

LM Ericsson Continues Expansion of C.T.C. in Scandinavia

In the autumn of 1962 the Swedish State Railways ordered from LM Ericsson C.T.C. Code Control Equipment for 130 stations with five C.T.C. offices. The equipment suffices for a distance of 1,000 kilometres and is to be installed on the Gothenburg—Ängelholm, Uppsala—Gävle—Storvik—Ockelbo, Mellansel—Vännäs, Luleå—Boden—Gällivare and Kiruna—Svappavaara lines. The equipment is to be delivered in the years 1963—1965 and will be of the same kind as earlier installed at three C.T.C. offices and 71 field locations.

The Swedish Railways already have the longest continuous C.T.C. line in Europe, between Ljusdal and Mellansel, 357 km with 44 field locations. After the installation of the new equipment, Sweden will have a considerably greater length of railroad under centralized traffic control than any other country in Europe, altogether some 1,450 km.

As announced in Ericsson Review No. 1, 1962, the Norwegian State Railways are installing C.T.C. on two lines, between Narvik and Riksgränsen on the Swedish boundary in the north, and between Stavanger and Egersund in the south. The equipment is being supplied by LM Ericsson and A/S Norsk Signalindustri. The Norwegian Railways have since purchased equipment for the Lilleström—Hamar and Lilleström—Magnar lines, which will bring up the length of C.T.C. lines in Norway to 370 km with three C.T.C. offices and 61 field locations. The equipment is to be delivered during 1963.

The Danish State Railways are continuing to install C.T.C. on the main lines. According to present plans, before the end of 1963 C.T.C. will be in operation on 305 km of line with five C.T.C. offices and 42 field locations.



Sven Weber in Memoriam

Sven Weber died on January 15 in Helsinki.

At his death Sven Weber was chairman of the board of O/Y LM Ericsson A/B. Originally trained as a naval architect in Dresden and at Chalmers, Gothenburg, he entered the telephony field in 1930 when he accepted an appointment in the South Finnish Trunk Telephone Co. In 1934 he was appointed president of O/Y LM Ericsson A/B, a post to which he brought great ability and in which he remained until 1958 when he became chairman of the board.

During the many years in which Sven Weber presided over O/Y LM Ericsson A/B, telephony in Finland underwent a tremendous development. Under his leadership LM Ericsson established intimate cooperation with the Finnish telephone administrations, to the benefit of all parties. In his work and in his person Sven Weber was a man of stature. Dynamic, rich in initiative, a skilful engineer and businessman, he became in time the symbol of an indomitable spirit that acknowledged no difficulty. These qualities he combined with a kindness and a firmness of friendship, an optimism and infectious good humour which make his loss doubly great. Sven Weber was an important link in the relations between our two countries. In the memory of his colleagues and friends he remains a strong and bright light.

Sven T. Aberg

C.T.C. in Scandinavia, January 1963

- ⊙ C.T.C. office
- ▤ C.T.C. system under installation
- ▬ C.T.C. system in operation

