

# Books that make things happen.

Readers International announces a remarkable series in contemporary world literature. Each hardcover volume, by subscription, is just \$7.95 (Retail prices average \$13.35).

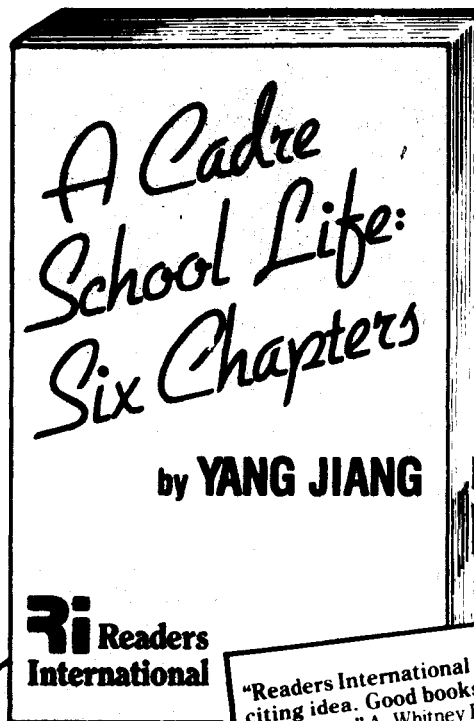
IT IS 1970, in China's Henan Province. At the height of the Cultural Revolution. There the elderly woman scholar Yang Jiang spends two years laboring in the barren world of a cadre school for political "reeducation."

Out of a national ordeal that changed the lives of twenty million Chinese intellectuals, Yang Jiang has created a timeless and beautiful meditation. For the first time, the Cultural Revolution is brought close to us in the West, just as we experienced the Gulag in the simple, personal prose of *One Day in the Life of Ivan Denisovich*.

Go next to Soweto: The children of South Africa's shanty towns struggle in revolt. The noted black poet Siphos Sepamla is first to cast these events in a novel. An instant bestseller in 1981 in South Africa, the government moved swiftly to stop further editions. Now *A Ride on the Whirlwind* returns to print, here and in South Africa.

Closer to home, Nicaragua in the Somoza era is dramatically recreated in *To Bury Our Fathers*. This is the panoramic novel by Sergio Ramirez, Nicaragua's leading prose writer, regarded in Latin America as a literary peer of Garcia Marquez and Cortazar. Here is his finest imaginative work.

These are worlds we cannot hope to see except through literature. And now such groundbreaking books are available at last in outstanding English translations commissioned for Readers International's non-profit publishing program.



"Readers International is an exciting idea. Good books — and a good cause." A. Whitney Ellsworth, Publisher, *The New York Review of Books*

Your subscription begins with *A Cadre School Life: Six Chapters* by Yang Jiang.

It is a lucid, moving account of the Cultural Revolution. The *Times Literary Supplement* called it "an outstanding book, quite unlike anything from 20th century China...superbly translated"

It will be followed, every other month, by a new volume. Each is priced for you at \$7.95. (Retail prices in parentheses.)

**South Africa:** *A Ride on the Whirlwind* by Siphos Sepamla (\$12.50).

**Nicaragua:** *To Bury our Fathers* by Sergio Ramirez (\$15.00).

**Czechoslovakia:** *My Merry Mornings* by Ivan Klima (\$15.00).

**Palestine:** *Najran Below Zero* by Yahya Yakhluf (\$12.50).

**Chile:** *I Dreamt the Snow Was Burning* by Antonio Skarmeta (\$15.00).

any time you wish to cancel, simply notify RI in writing.

How does RI select the books? Instrumental in these decisions is our Advisory Board — translators, editors, and writers from around the world, including

Dennis Brutus, Eduardo Galeano, Nawal al Saadawi, Edward Said, and Josef Skvorecky. And the books are further distinguished in several ways:

Each was initially banned or censored at home: RI is particularly committed to conserving literature in danger.

Each is current — from the past 10 years.

And each book is new to readers here — although many have been acclaimed in European editions.

Your subscription assures you of a powerfully good read every two months. It also assures some of the world's most gifted, original writers the means of being heard in today's most powerful international language, English. Please return the coupon right away to receive your first book.

I DREAMT THE SNOW WAS BURNING	SKARMETA
A RIDE ON THE WHIRLWIND	SEPAMLA
MY MERRY MORNINGS	KLIMA
NAJRAN BELOW ZERO	YAKHLUF
TO BURY OUR FATHERS	RAMIREZ

## READERS INTERNATIONAL

Subscriber Service Department, PO Drawer E, Columbia, LA 71418

Please begin my subscription to RI's new series, beginning with *A Cadre School Life: Six Chapters*. Every other month I receive a new book — each at the \$7.95 subscriber price, plus \$1.00 for postage. At any time I may cancel my subscription simply by writing to you.

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_  
 My check for \$8.95 payable to Readers International is enclosed. Bill my  Mastercard or  VISA for \$8.95. Account # \_\_\_\_\_  
 Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

I wish to charge each volume, as I receive them, to my credit card number above.  
**A SPECIAL SAVINGS:** I want to save money, and save RI the cost of billing me, by paying \$36.00 for a charter subscription for all six volumes.  I enclose my check for \$42.00, including postage.  Bill my credit card number above.