

Pearson's Little Booklet Reviewed

Review By Miss Ruth Linney In Published In Charlotte Newspaper

The book page of The Charlotte News, which is edited by Walter Spearman, carried last Sunday a review of "Fifty Acres," James Larkin Pearson's 1933 booklet of verses. The headlines are "Mr. Spearman's."

"Fifty Acres" Is Poetry By N. C. Farmer

Fifty Acres. By James Larkin Pearson. Pearson Publishing Co., Wilkesboro, N. C. 44 pp. 25 cents.

Reviewed by Ruth Linney

In "Fifty Acres," James Larkin Pearson, of Boomer, N. C., widely known as "The Mountain Poet of North Carolina," has gathered and printed with his own press, besides the title poem, rather universally praised and quoted since its appearance in the New York Times, the nearly equally notable "Sea-Wind" and "Choice" and several others worthy of praise—"Today," "Duel," "Kindred," "Utterance," "Not By Bread Alone" and "Rebellion." For many years Mr. Pearson, who is in his fifties, has had occasional poems appearing in

the larger newspapers and magazines; he is the author of at least two other books, "Castle Gates," and "Pearson's Poems," is a printer, a farmer, and a newspaper man; some of his poems have been translated into several languages and received favorable comment even in foreign reviews, though he has received little blatant celebrity, particularly at home, and little financial success.

If for no other reason, his poems would be remarkable for their perfection of form, for their unusual music, and for giving back to a jaded language a pristine vividness and tellingness of expression, as if the exactly right words came singing out of the blue, or waiving up from the land of shipwrecks. And if adversity sometimes produces a slightly grudging and vengeful austerity, where going through hell would have produced a "Divine Comedy" from a poet of the stature of Dante, it is more often that Mr. Pearson's verse blossoms into the naive, fresh-colored anthropomorphism, with a painter's sensitivity, illustrated in the famed "Homer in a Garden" and "Fifty Acres."

James Larkin Pearson hugs to himself the brand of "plain living and high thinking" in which Wordsworth and Dorothy delighted in the Lake Country. Strange as it may seem to urban and more successful writers, he is almost unique in living the ideal poet's life as laid down by Wordsworth in the "Lyrical Ballads." He has, too, the poverty of Minnesingers but in more bitter guise, and some of the simplicity and earthy fancy of Walther von der Vogelweide. Though more trammelled by responsibility and moros than they, he, more than perhaps any other modern poet, is a descendant of the troubadours and the earlier gleemen.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

Having qualified as administrator, c. t. a. d. b. n. of the estate of Miss Mary Gwyn, deceased, late of Wilkes County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased, to exhibit them to the undersigned at North Wilkesboro, N. C., on or before the 29th day of August, 1934, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This 29th day of Aug., 1933.

R. W. GWYN, Admr., c. t. a. d. b. n. Estate of Miss Mary Gwyn, deceased. 10-5-33

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

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This 29th day of Aug., 1933.

J. E. BROWN, Administrator of the Estate of J. T. Alexander, deceased, Hays, N. C. 10-5-33.

A. H. Casey, Atty.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

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This 29th day of Aug., 1933.

R. W. GWYN, Admr., c. t. a. d. b. n. Estate of Miss Catherine Louise Gwyn, deceased. 10-5-33

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

Having qualified as administrator, c. t. a. d. b. n. of the estate of W. A. Gwyn, deceased, late of Wilkes County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased, to exhibit them to the undersigned at North Wilkesboro, North Carolina, on or before the 29th day of August, 1934, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This 29th day of Aug., 1933.

R. W. GWYN, Admr., c. t. a. d. b. n. Estate of W. A. Gwyn, deceased. 10-5-33

NOTICE OF SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

North Carolina, Wilkes County, In the Superior Court.

Lester Carson on behalf of all others similarly situated, by his next friend, Logan Carson vs. C. E. Jenkins, Barney Cleary, Home Missions Presbyterian Church of the United States; C. L. Kennedy, J. M. Quinn and W. C. Greer, Trustees for Wilkes County Post of American Legion No. 125; and Mrs. W. R. Absher, Mrs. A. W. Horton and Mrs. J. E. Turner, Trustees of American Legion Auxiliary.

The defendant Home Missions Presbyterian Church of the United States above named will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of said Wilkes County in North Carolina to debar and exclude the said defendant from any and all rights in a tract of land situate in the aforementioned county; and the said defendant will further take notice that it is required to appear at the office of the Clerk of Superior Court of said county at the courthouse in Wilkesboro, N. C. within thirty days from the completion of this service and answer or demur to the complaint in said action, or the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in said complaint.

