

The Woman's Side of It

By J. A. WALDRON

IT IS illogical for Blanche Wing to study law, remarked one of her friends to another. "Blanche is too handsome a girl."

Blanche was a student in a well-known law school, and near graduation she had been picked by the school as a lecturer. He was a young man of the presence and had an exceptional knowledge of criminal law.

Denmore fell in love with Blanche, and she reciprocated. It was agreed that the day Blanche secured her legal diploma they should be married. And so it happened.

During their felicitous journeyings both ignored the subject of the law except for superficial discussion now and then of its benefits to humanity. In their stateroom on the steamer that was about to dock at the end of their trip Blanche made the subject prominent.

"I wonder, dear," she ventured, "if you would like me to have an office with you?" "An office with me? Are you serious, sweetheart?"

"Of course I'm serious! I am a lawyer. Did you imagine I had given up the idea?" "I had hoped you were happy enough to forget it. How can you make a home for us—an ideal home—and practice law?"

"How do you play golf almost every pleasant afternoon, dear, and yet carry on your practice? I need not give all my time to the law. I can get some idea of its practice, and still make a home."

Denmore was thoughtful. "Will you please be the subject a little? You know I must plunge right into politics. Wait, please, until I am elected—or defeated—dear girl!" And Blanche loved him enough to promise to wait. But her ultimate idea persisted.

Denmore was elected district attorney and at once assumed office. He was very busy. Blanche was considerate. But she scanned the proceedings of the courts daily with a feverish interest. A number of women were appearing as attorneys. And the election had furnished political surprises.

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MICHIGAN BELL ANSWERS ORDER OF COMMISSION

TELEPHONE COMPANY FILES LENGTHY STATEMENT OF '1/2 PER CENT SERVICES'

ECONOMIES IN OPERATION LAURE

Millions in Costs Saved Through A. T. & T. Contract, It is Indicated.

Laurens, Mich.—Services rendered by the Michigan Bell Telephone Company under its so-called former and half per cent license contract with the American Telephone & Telegraph Co. since 1922, are outlined in a seven volume statement and record filed with the Public Utilities Commission, in accordance with the recent order.

The statement consists of some 1,500 typed pages, and summarizes several thousand individual services. In addition to research and development and patent work, advisory counsel is given in connection with construction and operation matters, the designing of special equipment and other services performed in the promotion of the efficient and economical conduct of the Michigan company's business.

\$8,000,000 Saved in Year

Because of the continuous nature of the services rendered under the license contract, it is indicated, many services are not susceptible of being readily evaluated. As to those items which it is possible to evaluate, it is shown that the research and development work saved more than \$8,000,000 in annual charges and expenses during 1924. It also is shown that only at immensely greater expense, in the organization and maintenance of a costly technical staff of its own, could the Michigan company approximate the continuing service it now receives through the centralizing research, development, engineering and patent staff of the American company.

A statement accompanying the exhibit lists, among the material submitted, the following: A broad outline of the work of the centralized staff with a tabular view of license contract services; a statement of the organization and experience of certain members of the general staff who either direct the work of the staff or with whom Michigan Bell people have contact; organizational diagrams of the departments of development and research, construction and engineering of the American company; a list of the more than 5,100 U. S. patents issued and more than 3,100 pending which the American company owns or controls or is licensed under; a summary of the value to the Michigan company, since January 1, 1922, of the development work and services of the American company which it is possible to evaluate; a list of the more than 1,500 savings in fixed charges and operating expenses; a brief description of the equipment and plant and development work completed since January 1, 1922.

The result of service either in that period or prior thereto, as well as a description of certain other items of plant and equipment upon which work has been done in the past and which are to be made available for the use of the Michigan company in the very near future, and a statement of specific services rendered by the American company to the Michigan company from 1922 to 1925, having to do generally with plant, construction, engineering and accounting operations, advertising and promotion and miscellaneous services.

Is a Continuing Service

Many of the savings effected in the operation of the telephone service in Michigan under the license contract service to the Michigan company, have been the result of research and development work carried on both prior to January 1, 1922, and since that date, it is stated. The contract service is a continuing one, and it is impossible of separation into its component parts on a time and cost basis for that reason.

For instance, the Michigan company is now putting into service a new type transmitter developed by the general staff that has the effect of almost doubling the effective transmission range of the copper wire in cable (34-gauge) and which ultimately will mean enormous savings in wire cost. The development of this transmitter has been the work of years and was started prior to 1922.

