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IF THE U.S. House Judiciary Committee issues a bill of impeachment, New American Library will be ready to publish it within 24 to 36 hours of the time it is announced, possibly at the end of July. The paperback publication will contain a complete, uncut version of the report, prepared along with the staffs of United Press International and The World Almanac. How NAL will be able to bring it out so quickly is still a secret.

The book, which will be fully indexed, is entitled *The Impeachment Report*, from the Committee on the Judiciary of the House of Representatives, Peter W. Rodino Jr., chairman, with commentary by Helen Thomas, White House correspondent for UPI. It will also include background information on past impeachment, according to Elaine Geiger, vice president and editor-in-chief at NAL. The first printing will probably be a million copies, to be sold at \$1.95 each, according to Geiger.

Bantam announced it will publish the final report with the staff of The New York Times, as soon as it is released. The details are not yet known.

The Washington Post and Dell are preparing to publish an instant paperback within two days after the House vote on impeachment, according to William B. Dickinson Jr., editorial director of The Washington Post Writers Group. The heart of the book will be the House debate on impeachment, and it may include portions of the Rodino committee report and the upcoming Supreme Court decision.