Municipal Emergency Reporting System speeds communication



Anyone may call the Fire department by lifting the handset. To call the Police department, it is necessary to press a secret pushbutton.

Each year, lives are lost and property destroyed or stolen because of poor communications with fire and police departments in emergencies. AE offers a solution to this problem with the Municipal Emergency Reporting System. It's a citywide signal and voice communications system that automatically ties all emergency services into one swift public reporting network.

Here's how AE's Emergency Reporting System functions. Telephone call boxes throughout the community connect directly to fire and police headquarters. Lift the handset in any box and it automatically sends both visual and audible alarms—even reports its location to an automatic typewriter. Then, while you report the nature of the emergency to the control operator, the conversation is recorded. Almost before you hang up, the right kind of help is on the way.

Restricted Police Department communication is also offered by this system. Police and other authorized personnel get direct connection to the police department switchboard by pressing a recessed button and picking up the handset.

Emergency Reporting Service is self-supervising. Vandalism or accidental damage to the instrument or handset is instantly reported to headquarters.

Each Emergency Reporting System is engineered to the specific needs of the community. False alarms and "crank" calls are discouraged by using voice communications. This is particularly effective when each call is tape recorded and public announcement is made of this fact.



Typical fire or police console for the Municipal Emergency Reporting System. Equipment is determined by individual requirements. For additional capacity, two or more units are mounted, side by side.