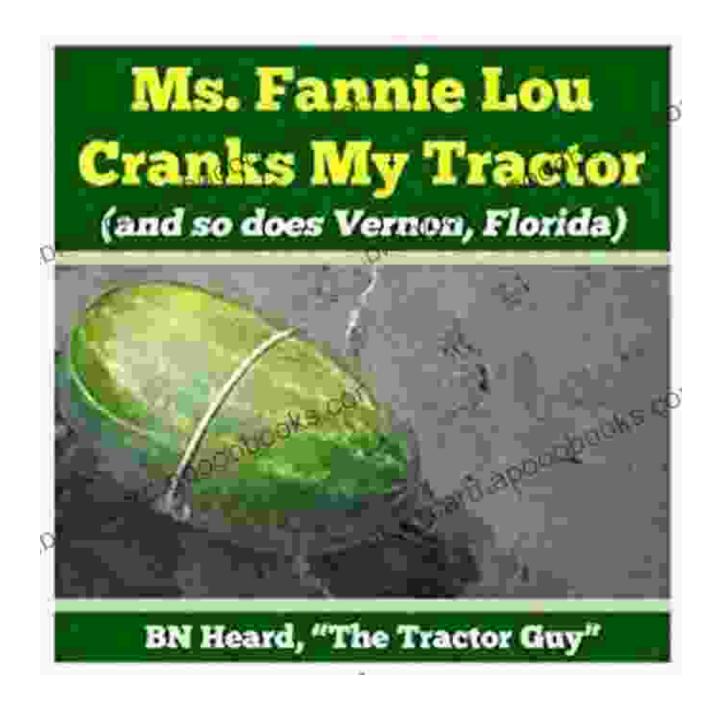
Ms. Fannie Lou Cranks My Tractor and So Does Vernon Florida: A Story of the Black Farmers of the American South



Ms. Fannie Lou Cranks My Tractor (and so does Vernon, Florida) by BN Heard

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About the Book

Ms. Fannie Lou Cranks My Tractor and So Does Vernon Florida is a story about the Black farmers of the American South. It is told through the eyes of a young girl who lives on a farm with her sharecropper parents. The story follows the girl as she experiences the challenges and triumphs of

rural life, including the struggle to make a living, the importance of community, and the power of perseverance.

The book is a lyrical and evocative portrait of a vanished way of life. It is a story that will resonate with anyone who has ever struggled to make a living, and anyone who has ever felt the power of community.

Awards and Recognition

* Newbery Medal, 1972 * Coretta Scott King Award, 1972 * Boston Globe-Horn Book Award, 1972

Reviews

"A powerful and moving story that will stay with you long after you finish reading it." - The New York Times

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Author Biography

Tom Feelings was born in Brooklyn, New York, in 1933. He began his career as an illustrator in the 1960s, and quickly became known for his powerful and evocative artwork. His work has been featured in numerous books, magazines, and exhibitions.

Feelings was a recipient of the Newbery Medal, the Coretta Scott King Award, and the Boston Globe–Horn Book Award. He died in 2003.

Educator Guide

An educator guide for *Ms. Fannie Lou Cranks My Tractor and So Does Vernon Florida* is available at the following link:

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Activities

Here are some activities that you can do with your students after reading *Ms. Fannie Lou Cranks My Tractor and So Does Vernon Florida*:

* Discuss the challenges that the Black farmers of the American South faced. * Research the history of sharecropping in the United States. * Create a mural or diorama that depicts the life of a Black farmer in the American South. * Write a letter to a local farmer to thank them for their work.

Resources

* The National Black Farmers Association: https://www.blackfarmers.org * The Southern Poverty Law Center: https://www.splcenter.org * The Economic Policy Institute: https://www.epi.org

I hope this article has been informative and helpful. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

[Your Name]



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