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**Some Stories of How Farm Women are Trying to Beat the Boll Weevil
by Adding to the Family Income.**

The agents in the eastern part of the state because of the advent of the boll weevil have felt it necessary to lay emphasis on income earning features for the housewife, and many are the stories of what has been accomplished along this line.

The story of Mrs. Peele a club woman from Wayne county is interesting- "I live ten miles from town and have been a home demonstration club member for several years. After the arrival of the boll weevil we heard so much about hard times that we almost decided to go to town, but we love country life and wish to raise our four children to sturdy manhood and womanhood on the farm. Talking it over decided us to stick to the country and try our luck with small fruits, a good home orchard, a garden and chickens. I have always been able to dispose of my surplus canned products at a good profit, therefore, I planted more tomatoes, corn and okra for soup mixture as this is a top notch seller. We brought necessary pruning knives and spray material and gave our young orchard a good pruning and spraying. The trees for this orchard were purchased with premium ^{on}oney I won when I first began to can. I bought a pressure cooker, sanitary cans and a sealer and told my oldest daughter, 14 years of age, and her sister, eleven, that they could have what they could make helping me can. My boy of eight was paid as general helper. The oldest girl also had a share in the poultry. As a result the girls and I won in premiums at the various fairs \$194.00. I have sold \$100.00 in one month of soup mixture and had calls for 15 dozen more. Of jams, jellies and pickles I sold \$75.00 worth and still have 344 quarts of seventy varieties for home use.

We have screened our canning shed and storage room which will make things easier by saving energy and time and with the increase from the orchard and small fruit patch another year we hope to still live on the farm in spite of the boll weevil".

Cumberland county reports a club woman as having won in premiums \$176.73 from pantry exhibits at fairs while 26 club women won premiums in some other department. In fact the secretary of the county fair appeared before the County Council and distributed checks amounting to \$500.00.

One farmer and his wife won \$400.00 in premiums at the state and county fair and best of all demonstrated to people how diversified farming could be done in his county.

The Greene county agent reports the happiness brought to a semi invalid girl who was taught the art of making baskets and which she exhibits and sells through a local doctor's office.

A woman reports as much income derived from the sale of turkeys and pecans on the farm as anything else.

From Transylvania a far mountain county comes the following from the home agent: I have engaged butter for many farm women with families in town and with Brevard Institute through the winter months. This institution will not take butter from anyone until I have visited the home, approved the sanitary conditions and shown them how to pack the butter. This strengthens my work greatly. We have about twenty orders on hand now for rag rugs for summer tourists which will give my women employment for the long winter nights and help them make money for the necessities of life. One man in a mill village said, "Miss Clarke, you are going to work my old lady to death. You got her so crazy on making up these rags you bring here. After she works hard all day she uses every spare minute dying the rage and sets up all night working them into rugs"

Forsyth county says: "One of our club women furnishes twelve families in the city with fresh fruits, vegetables, milk, butter, cream and eggs. She

tells me she sells to one customer as much as \$60.00 worth some months, and averages \$25.00 worth each month the year around. Another club member has four regular customers to whom she sells milk and vegetables. Another member furnishes all the brooms used by Salem College. This year she made 500 brooms at an average of sixty-five cents each. This woman has made and sold two dozen pairs of socks at sixty-five cents a pair.

CLOTHING

No. counties reporting clothing work	39
<i>Total</i> No. demonstrations in clothing work.....	5204
No. dresses made.....	25129
No. dresses repaired.....	3382
No. dresses remodeled.....	6595
No. waists made.....	3459
No. dress skirts.....	2799
No. dress accessories.....	9603
No. demonstrations given in dressmaking.....	1650
No. " " " plain sewing.....	540
No. undergarments made.....	11606
No. dress forms made.....	2811
No. demonstrations in selection of clothing.....	445
No. demonstrations following dress design instructions in line, design and color.....	1929
No. demonstrations given in millinery.....	640
No. hats made.....	5242
No. hats trimmed.....	3109
No. hats refurbished.....	1642
No. hats cleaned.....	1276