

Contents

Acknowledgments vi

Introduction: “Peglerized” 1

1. The Columnist: A Crusading Journalist 15
 2. The Outfit: Organized Crime and Labor Racketeering 37
 3. Browne, Bioff, and Scalise: The Dynamics of Union Corruption 59
 4. The Hollywood Case: Racketeering in the 1930s from a Business Perspective 83
 5. Union Members and Corruption: Exploitation and Disillusionment 103
 6. Union Members and Corruption: The Potential for Reform 119
 7. The Newsmen: “Molders of Public Opinion” 147
 8. The Scandal’s Political Impact: Pegler and Antiunionism 175
 9. “Labor Must Clean House”: The Challenge of Responding to Pegler 205
- Conclusion: Opportunities Lost and Opportunities Taken 233
- Notes 255
- Index 319