Hot Afternoons Have Been in Montana Poems

by Eli Siegel

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Hot Afternoons Have Been in Montana: Poems by Eli Siegel (Definition Press, 107 pp.), is the first book of verse by a poet who has been writing for more than 70 years. It was published in 1925 and won the National Poetry Prize. The book contains 36 poems, each with a title and a short subtitle, ranging in length from one line to 16 lines. The poems are arranged in four sections, each with a different theme: Nature, Love, War, and Politics.

The poems in the book are characterized by their simplicity and directness. Siegel's use of language is concise and effective, and his imagery is vivid and powerful. The poems are written in a free verse form, with a variety of rhythms and meters.

The book is a testament to Siegel's talent as a poet and his ability to capture the essence of the moment. The poems are filled with observations about the natural world, reflections on love and relationships, and commentary on the political and social issues of the time.

The book has been praised for its simplicity and directness, and is considered a classic of modern American poetry. It has been reprinted many times and is still widely read today. The poems in the book continue to resonate with readers, and are a testament to the enduring power of poetry.