

Apple farmer earns Shs72m

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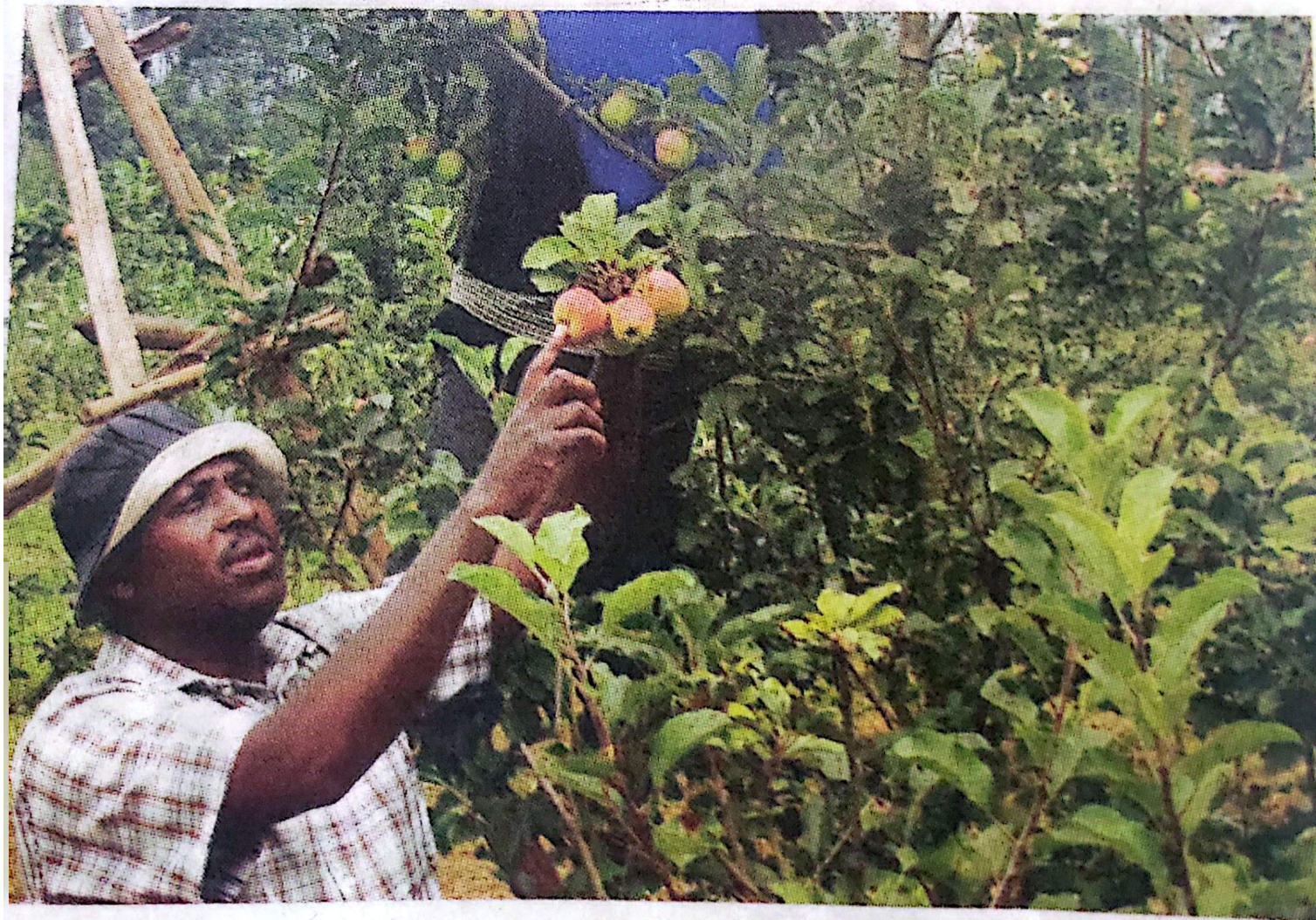
A Kabale farmer ably identified as Denis Tugume is smiling like the proverbial ear to ear dog after pocketing Shs72m this year from selling apple fruits to major markets in Uganda.

Tugume a resident of Kitumba sub-county has been growing the fruits since 2012. He says this has been the best year since venturing into the enterprise.

"This year, each plant has given me about 400 apple fruits," says Tugume.

With the apples raking in a fortune, Tugume is planning to expand his farm base. He has already planted trees such the eucalyptus and pine. He has also invested some money in developing a coffee plantation worth Shs5m.

The crop continues to gain popularity according to Johnson Baguma the Kabale district secretary for production with about 200 farmers getting involved in the enterprise.



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