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### FRUIT GROWING IN NORTH CAROLINA

Interesting Report of the Weather Bureau of the Department of Agriculture.

Raleigh, N. C., May 26.—The thermal belts of Western North Carolina and their relation to fruit growing is the central theme of a new 106 page report by the Weather Bureau of the United States Department of Agriculture, a copy of which has just been received by Director B. W. Kilgore of the North Carolina Experiment Station.

The authors of this publication are Henry J. Cox, Meteorologist of the Bureau, and Prof. A. B. Huff, for years in charge of the horticultural work of the North Carolina Experiment Station and Department of Agriculture.

The report has a number of photographs showing orchard sections in Western North Carolina, many drawings showing the location of observation points and field stations, tables giving the different temperatures of that section, topographic maps, and other items of importance to persons interested in fruit growing in Western North Carolina.

The bulletin discusses the fruit growing area in which there is little dew and little frost or freezing on the eastern mountain slopes of Western North Carolina. It shows how different contours, table lands, valley floors or knobs affect the nocturnal breezes which keep the air from becoming still and the drainage which protects the fruit on cold nights, preventing the buds from freezing or being nipped by frost. The publication embraces years of study of this phenomena and, according to Dr. Kilgore, is one of the most interesting scientific publications recently issued relating to the future of fruit growing in that section.

After discussing the phenomena of the thermal belts, one of the authors, Mr. Cox, says:

"An ideal slope for fruit growing is of moderate elevation above sea level, the basic altitude varying of course in different portions of the country, fairly steep and culminating in a knob with no surrounding mountains, or if any, at least situated so far distant as to have no effect upon the temperature conditions of the slopes involved, such as Tryon, which warm because of the absence of opposing slope and because of the influence of the nocturnal breezes, although its upper levels are cold on account of the great area surrounding the summit."

"The subject of vegetation must be considered, dense vegetation being responsible for great loss of heat through radiation, and a cultivated orchard is therefore warmer than one planted in grass."

"The data presented in this study make plain the necessity for great care in the selection of a property for the purpose of fruit growing. The topography of a region is paramount. Frost pockets should be avoided and valley floors of all kinds as far as practicable, unless means are available for orchard heating. The altitude above sea level is in every case a consideration and, in a degree, the elevation above valley floor."

### The Old Maid's Hoard

By CHARLES E. BAXTER

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CANNON, the financier, was returning to his native village on a very curious errand.

First, about Cannon. Forty-four, tall, massive, jovial, cuffed, with the air of prosperity all about him, not a hard man in business, though a very successful one; Cannon, with a splendid house, a splendid wife, two fine children and an easy conscience.

Twelve years before, Cannon had left his native town and gone West. He had departed hurriedly, after an act that he had never liked thinking about. He had thought about it constantly, however, had brooded over it. And, like a shrewd business man, he had set off this worry against the consequences that would follow should he give himself up, and had decided to make restitution.

He would, in fact, have done so long before, but for the fact that it was a very difficult thing to do.

He had boarded with an old maid, a woman of advanced age, and had discovered that she had a secret hoard of gold under a loose board in the garret. He had appropriated a hundred dollars with which to make his journey West. He was returning to repay this amount with handsome interest to her heirs.

He was going to confess the matter frankly, and to offer two hundred and fifty.

He pictured the outcry that must have followed his departure. He was undoubtedly "wanted." Cannon felt that he was doing a very rash and daring thing.

The little town had hardly changed since the days of his departure. The little cottage in which he had boarded was still standing, looking a little more dilapidated, the shingles a little more sagging, that was all. Cannon rang the bell. An old man came to the door.

"Does Miss Neil live here?" asked Cannon.

"Miss Neil?" The old man shook his head. "I guess you mean the old woman that used to own this place," he said. "She's been dead years now—five or six years, I guess?"

"Then you're the owner?"

"No, I ain't the owner. It was bought up by the Trust company. They let me live here for five dollars a month till it's sold, so as not to let the place run down."

"I used to board with Miss Neil," said Cannon. "I'm spending the night in town and wondered whether you could put me up."

"Be you, Mr. Cannon?" asked the old man. "Why, is that so? I remember the old woman used to speak of a gentleman used to board with her, saying how she missed him. But I'm getting old, and I can't remember much except for the things that happened long ago. You're welcome to what I can offer you, which ain't much."

Cannon felt greatly relieved as he followed his guest inside the cottage. Evidently, if ever he had been wanted, the affair had been forgotten. The old man gave him a poor sort of supper, and told him he could sleep in one of the rooms. The furniture was just as it had been; nothing was changed since Miss Neil's death, except that it all looked more dilapidated.

"Miss Neil didn't leave any heirs, did she?" Cannon asked.

"Not as I ever heard of. The Trust company got this place at auction. There has been some talk of building a new house, but I dunno. And I don't care, so long as they let me stay here. I been here three years now, and threatened men live long, they say."

Cannon decided that he would have to make restitution to the Trust company.

But that night he could not sleep, and, like the murderer drawn back toward the scene of his crime, he felt the instinct to go up to the attic to see the scene of his robbery. About two in the morning he rose and went stealthily up the creaking stairs.

Yes, there was the attic, exactly as he had left it. And there was the loose board, under which Miss Neil had concealed her hoard. What had she done with it?

He pried the board up. Heavens! There was the little bag, chock-full of gold dollars, just as he had left it.

Miss Neil had died with her hoard—and probably his theft—undiscovered. There must be a thousand dollars there.

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Atlanta Constitution.

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Prof. Cox, who is a graduate of Auburn and Cornell universities, and a widely known chemist, has been conducting experiments for several years in an effort to perfect a practical and effective poison and combatting the boll weevil.

That his process is a success is proved, he states, by the fact that he has used it on his own 1,800-acre plantation for the last two years and has been able to grow cotton under the same normal conditions that existed before this section of the country became infested with the weevil.

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**One of Trio Hit by Auto Killed.**  
New Bern, May 26.—His skull crushed when run down by an automobile driven by Guy Gaskins, white, Robert Allison Waddell, five-year-old son of Mrs. Alberta Ulrich Waddell, died in a local hospital at noon, an hour after the accident near the victim's home on Johnson street.

Witnesses, who attached no blame to Mr. Gaskins, said the child stepped from behind an ice wagon directly into the path of the machine which was drawing a trailer loaded with brick and was running at a low rate of speed.

Suffering from the shock of the tragedy, Mrs. Waddell said this was her third child to be run down by automobiles the other two having recovered.

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