

# DIAL SERVICE IS UNDER WAY

The telephone improvement program which will provide dial telephone service for Livermore and vicinity is well under way. Pole lines are being rebuilt and changed to provide two-wire instead of the present one-wire service. The small structure that houses the new dial central office equipment is almost completed. The rewiring of homes and places of business for the new telephones, another step in the \$19,000 improvement program, was started recently, according to R. A. Mikelson, manager for the Northwestern Bell Telephone Company. This work will extend over a period of several weeks.

The work required to change from the present to the new telephone system for this community is proceeding in accordance with the plans which provide for placing the dial system in service by October.

The change from one-wire to two-wire lines in the rural territory adjacent to Livermore, another part of the improvement program, is being carried on and should be completed during the latter part of this summer, states Mr. Mikelson. Some of the rural customers already are receiving service over the new lines.

Shortly before the new service is placed in use next fall, all customers will be given complete information on how to use the dial telephone. This information also will be included in copies of a new issue of the telephone directory which will be distributed at the time, said Mr. Mikelson.

The dial telephone system is being installed because careful surveys and studies indicate that in the long run an improved telephone service can be provided most economically in this community with dial equipment, states the telephone company manager.