

Ericsson NEWS from *All Quarters of the World*

Europe's Largest C.T.C. Plant to be Equipped by L M Ericsson

The office of what will be the largest C.T.C. system in Europe was opened by the Swedish State Railways on January 30 this year. The C.T.C. office is at Ånge, from which four stations on the Ånge-Bräcke line have been controlled since 1955.

In conjunction with the opening of the new Ånge office, a section comprising 135 km of line with 16 stations was taken into service. By about September 1 it will be extended to include another 7 stations, making 23 stations and 173 km of line. On completion of the Långsele-Mellansel section by the end of the year, a further 10 stations and 91 km of line will be under C.T.C. operation.

During 1962 an extension will be made down to Ljusdal, comprising 99 km with 13 stations. The entire C.T.C. line will then cover 358 km with 43 stations.

The plant is keyset-operated and the control desk is so arranged that a single person can control the entire plant during low traffic periods. During high traffic periods the plant is operated by two persons with one keyset each. The office has two train-graphs.

From inauguration of C.T.C. system at Ånge — largest in Europe. (From left) Chief Superintendent S. Persson, Chief Engineer G. Knall, Signal Engineer H. Brockman, Signal Inspector F. Lindsjö, District Manager H. Palm, all of the Swedish Railways; H. Insulander, Man. Dir. of L M Ericssons Signalaktiebolag; and A. Karsberg, Director Engineering, S. Lundgren, Chief Signal Engineer, and N. G. Eriksson, Traffic Superintendent, of the Swedish Railways.

New Australian Ericsson Company

L M Ericsson has acquired a majority interest in Trimax Transformers Pty. Ltd. (Trimax), Melbourne, Australia.

After a new issue of 40,000 shares, the share capital of Trimax will be Austral. £120,000, of which L M Ericsson will own 60 per cent.

Trimax, which will change its name to L M Ericsson-Trimax Pty. Ltd., is a manufacturer of apparatus and components for the communication and electrical industries and will include suitable L M Ericsson products within its current range of manufacture.

Since 1959 L M Ericsson has won a strong footing on the Australian telephone market following the decision of the Australian Post Office to adopt the Ericsson crossbar system as standard for automatization of the Australian telephone network.

