



Under-Rug Telephone Cordage

TELEPHONES are sometimes located where it is necessary to extend the wire under rugs or carpets. The use of standard twisted inside wire formerly employed for this purpose produces a ridge in the rug which is unsightly and causes increased wear. Flat rubber cordage approximately $\frac{1}{8}$ " in thickness by $\frac{1}{8}$ " in width has been developed as a substitute for this purpose and is now manufactured by the Western Electric Company. It consists of four conductors of rubber insulated stranded wire

embedded in a strip of brown rubber with beveled edges. Each conductor is provided with a separate rubber insulation so that there will be no danger of crosses between the conductors, when the rubber covering is removed to provide a free length of wire to pass through carpets or to attach at the connecting block. The insulation is of a different color for each conductor to aid in making correct connections.

This cordage is thus used to advantage in situations such as that shown in the illustration.

