The keys come in several different sizes and then riveted together. There are two different types of plates that make up the lock; warded and open. A warded plate has a slit in it (see fig. C-A), while an open plate has a hole in it (see fig. C-B). Thus be mixing the plates a key combination is made up. For every warded plate there is a cut in the key. By the way fig. A is a cross section of the two different types of keys. The only difference between them is the direction of the curve.

At the bottom of the lock there are two springs that hold the shackle closed (see fig. D). The spring arms are held in the slots of the shackle and Thus keep it from moving up. When the key is inserted it stops right at the bottom of the lock (the last plate) so that the last two parts of the key are parallel to the springs. Thus as the key is turned the springs are pushed away from each other and the shackle is set free.

Meanwhile back at the wards... We can see that an uncut part of the key will get stuck in the ward. However a cut part is free to turn whether the plate is warded or open. Thus we cut the hole key except the very tip where the key contacts the spring. The finished product looks like fig. D with the stripped parts removed. Now we can open all the locks regardless of their plate combination. Well, that's all for this month's friends. So stay cool and keep on pickin'!

Skeleton picks are a little like master keys or more correctly skeleton keys in the fact that they will open every lock of the type they are made for. The most common type of lock that is openable by this method is the Master padlock.

The kest tax dodge of all

Howy Murzin doesn't file an income tax return and doesn't pay any taxes. He isn't worried about the IRS because he claims he knows the secrets of beating the tax man. And so far, he says, government tax collectors haven't bothered him at all.

Murzin is a 24-year-old researcher for the American Taxpayer's Freedom League. He claims that the IRS has no legal right to collect taxes and that the government has no right to collect taxes.


The best tax dodge of all
Gibberish III
by Fred Steinbeck

AUTOVON

Ah, yes, a favorite subject of mine. A few things first, a tale of my last spoke of it. First, it seems that the 4th column tone really is 1633 Hz (I should have known never to have doubted The Magician...) There are a number of reasons that I believe this.

First, it seems that the DoD made a small mistake, and auctioned off a number of telephones in Washington, DC. It further seems that these phones had grey keys, except for four extra red ones, labeled "FO, F, I, P", going down from the top. When any two of these keys were pressed, 1633 Hz was generated. I haven't seen these phones, and their sale is rumor. But what isn't?

Second, I talked with a friend of mine, a one DC Central. DC knows a little about AUTOVON (more than people in previous columns of mine, anyway) and he says that the USAF 412L (the 4xx), as he says, implying that there are more than 1 matrix) matrix is only used for on-base communications, and that between base communications use the 1633 Hz tone.

However, it turns out my friend in a previous issue was correct: the new names for FOFIP are Flash, Immediate, Priority, and Routine. However, the definitions of the signals are, well, the word "wrong" springs to mind. They really are (from a DoD phone book, no less):

Flash: "... reserved for alerts, warnings, or other emergency actions having immediate bearing on national, command or area security (e.g., presidential use; announcement of alert; opening of hostilities; land, air or sea catastrophies,...)"

Immediate: "... reserved for communications (1) having an immediate operational effect on tactical operations, (2) which directly concern safety or reliability, or (3) which affect the intelligence community operational role..."

Priority: "... reserved for calls which require prompt completion for national defense and security, the successful conduct of war, or to safeguard life or property... Normally, Priority will be the highest precedence which may be assigned to administrative matters for which speed of handling is of paramount importance."

Routine: "... reserved for all other official communications."

Let me stress one military phrase which is throughout most military phone books: "Do not discuss classified information on the telephone." The military is right for sure this time, and we phone phreakers would do well to listen to this prophet, as one never knows who else is listening to one's conversation.

We need more info on AUTOVON, though. I know some people out there know more than I know about AUTOVON! So make my guesses disappear by replacing them with facts!

1633 Hz Loop Arouns

Unless I am mistaken, on CATM, "billing" information about calls to directory assistance are recorded, along with calls to 800 numbers. Well, I suppose that if Bell really wanted to catch you using 1633 Hz to screw with ACD's, and with only make free calls in doing so, they could check for calls to DA which lasted over three minutes. I have the feeling that this wouldn't be too hard, so keep those calls short!

Blue Box Fraud Detection

I had been wondering for a long time about how Bell knows when we make a blue box call. "2600 Hz detectors on the unsolicited mass reply. But we all know that 2600 Hz detectors aren't cheap, and putting them on every trunk is costly and time consuming. So what do they know that we don't?"

