

Reviews | *The Soong Dynasty*

“Absolutely fascinating. It reads like a novel but is much better than any novel. A tremendous though tragic story, marvelously told.”

-- Professor Edwin O. Reischauer, Harvard University

“A gripping book. It is the bringing together of the multitudinous threads and weaving them into a coherent, chronological and dramatic form that has been his most significant achievement... It is all here and the cumulative effect is devastating.”

-- John Fraser, front page, *Washington Post Book World*

“Fast-paced and jammed with racy details and incident... engrossing to anyone who has ever attempted to filter through the mass of detail and conjecture, fact and rumor and bare-faced lying we must draw on for studies of China.”

-- Jonathan Spence, front page, *New York Times Book Review*

“Mr. Seagrave is a fine investigative reporter – digging up information from a multitude of sources, much of it original, and piecing together a gripping account of epochal events. ... a marvelous job.”

-- Frank Ching, *The Wall Street Journal*

“Brings much pungent material to light... unravelled with fluency and flair.”

-- Pico Iyer, *TIME*

“Seagrave knows China, and has caught the atmosphere of that weird, melancholy place ... he has shed light on so many dark places, and turned a difficult piece of history into an engrossing narrative.”

--*Daily Telegraph*

“A wide-screen epic that shows a breathtaking depth of villainy... Seagrave has a flair for telling a gripping story and for bringing back to life characters that had been reduced to stilted stereotypes by layers of propaganda.”

– *New Society*

“Seagrave’s marathon probe includes much new evidence... It is an important segment of world history.”

– Devlin Murphy, *The Irish Times*