A CUSTOMIZABLE MENU FOR A TELEVISION RECEIVER ACCESSED VIA A REMOTE CONTROL KEYBOARD

ABSTRACT

A television system includes a menu generating feature which provides a plurality of menus comprising menu items corresponding to functions within a television signal processor (500,520) for selecting the functions for controlling, e.g., the display of a video image. A user-defined "fetch" menu (103-107;203-207;303-307;703-707), which is absent from the screen during normal program viewing, and which is easily accessible by means of a single key (411), holds a given number of the user's favorite menu items. The user may add (640-655) menu items to the fetch menu which normally reside any position in the plurality of menus. The user may thereafter cause display (615) of his list of favorite commands, and cause the execution (630) of his desired menu item without having to find that menu item at its normal position in the hierarchy.

FIGURE 5