



**CHATS WITH THE Master Gardener**

Make sure that your soil is neither very sandy nor too heavy with clay, and pulverize it very thoroughly before planting. Flower seedlings are so tiny that they just can't get along in a cloddy soil. And they can't get along without food, either. They need eleven different food elements from the soil, and a lack of even one of these will cause trouble. So when you're preparing the seed bed, mix in some complete plant food—a food that supplies all eleven of the food elements growing things need from the soil in scientifically balanced proportions. Four pounds of food per 100 square feet—that's about a pint of it to every five by five plot—is a fine square meal for your flowers.

As for how to plant different varieties of flowers, it's a good idea to buy well-known, reliable brands of seeds, and follow the directions on the back of the packet carefully. Quite a few folks have had bad luck with their annuals because they forgot one fact—that most of these flowers need a lot of sun. If you want to grow flowers in partial shade, though, here are some good varieties for the purpose: snapdragons, corn-flowers, forget-me-nots, and pansies. Certain other varieties can stand long dry spells better than others, too. My experience has been that calendula, petunias, verbena, portulaca, centaurea, scabiosa, larkspur, and gailardia are the best of these.

Here's an interesting fact about flowers. For some reason, it tires flowers to form mature seeds, and once you let the blossoms wither on the plant and go to seed, the flowers are likely to stop blooming. So it pays to cut them regularly. Plant them carefully, weed them regularly, water them thoroughly, and cut them when they blossom. Following these four rules, plus one more—feed them a square meal—will give you a lovely flower garden this year and every year.

Obstinacy and vehemency in opinion are the surest proofs of stupidity.—Barton.

He that knows when to speak, knows too, when to be silent.—Archimedes.

**All the High Spots of the West in One Vacation**

With the big reductions in passenger fares that have been announced from time to time during the past two years, the railroads have made it possible for the average vacationists to see all the best of the West in one magic swing 'round a scenic circle. This circle takes the summer traveler westward through the Colorado Rockies via Rocky Mountain Limited through service between Chicago and San Francisco. The route threads its way over and around and—in the case of the famous Moffat Tunnel—under the mountains, skirting peaks that seem to poke holes in the clouds, winding in and out between the perpendicular walls of rock-ribbed canyons and unfolding a panorama of grandeur that can be seen nowhere else in America from the window of a passenger train. North of this route, within easy access, lies the stupendous uplift of Rocky Mountain National Park; to the south, the blood-red domes of the Sangre de Cristo range and San Isabel National Forest; to the south also, but four hundred miles farther west, Mesa Verde National Park and the mighty promontories to which the cliff-dwellers cemented their eerie homes a thousand years ago.

Beyond the Rockies Salt Lake City promises an interesting stop-over and an opportunity to visit Yellowstone Park, with its phenomenal geysers, cascades, canyons, colored pools and mud volcanoes. Then California, with two more National Parks, Yosemite and Sequoia, the Golden Strand of the Pacific and many popular resorts along the Coast all the way from San Francisco to Los Angeles and the site, this year, of the California-Pacific International Exposition—San Diego.

Returning via Rock Island-Southern Pacific Golden State Route, this circle penetrates a land that is new to many residents of the Mississippi Valley and the East—a succession of unusual scenes, romantic, exotic, colorful—varying in aspect from modern American to primitive Indian and bizarre Mexican and in splendor from the inspiring heights of Apache Trail to the glittering depths of Carlsbad Caverns, the most spectacular of all our National Parks.

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**Suit Started Over Death of Edward C. Moore**

Mrs. Hazel Moore of Highland Park, executrix of the estate of Edward C. Moore, music critic of the Chicago Tribune who died Oct. 6, 1935, while waiting for a train at Highland Park, today has on file in circuit court a complaint for \$10,000 against Joseph Komers, a taxicab driver, and Julius Lencioni, operator of the Ravinia Cab company, for an accident which occurred nearly 10 months before Moore died.

The complaint filed by Attorney Henry A. Blouin for Mrs. Moore, alleged that the accident which happened on Jan. 25, 1935, when Moore was riding in a cab driven by Komers and operated by the Ravinia Cab company caused injuries to Moore which led to his death.

