

SIGNAL TRIUMPH

Passengers for York (long brought safely in by the men who handled the 867 levers controlling the lines into the city) now finish their journey in charge of the largest route relay interlocking scheme in the world. Completed at a cost of more than half-a-million, the new all-electric finger-and-thumb operated system does the work of eight of the old-style boxes. The turn of a switch works the signals and sets the route.

Diagrams using 5,000 lights show the position of all trains on 33 miles of track. The panel controls 827 routes by means of 74 sets of signals and 157 sets of points.

Above the diagram is the traffic register which shows the position at the 16 platforms and the sidings of York station. With the new system, North Eastern Region achieves economy and safety and steps up speed in transit.