The same is true of a new type of drop wire, now coming into use to connect the subscribers' premises with the telephone plant. This new drop wire costs \$1.20 less per thousand feet than the twisted pair type formerly used.

The Egyptian Belief The Egyptians believe that the entrance into the hidden land lay to the west, where the sun disappeared, which explains why the tombs of the Egyptians are all on the west bank of the Nile.

Record "Slow Coach" The greatest waste of time on record was the 10,000,000 years which a scientist says the lizard spent in becoming a snake.

nect the subscribers' premises with the telephone plant. This new drop wire costs \$1.20 less per thousand feet than the twisted pair type formerly used. To date, the Michigan company has installed 15,000,000 feet of the new type wire at a saving in annual charges, interest, depreciation and amortization of about \$2,000,000. The 15,000,000 feet of wire cost approximately \$18,000 less than the same amount of the old type wire would have cost. These savings, it is shown, are reflected in the cost of telephone service to the subscriber, in other words, except for the license contract service, telephone rates would be much higher than they are. Similarly, large economies have been effected in other items of equipment and methods adopted since 1922, but which were developed or partially worked out before that year. These include two accounting items, the rotation billing and accounting work plans.

Other Savings Enormous

The following table shows some of the services enumerated in the statement submitted to which it has been possible to figure the savings in annual charges and operating costs, through the license contract arrangement during 1924:

Table with 2 columns: Service and Amount. Includes items like Five wire cable, Drop wire cable, 17-gauge steel-copper wire, Open wire phantom circuits, Improved switchboard cords, Loading inter-office trunks, Bonding toll cables, Lead submarine cable, Repeaters, Duplex cables, Mechanical locking ring keys, Prepayment coin box operation, Toll single ticket operation, Two-number toll method, A. D. Toll method, Saving from use of A. T. & T. Co.'s transmitters, receivers and induction coils.

Many Other Economies

The statement also is made that the fundamental purpose of the work of the centralized staff and organization is to place the operating companies of the Bell System in a position to render to the public at all times the most efficient, extended and economical telephone service possible. Keeping the operating companies down to the future depends to an important extent on the work with which this organization is now busy.

It is shown, further, that the general staff has been able to reach further and further into subjects as office and building materials, office forms, hand tools and other similar matter which, although at first slight appearing small in themselves, nevertheless offer a fertile field for substantial economies through the use of the best economical appliances for each class of duty and the advantage that comes to this company through simplified practice and the consolidated purchasing of the requirements of the entire system.

The statement is particularly interesting in that part which refers to three alternatives possible to the Michigan company in problems requiring general engineering, research and development. The Michigan company might have undertaken, by itself, through a large additional force of employees and by hiring physicists, chemists, designing engineers and other technical experts, to develop its own methods, to use its own plant as an experimental laboratory to the detriment of service to the telephone user and to invent, develop and design the new apparatus constantly required to meet the increasing and changing needs of its business. No means for co-ordination between operating companies would have existed under that plan. Or the Michigan company might have done nothing in the way of providing for its needs in respect of all these matters, hoping and trusting that they might always be someone, somewhere, who might offer to sell to it something that it could use in some way.

of Charles Servis, the unknown wife of William H. Servis, Charles Servis, Harriet M. Servis, William H. Servis, Wm. Henry Servis, Harriet Servis, George E. Lawton and John A. Williams, or the unknown heirs, devisees, legatees and assigns of each and every of them, Defendants

At a session of said Court held at the Court House in the City of Pontiac, County of Oakland, State of Michigan, on the 12th day of October A. D. 1925.

Present: Hon. Frank L. Covert, Circuit Judge.

On reading and filing the Bill of Complaint duly filed in said cause, and the affidavit of Clinton McGee, from which it satisfactorily appears to the Court that the defendants above named, or their unknown heirs, devisees, legatees and assigns, are necessary and proper parties in the above entitled cause, and

It further appearing that after diligent search, inquiry and investigation it cannot be ascertained, and it is not known whether the persons named in said Bill of Complaint as defendants, or any of them, are living or dead, or where, he, she or they may reside, if living, or whether the right, title, interest, claim, lien or possible right has been by them, or any of them assigned to any person or persons, and if dead whether he, she or they have personal representatives or heirs living or where they or some or any of them may reside, or whether such title, interest, claim, lien or possible right has been disposed of, or whether or not the present whereabouts of such persons, their heirs-at-law, personal representatives, devisees, legatees and assigns, are unknown and the Post Office addresses of none of them can be ascertained, nor can it be ascertained whether any of them are minors or incompetents:

