

### NIGHT OPERATION—GENERAL

This section includes a few practices which modify other sections during night hours as locally specified. The patrol system of handling calls is described in Section 24.

1. **Selecting an idle line of an underlined group.** Disregard preferential and master busy testing, proceeding as in Sec. 25, 3a.
2. **Selecting an idle trunk.** Proceed as locally directed with respect to disregarding preferential markings and to selecting trunks specially designated for night operation.
3. **Passing orders to other operators.**
  - a. In passing an order to a "B" operator or any other terminating operator, pass both the called office name and number in all cases. Listen carefully for the operator's repetition of your order and acknowledge it.
  - b. In passing an order to a tandem or other intermediate operator, listen carefully for a repetition of the order and acknowledge it.
4. **Completing delayed calls.**
  - a. In giving any delayed call report with a promise to call, add to the report "**Will that be satisfactory?**" and be guided by the calling party's reply.  
If you give a report before night hours begin but the attempt will be made after that time, also ask, "**Will that be satisfactory?**"
  - b. If the called line is out of order, proceed as locally directed in regard to making attempts to complete the call.