



Manhattan and the Bronx in outline. The figures represent the number of local central offices of the New York Telephone Company in buildings at approximately those locations on the first of May

Opportunities for Dual Use

THE BUSINESS AREA of Manhattan, south of 59th Street, is served by some 54 panel dial and crossbar dial central offices.

In these offices the busy hour for originating calls is usually in the forenoon, and in some of them the volume of business handled in the morning busy hour amounts to as much as 17 percent of the day's total traffic—which is at the rate of handling the entire day's traffic in six hours. In general, the afternoon traffic is much less than the morning's; in the evening, with business buildings virtually empty of the day's throng, the traffic is only a small fraction of