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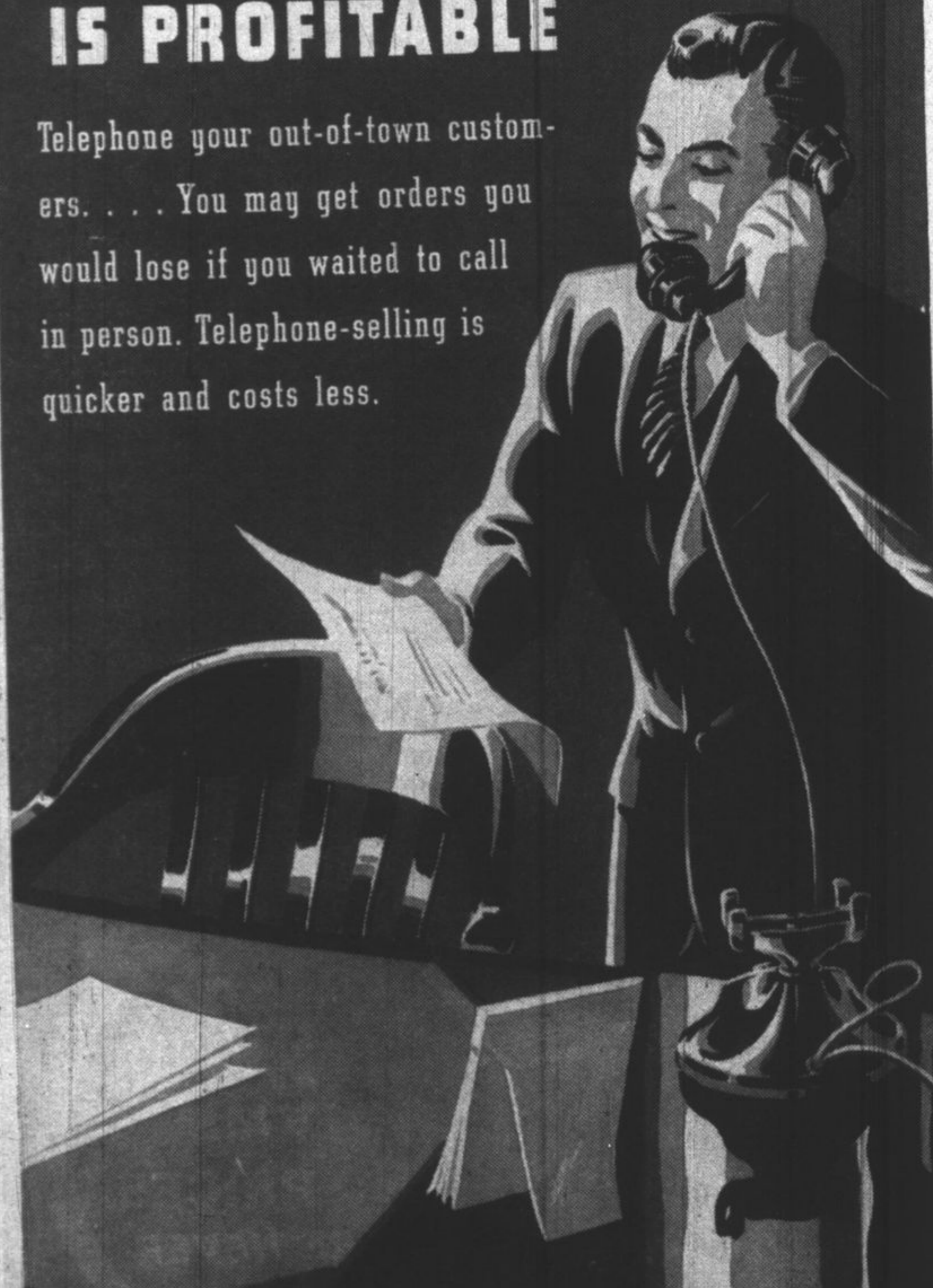
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