PEARL STROUD, Asst. Clerk Superior Court. This 4th day of Sept., 1933. 2-23-41-pd.

Domestic Blueberries After Fifteen Years



Miss Elizabeth White, (right) of Lisbon, N. J., assisted U. S. Department of Agriculture experts for 15 years in developing a new and mammoth cultivate blueberry before the first commercial crop was sent to market this season. This crop was grown by a co-operative group in New Jersey. It is declared this new cultivated berry will make possible the reclaiming of thousands of acres of waste bog land.

BUILDING STRIKES NEW YEARLY HIGH IN DIXIE STATES

Baltimore — Construction contracts reached a new yearly high in the south last month.

Figures compiled by the Manufacturers Record daily construction bulletin show that contracts valued at \$29,351,000 were awarded in August. Only lettings of \$10,000 and up were included in the figure. That total is the greatest showing in the construction field in 1933.

August contracts for industrial plants aggregated \$16,151,000. New breweries were prominent in construction activities, the bulletin says. Other fields included textiles, refrigeration for steamships and rayon projects.

Awards for sewers, etc., totaled \$398,000 last month and compared with \$230,000 in July. Last month's contracts for homes totaled \$1,521,000.

Residential construction "continues at a high level in the south," the bulletin reported.

Federal, state and municipal projects brought \$2,405,000 worth of contracts in August. General building brought \$2,936,000. Highway projects brought \$5,523,000 and industrial and engineering projects brought \$18,478,000.

A total of \$46,859,000 is on the books in contracts to be awarded soon.

HOOVER LAUDS VISCOUNT

Sacramento, Cal.—Former President Hoover paid tribute last week to the late Viscount Grey of Fallodon, British foreign secretary during the World war. Mr. Hoover's statement said: "All Americans give Viscount Grey a high place in history by which he ameliorated many of its dreadful results."

Announcement

R. F. C. Buys Stock In Bank To Be Located At Oxford

Washington, Sept. 6.—Directors of the Reconstruction Finance corporation announced today they have authorized the purchase of \$50,000 worth of preferred stock in the First National Bank of Granville and Oxford, the new bank to succeed the First National Bank of Granville, which was located at Oxford.

The preferred stock purchase authorization is contingent upon the subscription of an equal amount of common stock by those interested in the organization of a new bank.

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Rev. I. D. Ferguson Takes His Own Life

Well Known Baptist Minister Shoots Self At His Home At Mount Airy

Mount Airy, Sept. 6.—Rev. Ira D. Ferguson, 40, well known Baptist minister, shot himself to death at his home on Banks street here about 10 o'clock this morning. The fatal shot was fired with a shotgun, the charge entering the heart to cause instant death. The act was attributed to despondency due to ill health.

Rev. Mr. Ferguson was a native of Surry county, being born a few miles south of this city on February 16, 1893, the son of Tate and Hattie Gibson Ferguson. After living for several years in Rockingham county, he returned to this section about 10 years ago and had lived here and at Pilot Mountain since that time.

He had been in the Baptist ministry for about 10 years, being at the time of his death pastor of three churches in this section of the state. They were Antioch church, several miles north of this city; Bean Shoals in south Surry, and the Wallburg church in Davidson county.

He is survived by his wife and two children, Mrs. Ruby Westmoreland and Ralph Ferguson, all of Mount Airy; his mother, Mrs. Hattie Ferguson, of Leaksville; four sisters, Mrs. Beverly Clark, Mrs. Tom Meeks, Mrs. Andrews Gibson and Mrs. Mamie Jones, all of Leaksville, and two half-brothers, Richard Ferguson, of Lemon Springs, and Sales Ferguson, whose address is unknown.

Funeral service will be held from the First Baptist church, this city, Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock with Rev. R. L. West, of Thomasville, and Rev. M. F. Boone, pastor of the Haymore Memorial church, this city, in charge. Interment will be made in Oakdale cemetery here.

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STORKS

Miami, Fla.—The American Red Cross launched from here last week a state-wide drive for funds to relieve suffering in the belt cut across the state by last Monday's storm, while Governor Shoalts in Washington sought federal aid for victims.

More than half the plate glass used in the United States goes into the automobile construction.

Blind crayfish, found in caves, have developed long claws on their claws which act as sense organs and take the place of eyes in detecting prey.

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