On motion of Pelton and McGee, attorneys for plaintiff:

IT IS ORDERED that the appearance of each and all of the foregoing defendants be entered in this cause within three months from the date of this Order and in case of their appearance, or the appearance of any of them, that they cause their answer to the Bill of Complaint to be filed, and a copy served upon the attorneys for plaintiff within fifteen days after service upon them, or their attorneys, of a copy of said Bill, and in default thereof that said Bill be taken as confessed by the said defendants who shall fail to comply with the requirements of this Order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the said plaintiff cause this Order to be published within forty days in the Farmington Enterprise, a newspaper printed, published and circulating in said County, once in each week for six weeks in succession, or that plaintiff cause a copy of this Order to be personally served upon each of said defendants herein, at least twenty days before the time prescribed for his, her or their appearance.

FRANK L. COVERT, Circuit Judge.

Burton P. Daugherty, Clerk. PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that this suit, in which the preceding Order was made, involves and is brought, to quiet title to the following described lands situate in the Township of Farmington, County of Oakland, State of Michigan, and more particularly described as follows:

The South half of the Northwest quarter of Section 5, and the South 39 1-3 acres of the East 54 1-3 acres of the Northeast quarter of Section 6, Town 1 North, Range 9 East, containing in all 119 1-3 acres.

PELTON AND MCGEE, Attorneys for Plaintiffs, First National Bank Bldg, Pontiac, Mich.

STATE OF MICHIGAN In the Circuit Court for the County of Oakland.

IN CHANCERY Calvin R. Green and Mary A. Green, Plaintiffs

vs. No. 12674 Lewis Watkins, Betsey Watkins, Homer Watkins, Lewis Watkins, Electa Watkins, William S. Watkins, Emily Watkins, Lewis H. Watkins, Emily Watkins, Lewis W. Watkins, Morris Blakesley, the unknown wife of George Welfare, Oliver M. Wright and Sally, his wife, the unknown wife of John Hovey, the unknown wife of William S. Watkins, Charles Servis, the unknown wife of Charles Servis, Harriet M. Servis, Harriet Servis, William H. Servis, the unknown wife of William H.

Servis, Wm. Henry Servis, the unknown wife of Wm. Henry Servis, Hiram Servis, Anne Servis, William Servis, Warren Servis, George E. Lawton, J. Lawton, John Williams and Sarah A. Williams, or the unknown heirs, devisees, legatees and assigns of each and every of them, Zephaniah R. Green, Hiram G. Saxton and William Riley, District Board of Fractional School District No. 3 of Farmington, No. 4 of West Bloomfield and Commerce and No. 2 of Novi, and School District No. 2 of Farmington, of the Township of Farmington, their successors and assigns, Defendants

At a session of said Court held at the Court House in the City of Pontiac, County of Oakland, State of Michigan, on the 12th day of October A. D. 1925.

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On reading and filing the Bill of Complaint duly filed in said cause, and the affidavit of Clinton McGee, from which it satisfactorily appears to the Court that the defendants above named, or their living or dead, or where, he, she or they may reside, if living, or whether the right, title, interest, claim, lien or possible right has been by them, or any of them assigned to any person or persons, and if dead whether he, she or they have personal representatives or heirs living or where they or some or any of them may reside, or whether such title, interest, claim, lien or possible right has been disposed of, or whether or not the present whereabouts of such persons, their heirs-at-law, personal representatives, devisees, legatees and assigns, are unknown and the Post Office addresses of none of them can be ascertained, nor can it be ascertained whether any of them are minors or incompetents:

On motion of Pelton and McGee, attorneys for plaintiff:

IT IS ORDERED that the appearance of each and all of the foregoing defendants be entered in this cause within three months from the date of this Order and in case of their appearance, or the appearance of any of them, that they cause their answer to the Bill of Complaint to be filed, and a copy served upon the attorneys for plaintiff within fifteen days after service upon them, or their attorneys, of a copy of said Bill, and in default thereof that said Bill be taken as confessed by the said defendants who shall fail to comply with the requirements of this Order.

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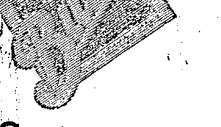
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thence East 56 rods to the East line of said section; thence North on said section line to the Northeast corner of said Section 6; thence West on the North line of said section to the place of beginning. Containing in the whole of said described parcel 118.53 acres of land, more or less.

PELTON AND MCGEE, Attorneys for Plaintiffs, First National Bank Bldg, Pontiac, Mich.

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