reimbursed, your expenses may not be deducted for tax purposes.

"That is the situation for 1969 income, on which a tax return must be filed by April 15," Rescorla observed. "With respect to 1970 income, however, on which returns will be filed next year, the new Tax Reform Act makes some sig-

nificant changes concerning expenses of relocation."

One change is that the 20-mile-distance test of deductibility will become a 50-mile test. Thus, if the distance between a taxpayer's former residence and former place of business was 10 miles, his new place of business will have to be at least 60 miles from his former residence to permit any deductions for moving expenses on returns for 1970 and subsequent years.

**BUT IN ADDITION** to existing deductions, Rescorla said, the new law will permit taxpayers also to deduct travel costs, meals and lodging expenses incurred in finding new homes, the costs of meals and lodging at the new job location

for as much as 30 days while waiting to take occupancy, and attorneys' fees, real estate agents' commissions and other reasonable expenses involved.

There will be an over-all limitation of \$2,500 on deductible moving expenses, with allowable house-hunting and temporary living expenses while waiting to move into the new home limited to \$1,000. Any reimbursements received from employers for moving expenses, however, will have to be included in taxpayers' gross incomes and is subject to withholding.

The rules for 1970 moving expenses, under certain circumstances, for the first time may also apply to self-employed persons, Rescorla added.

## NBD To Remodel Plymouth Office

The downtown Plymouth office of the National Bank of Detroit at Main and Pennington will soon have a bright new look.

Administrative Manager, James C. Maxwell said, remodeling plans include new, modern teller windows, Year-garment of the safe deposit area, and the addition of a stairway leading from the main lobby to the second floor mortgage department.

"The 11 new teller cages, which are designed for greater teller efficiency, will mean faster customer service," Maxwell said. "The attractive mahogany counters will enhance the management area which was carpeted and furnished with modern furniture last year.

"The new stairway will be at the Pennington Street entrance. Even though the insti-

lution department is moving to the new office at N. Territorial and Sheldon, NBD's mortgage department will remain at the downtown office. That is the reason for the extensive second floor alterations and the addition of another convenient entrance to the mortgage department."

The imposing, limestone building has been a Plymouth landmark since its completion in 1920. It was built by the Plymouth United Savings Bank which merged with National Bank of Detroit in 1952.

NBD carried out major alterations on the building in 1955 and again in 1960 when it purchased the adjacent hardware store on Pennington Street from Edson O. Huston Co.

The "new look" program, presently underway, will take eight to nine weeks to complete Maxwell said.



MICHAEL A. WARD will become a vice president and head of new real estate brokerage department of A. B. W. Greshenon Corp., Detroit-based real estate and shopping center developers. Ward, of Northville, previously managed the Northville Shopping Center and is a licensed realtor.

## Engineers To Discuss Education

Practicing engineers will gather March 7 at Oakland University for a seminar jointly sponsored by the University's Division of Continuing Education, School of Engineering and the Oakland County Chapter of the Michigan Society of Professional Engineers.

The program will offer engineers an opportunity to present views regarding the types of continuing education programs they feel will be valuable to their professional development.

Saturday's morning session will cover topics of professional development, professional viewpoints, and viewpoints of practicing engineers. After luncheon, conference participants will divide into groups representing private practice, governmental, and industrial employment to focus more closely on individual needs.

Following group discussions, a summary session will collect views and proposals to be used as a guide in developing professional continuing education programs for engineers.

Area engineers interested in attending and helping design future professional programs may contact Oakland University's Division of Continuing Education, Rochester, Phone 377-2000, ext. 2175 or 2177.

## Air Engineers Offer Week Of Courses

The Michigan Chapter of American Society of Heating, Refrigerating, and Air Conditioning Engineers and the University of Detroit School of Architecture will jointly present the following courses beginning the week of March 2, 1970 and extending for eight weeks.

Monday - Balancing air distribution systems, desk top computers, coil selection and piping.

Tuesday - Balancing hydronic systems, balancing air distribution systems, industrial ventilation.

Wednesday - Air distribution and duct design, refrigeration.

Thursday - Balancing air distribution systems, time sharing computers.

Friday - Sound attenuation in air conditioning systems.

The cost is \$40 for each course, which includes textbooks. All classes are held on the third floor of the engineering building. Students may register the first night of the course in room No. 306. Courses run from 7 to 9 p.m.

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THOMAS J. OHARA, former manager of the Livonia Club of Michigan's Plymouth office and now manager of a Detroit office, recently received the organization's "friend of the motorist" presidential citation for company service.

