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Cryptographic System

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Responsive to amendment of June 22, 1933.

Claim 3, as amended, appears at present to be allowable.

The amendment to claim 33 does not define invention over Hovland of record and the claim is accordingly again rejected on Hovland in which the relay 24, which is operated by the sunflower switch, is the equivalent of the signal bank of the claim; k is a switching device for varying the connections between the two sets of elements ( the keyboard and the signal bank ) and means controlled by an external key etc. is considered met by a manual actuation of the bars in K at any time the operator desires to change the code.

Claim 51, newly presented, is rejected as being indefinite in that the word "separate" in line 4 fails to define what two elements are separate.

The remaining claims appear at present to be allowable.

Examiner.

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