Well, MF tones are sent at a certain speed, even on operator trunks. Now, whenever you send your little tones at normal error rate, the equipment (5X6A, 4E) thinks that something is wrong (i.e., the MF pulses aren't being sent at the right rate). So on a 2600 Hz drops a trouble card, and on an EES, a printer screen quickly to itself. But later when they look at these printouts, and see it's an equipment error, well, "Hello, security? We have a toll fraud problem here..." Of course, on these cards or printouts, they'll have the number called, the calling number, and the time of day.

TASI

There has been some wonder lately on what TASI is, and what a "TASI locking frequency" does. Well, TASI (Time Assignment Speech Interpretation) is used on satellite trunks, and basically allows more than one person to use a trunk by putting them on while the other person is not talking. Of course, you'd never hear the other person talking on your trunk.

When you start to talk, however, the TASI controller has to find an open trunk for you. Because of this, some of your speech is lost because of the delay in finding a trunk. This is called clipping.

Well, if you were transmitting data over a trunk, clipping would really mess up the data. So, there is something called a TASI "locking frequency" which keeps TASI from putting anyone else on your trunk, or you on anyone else's trunk. For this to work, it uses a "locking frequency" which is 1850 Hz. In any case, it is also the same frequency as the "echo suppress" frequency. Any experimenters out there?

The Phone Phreak's Ten Commandments

I. Thou shalt not over thine home telephone wires, for those doest must surely bring the full wrath of the Chief Special Agent down upon thy heads.

II. Speakst thou not of important matters over thine home telephone wires, for to do so is to risk thine right of freedom.

III. Use not thine own name when speaking to other Phreaks, for that every third Phreak is an FBI agent well known.

IV. Let not overly many people know that thy be a Phreak, as to do so is to use thine own self as a sacrificial lamb.

V. If thou be in school, strive to get thine self good grades, for the Authorities well know that scholars never break the law.

VI. If thou workst, try to be a goodly employer, and impressst thine boss with thine enthusiasm, for important employees are often saved by their own bosses.

VII. Storest thou not thine stolen goodes in thine own home, for those who do are surely saved by the Bell System Security forces, and are not long for this world.

VIII. Attractest thou not the attention of the Authorities, as the less noticable thou art, the better.

IX. Makest sure thine friends are instant newsletters, and without it, thy works will be ever more limited.
**How to Infiltrate TAP**

by Cheshire Catalyst

Reports from Washington D.C. state that Congress is about to pass legislation that will once again allow the FBI and CIA to infiltrate "subversive" organizations. Now it isn't that I think the TAP is subversive, but if they don't at least think that we are, then TAP has an image problem to deal with.

TAP has gone through a number of meeting places since we last reported our weekly whereabouts in these pages (I'm not going to pour through the back issues to detail how long ago that was. It is left as an exercise for the deranged, and the nitpicker). We used to meet in Greenwich Village in New York City. The restaurants we met in got bought up, fixed up, and when they re-opened, we couldn't afford them anymore. We wound up in one of New York's oldest cafes, and then it got sold for a new office building. It hasn't been built yet, which makes me wonder if maybe someone wanted to just make us move.

Paranoid of us, or the reports of Pennsylvania State Police photos were a little much. But even our ego can't make us figure that someone spent a few million bucks to buy the place so a few lousy phone phreaks would move away to where they might not be found when it was time to survive. Anyway, we're now back home in The Village.

So why are we telling you all this? Why are we giving it all up again? Why am I telling you this now? I think the simple explanation is this: By the time this gets past deadline, gets to the printer, and gets to somebody's mailbox, it'll be May. We meet these days at "Jackie's" at the beaverly face between Broadway and Washington Square Park. We meet there on Friday's between 5:30 and 6:30PM Eastern Time.

You give us in or near New York, come on down, and give us two bucks. You'll get to reach into the envelope and pick a month (there are a couple left). we have to move, or if the restaurant dies, gets sold, or remodels & Jacks up the prices, and it happens in your month, you win the pot. The month we meet in is May.

I'm really not as mercenary as that for a few measly bucks, but it seems to be the best way we could have put out to keep a place we like open. In fact, we've spent a few million bucks to buy the place so a few lousy phone phreaks would move away to where they might not be found when it was time to survive. Anyway, we're now back home in The Village.

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