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## 2 Joint Management Seminars Set

The Oakland County chapter of the National Association of Accountants has accepted two area men into membership. They are:

Malcolm MacIntosh of Farmington, plant controller for Heublein, Inc.

Edwin J. Duda of Dearborn, formerly of Plymouth, a cost analyst for Ford Motor Co.

A series of six evening management seminars will be held at Mercy College of Detroit Conference Center by the small business administration.

These seminars comprise a program entitled: "Financial Management for Small Firms" and cover a variety of topics such as short and long term financing, analyzing financial statements, business forecast-

ing, the economic outlook for '70, and others.

**THE PROGRAM BEGINS** Monday evening March 2, at 7 p.m. and continues for six consecutive Monday evening sessions. The program is co-sponsored by the Department of Business Administration at Mercy College, 8200 W. Outer Drive.

Registration information can be obtained by calling 531-7820, ext. 465.



**BEST COSTUMES** got prizes in the Montgomery Ward's Wonderland store annual Washington's birthday contest. Front row, left: Doris Case of Garden City, best Martha costume, and Geraldine Detweiler of Northville, best colonial dress. Standing, from left: Robert O'Neil of Detroit and Joyce Bydowski of Garden City, best-dressed department (shoes); Roy Larch of Farmington, best George costume; Evelyn Anderson of Farmington and William McCreary of Livonia, also of the shoe department.



Southfield Bowl, 23850 West Eight-Mile Road, will be the mecca for junior bowlers in the Detroit area over a two week period from April 11 thru April 19.

These are the weekends of the area rolloffs for the Michigan YBA championships in all divisions, with the winners qualifying for the grand lanes at Sturgis Bowl on June 27.

The Michigan YBA now embraces more than 22,000 members - the highest ever - and the championships promise to be competition at its best.

For the rolloffs the state has been divided into six areas, with competition scheduled at Southfield Bowl; Airway Lanes in Pontiac; Lakeview Lanes in Lake Odessa; Lucky Strike Lanes in Ingers City; and Bowl in Sisters Lake and Sunset Lanes in Portage.

There will be area championship trophies in all divisions.

**THE LEAD CHANGE** in three of the four handicap divisions of the women's state tournament last week-end in Benton Harbor.

The Breininger team of Belding took top place in the team event with 3,061; Marjorie Thornton and Kay Torr, of Drayton Pines, earned the doubles lead with 1299 and Marion Wilkinson, of Sarnia, moved into the pacemaking role in the all events with 2055.

**WHEN ENTRIES** for the ABC tournament in Knoxville closed last week 4,802 teams were listed to make it the largest bowling event ever held in the south.

The 24,000 entrants will be competing for a share of the \$59,625 prize fund. This is the second largest prize list in ABC history. The top mark is \$63,570 established last year in Madison, Wisconsin.

**THE HARD LUCK** crown of the week belongs to Doris Brace, of the Gill PTA League at Farmington Lanes.

For the second week in a row she paced the field with a 586 series on games of 219,193 and 174. She lost a chance at a 600 series when she snapped her ball, hit her ankle, and was left limping. The ankle was badly bruised.

Betty Bertrand's Team number 11 rolled another 700 series for top team honors.

**GEORGE BOGDEN** was the big man in the House League at Oak Park Lanes with a 625, where he beat out cation Slesky by 20 pins. Single game honors went to Midge Jablonski with a 246 and Sam Goldsvein added a 242.

The sharpshooters in the Bel-Aire Classic had a field day with 114 games of double century figures, 25 series above 600 and two counts above 700.

Jack Grimes showed the way with a 715 and Johnny King contributed a 711.

Other high scores included: Jack Brown with a 279 in 695, George Berling with a 278 and Ed Dunkel with 269.

**LAURA RYCKMAN**, of Southfield, stole the show when the Suburban Proprietors League bowled at Merri-Bowl. She posted games of 166, 294 and 278 for a 646 and singles for women. In her big game she opened with nine in a row, left up the No. 4 pin and then struck out the rest.

The Redford Lanes men's team established two records for the travelling circuit - a single game of 1103 and a 2949 series.

**LARRY BRANDT** was King of the Hill in the garden Lanes Classic for the week. He posted the lone 700 series.

Other high scores included: Ed Dybas 697, Mike Zaldic 677, Bruce Statter 666 and Bill Wilson 661.

