

exercises in the modern techniques of map-making. The course was designed to give the teachers a better understanding of air photos and general and thematic maps.

The teacher-students reviewed instruction in the various phases of map-construction, starting with field exercises in the operation of modern survey

equipment. Classes were held in map-engraving and the uses of aerial photography and the teachers visited the National Air Photo Library, Public Archives, and the Department's map-printing plant.

The course, which began on June 26, brought together geography teachers from Quebec, Ontario, Alberta, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick.

LIGHTWEIGHT TELEPHONE HEADSET

Introduction of the lightweight *Venture I* telephone headset by Bell Canada should please even those people who *hate* headsets!

Weighing less than an ounce and costing \$3.50 a month to rent, the new instrument is pleasant to look at and comfortable to wear. And it will out-perform the half-pound 52- and 53-type sets that it is designed to replace.

The company's Western Region supervisor of marketing-product development, Harry Dean, says that the new lightweight instrument will "appeal not only to existing users of conventional headsets but to a new market...customers who have a requirement for hands-free telephone service but have resisted headsets because of the discomfort of the headband. The *Venture I* is really aimed at anyone who uses the phone a lot".

The unit can be worn on either ear, and six sizes of eartips are provided. No headband is required, and the headset cord is supported loosely from the neck by an adjustable lanyard. A tiny stabilizer can be tucked under the ear cartilage, if desired. Also included in the kit are special eye-glass clips.

A ball-joint at the end of the plastic-covered stainless-steel transmitter arm makes it easy to position the transmitter at the corner of the mouth.

Transmission of background noise is minimized by the electret transmitter which is designed so that soundwaves from relatively distant sources strike both sides of the diaphragm with nearly equal force. The sound of the user's voice, however, strikes the near side of the diaphragm with greater force than it strikes the far side, resulting in clear transmission.



Venture I headset weighs less than an ounce, needs no headband, and cancels transmission of most background noise.



Old headset weighs about half a pound and requires a headband. Background noise can create problems.