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### Editorial Review

From Library Journal

In this duo from 1974 and 1969, respectively, Reed takes on two great American genres—the private detective story and the Western. A satiric look at 1960s politics, Louisiana Red follows private eye Papa LaBas as he investigates the murder of the owner of a gumbo joint. *Yellow Back* is more of a parody of a Western than a true white hat/black hat shoot-'em-up; it is presented in an unusual style with characters such as the outlaw the Loop Garoo Kid and nympho mail-order bride Mustache Sal.

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### Review

“Literary surrealism has invaded Marlboro Country . . . Reed skins all our sacred cows. He scalps every hero who wanders by. He turns the American West into a ribald hell where iron-jawed hogs eat people, the devil swings like a hopped-up defrocked padre, and the great emissaries of Christian doctrine behave like a purple-robed Mafia. Ishmael Reed has mastered the vocabulary of blasphemy.” (Life)

“Ishmael Reed is a most talented humorist and possessor of a powerfully antic and lyric imagination . . . *Yellow Back Radio Broke-Down* should be read as hard evidence of Reed's uncommon talent.” (New Yorker)

“Swings with the poetry of slang, bop talk and a solo scat singer traversing 47 miles of barbed wire with a cobra snake for a necktie.” (Rolling Stone)

“*Yellow Back Radio Broke-Down* is a traditional revenge Western shot full of holes and stood on its head. Mr. Reed narrates this perversely wacky story in machine-gun bursts of loose-jointed, irreverent prose, occasionally tinged with good-natured obscenity. The effect is precisely as if a bunch of black kids at Lincoln Center had raided the costume room, dressed up as Thomas Jefferson, Lewis and Clark, Lyndon Johnson and the Pope, and improvised *How the West Was Won* for skit night.” (New York Times)

“A wild and wicked burlesque and free-wheeling fantasy . . . The American scene, past and present, with all its inconsistencies and white vanity, takes it on the chin and so does Christianity, for the Loop Garoo Kid, it turns out, is not only a black superman, but the devil incarnate—and he's a-winnin' out.” (Publishers Weekly)

“*Yellow Back Radio Broke-Down* is a full blown 'horse opera,' a surrealistic spoof of the Western with Indian chiefs aboard helicopters, stagecoaches and closed circuit TVs, cavalry charges of taxis.” (New York Review of Books)

### About the Author

Ishmael Reed is the author of over twenty-five books including *Mumbo Jumbo*, *The Last Days of Louisiana Red*, *Yellow Back Radio Broke-Down* and *Juice!*. He is also a publisher, television producer, songwriter, radio and television commentator, lecturer, and has long been devoted to exploring an alternative black aesthetic: the trickster tradition, or Neo-Hoodooism as he calls it. Founder of the Before Columbus Foundation, he taught at the University of California, Berkeley for over thirty years, retiring in 2005. In 2003, he received the coveted Otto Award for political theater.

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