**FRED VITELLI** survived a battle royal to win the monthly Michigan Major Tournament over the past weekend.

He posted a 3053 series to gain a sizeable lead on Lou Haydu, the runner-up with 2884. Bob Hart, one of the "hottest" of the area's bowlers in recent weeks finished third with 2773.

Ironically, Terry Ramey and Dick Sparta shared single game honors with 245, but neither qualified for the finals.

**EVEN THOUGH** the scores were lower than usual a new

face popped up in the Wonderland Classic. Herb Hager showed the way to his rivals with a 694, while Bill Walker and Dave Winkelman shared second place at 690.

Dick Beattie who started so fast in the league campaign still is in his slump and hit only 623.

**BOB HITT**, the veteran Livonia milkman, took single

game honors in the Monday Classic at Livonia Lanes with a 235 game. This count kept him in fourth place for the second half of the season.

Other high scores included: Bill Miller 225, Ron Okerstrom 224 and Gary Taksessian 218.

Joe Krespi was high with a 229. Joe Kostlowy was second with 241 and Joe Zarycki finished in third place with 236- and the high series - a 616.

## observing sports

**PUTTING ONE WORD AFTER ANOTHER**...

And it's March Madness Time again - meaning the State High School basketball tournament opens Monday when the first shots will be fired in district meets.

The experts are saying: Take your pick between Pontiac Central and Ferndale for the Class A honors. Most of the rating polls favor Pontiac Central, while Hal Schram of the Free Press has gone along with Ferndale all season.

Something tells us that neither one of the teams will be around on the night of March 21 when the crown is settled up in East Lansing.

From where we sit, neither is that dominant a team.

Best bet to get anywhere from Observerland is Garden City or Stevenson.

It's too bad that both are in the same district as Franklin.

**WHAT MYSTIFIED US:** Why does the State Prep Association continue to bar bands from playing at tournament games?

It strikes us that live music is as much a part of a prep basketball game as the players, the cheerleaders and the fans.

Not having any music around takes something away from tournament games in our book.

Besides, it's a shame that when it comes time to play the National Anthem, cannot instead of live music is utilized.

**BEST WISHES** to Bill Fahey, the young man from Redford Township via Redford Union high school who has signed a bonus contract in the neighborhood of \$25,000 with the Washington Senators.

Fahey caught for RU for three years and has been the backstop on the Redford Township Free Press-state champs which have gone to the nationals for the last few years.

He played for the University of Detroit a year ago and was barred from turning pro until he left the Titans and enrolled at Port Huron J.C.

Under the major league draft rules, you can't touch a player in a four-year college until his class has graduated or he's 21. But it's a different story when it comes to boys at junior and community colleges.

The Senators made Fahey their No. 1 pick in the recent special draft. With catchers so scarce everywhere in baseball, Fahey is considered a good bet to go places.

He can hit, has a good arm, and he's a smart receiver.

**Our pick** as the schoolboy wrestler of the year in Observerland: Heavyweight Barry Walsh of Our Lady of Sorrows who completed the regular season unbeaten and is favored to win the state Class C title next week.

**SEE WHERE SOUTHFIELD'S** Bill Freehan of the Tigers has authored a book which will hit the market shortly.

Freehan has been very outspoken over the Dennis McLain situation and has hinted no words over the special treatment he and his mates thought that McLain received.

It all boils down to one thing: To achieve team work, you have to treat everybody alike.

It holds true in any line of endeavor ... not just in sports.

**ORCHIDS TO FARMINGTON** High's Paul White, who was picked as "The Prep of the Week" by the Free Press this past week.

White has wound up as the No. 1 scorer in Oakland County prep basketball circles this season and one of the state's leaders with a 30-plus point average.

This is the week the Tigers will begin their exhibition grind down in Florida. It should be interesting: the experiments Manager Mayo Smith conducts to find a replacement for McLain.

It might take three pitchers or four to match the victories Denny has posted for the Tigers in the last three seasons.

**CONFIDENT GUYS** are Farmington Township's Sid Abel and Ed Coll.

Abel, the general manager-coach of the Red Wings, is convinced his club will make the playoffs despite some problems of late winning at home.

Coll, the general manager of the Pistons, feels confident the Pistons will strike it rich at the forthcoming college draft.

It's generally agreed the Pistons are one player away from a strong team. A player like Bob Lanier or Pete Maravich might do the trick.

**IF YOU HAVEN'T** already, order your tickets for the annual NCAA track meet at Cobo Arena in Detroit, March 13-14.

It's the biggest track show anywhere of the indoor season and the thrills come fast and furious.