

In all modesty but in simple justice to my colleagues, I must say that it was a hard-working Committee. My gracious deputy chairman, Senator Louis Beaubien; our diligent whip, Senator William Petten; and the other members of our steering committee, Senators Charles McElman, Harry Hays, and John Macdonald, were always available. Every member of the Committee made a useful and effective contribution and I shall always be grateful to each of them: Senators Romuald Bourque, Douglas D. Everett, Mary Kinnear, J. Harper Prowse, Josie Quart, Donald Smith, H. O. Sparrow, Frank C. Welch, and Paul Yuzyk.

Our study began with an intensive research programme under the able direction of Nicola Kendall. Much of this research is appended to this report; that which is not has been made available to the libraries of the University of Western Ontario and Carleton University, which have departments of journalism.

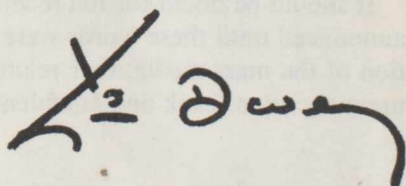
We regret that it was not possible in the time at our disposal to include the situation of the Canadian book-publishing industry in the Committee's study. It deserves attention, because this industry is encountering serious financial difficulties and appears to be coming increasingly under foreign control. We believe it is urgently necessary to consider whether this industry—like banking, uranium, broadcasting, and newspaper and periodical publishing—should not be declared off-limits to foreign takeovers.

Throughout our hearings, which began on December 9, 1969 and concluded on April 24, 1970, we received briefs from some 500 companies, organizations, and individuals. One hundred and twenty-five witnesses appeared personally before our Committee. The value of our hearings was greatly enhanced by the effective performance of our counsel, L. Yves Fortier.

Two staff people deserve special recognition. One of these, Borden Spears, is a newspaperman's newspaperman. As our indefatigable executive consultant, he helped to bridge any credibility gap that may have existed between fifteen Senators and those who collectively comprise the mass media. Marianne Barrie, our administrative director, routinely performed the impossible.

In the deliberative and report-writing phase of our operation we were greatly assisted by Alexander Ross, Gilles Constantineau, and Peter Smith. Our research assistant, Cecile Suchal, was invaluable throughout. We are deeply indebted to the efficiency and devotion of our hard-pressed secretarial staff, Peggy Pownall and Judy Walenstein. It was an effective team, in whose assembly I take great pride. And we owe much to the unfailing assistance of my secretary, Elizabeth Nesbitt, and of Mr. Walter Dean and the staff of the Senate.

The press we need, or the press we deserve? No thoughtful analysis could offer a definitive answer. I present *The Uncertain Mirror*.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "K. Davey". The signature is stylized with a large, sweeping initial "K" and a long, curved tail.