Tymshare History
Notes from Norm Hardy

1965
- The first commercial acoustic coupler was designed by Anderson/Jacobson for Tymshare.

1966
- The call to Tymshare was a long distance, analog call for most customers, which was very noisy. Customers had a choice of data sets or acoustic couplers at their end.

1967
- Tried frequency division multiplex (FDMX) mini-nodes from the phone company. They were very noisy and did not work.

1968
- First Tymnet node machine was the SPC-12. Later went to Varian, then Interdata, then the Tymnet Engine.
- First nodes used time division multiplex (TDMX).
- Larry Goshorn was president of company that made the SCP-12.

1969
- Upgraded Tymnet I to Varian machines. Used fixed circuits (assembled in) and DTE/CTE system.
- Dropped the DTE/CTE on the 940, but next release still had fixed circuits.

1970
- Acquired CCC, Seattle, with Bill Weiher. They used PDP-10s.

1972
- Release of Tymnet II with a supervisor on Varian hardware. Later switched to Interdata machines for more power and flexibility from the company.

1975
- Acquired Allen Babcock for the 360 customer base. Their machines had 3MB of non-IBM core for memory.