

I chose to eliminate it altogether. Therefore the DELETE key will now function as if it were a special key unaffected by either the SHIFT key or the keyboard mode selected. Simply position the cursor under the character you want to delete and push the key.

Those of you with some machine language experience will be able to shorten the DELETE key test routine at 00B3-00C4 although it is not necessary to do so. If you make this change, however, the DELETE key will only function when the keyboard is in the Upper and Lower Case mode.

As the DELETE key outputs the ASCII code 7F, you must be certain that the bit pattern corresponding to that code is blank. This is also true for the code for a space -- 20. Remember that the keyboard itself does not create the characters you see. These must be programmed and stored in memory using the Character Designer program in Pips for Vips. Of course Text Editor 21 comes preprogrammed with a full character set.

You may change which keys produce which characters by using the Character Designer to alter the bit patterns for the new characters you want. If you do not know the ASCII code for a certain key you only need to position the cursor at the top left hand corner of the first