

GRADUATE SCHOOL OF BUSINESS AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION
Cornell University

BPA 108
PVR-60-10

BRIEF BIBLIOGRAPHY ON AMERICAN POLITICS AND
POLITICAL INSTITUTIONS

1. History

Nevins and Commager, A SHORT HISTORY OF THE UNITED STATES (Mod. Lib. ed.)
William Miller, A HISTORY OF THE UNITED STATES (paper)
Morrison and Commager, GROWTH OF THE AMERICAN REPUBLIC (2 vols.)
Charles Beard, RISE OF AMERICAN CIVILIZATION
Eric F. Goldman, RENDEZVOUS WITH DESTINY (reform, Civil War to 1950)
Eric F. Goldman, THE CRUCIAL DECADE, 1945-55
Richard Hofstadter, THE AMERICAN POLITICAL TRADITION (study of a dozen or
so prominent political figures)
Richard Hofstadter, THE AGE OF REFORM (Bryan to FDR)
Clinton Rossiter, SEEDTIME OF THE REPUBLIC (Revolutionary period)
C. Van Woodward, REUNION AND REACTION (post-Civil War period)
John S. Blum, THE REPUBLICAN ROOSEVELT (TR)
Arthur S. Link, several volumes on Woodrow Wilson and Wilsonian period
Herbert Hoover, THE MEMOIRS OF HERBERT HOOVER (3 vols.)
Arthur Schlesinger, Jr., THE CRISIS OF THE OLD ORDER
William Allen White, AUTOBIOGRAPHY OF WILLIAM ALLEN WHITE (1900-40)
Lincoln Steffens, AUTOBIOGRAPHY (1900-1935)
Henry Adams, EDUCATION OF HENRY ADAMS (1865-1910)
James M. Burns, THE LION AND THE FOX (FDR)
Rexford G. Tugwell, THE DEMOCRATIC ROOSEVELT (FDR)
Harry S. Truman, MEMOIRS (2 vols.)
Robert J. Donovan, EISENHOWER: THE INSIDE STORY

2. Classics

THE FEDERALIST (Hamilton, Madison, Jay)
Alexis de Tocqueville, DEMOCRACY IN AMERICA (2 vols.) (1830's)
John C. Calhoun, DISQUISITION ON GOVERNMENT (prior to Civil War)
Woodrow Wilson, CONGRESSIONAL GOVERNMENT (1890's)
Lord Bryce, THE AMERICAN COMMONWEALTH (editions from 1890's to 1920)

3. Political Thought

See Calhoun, Hofstadter, and Rossiter above
Clinton Rossiter, CONSERVATISM IN AMERICA
Louis Hartz, THE LIBERAL TRADITION IN AMERICA
Ralph H. Gabriel, THE COURSE OF AMERICAN DEMOCRATIC THOUGHT
Walter Lippman, THE PUBLIC PHILOSOPHY
Carl Becker, FREEDOM AND RESPONSIBILITY

4. The Presidency

Clinton Rossiter, THE AMERICAN PRESIDENCY
Corwin and Koenig, THE PRESIDENCY TODAY
Edward H. Hobbs, BEHIND THE PRESIDENT: A STUDY OF EXECUTIVE OFFICE AGENCIES
Irving G. Williams, THE RISE OF THE VICE PRESIDENCY
Edward S. Corwin, THE PRESIDENT: OFFICE AND POWERS

5. Congress

Bertram Gross, THE LEGISLATIVE STRUGGLE
William S. White, THE CITADEL (Senate)
Roland Young, THE AMERICAN CONGRESS
Wilfred E. Binkley, PRESIDENT AND CONGRESS

6. The Executive Branch and Public Administration

See Hobbs above
Charles S. Hyneman, BUREAUCRACY IN A DEMOCRACY
Pffifner and Presthus, PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION (general text)
Dwight Waldo, THE ADMINISTRATIVE STATE (theory of public administration
in U. S.)
O. Glenn Stahl, PUBLIC PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION
Jesse Burkhead, GOVERNMENT BUDGETING
Marver Bernstein, REGULATING BUSINESS BY INDEPENDENT COMMISSION
James L. McCamy, THE ADMINISTRATION OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS
C. Herman Pritchett, THE TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY
Leonard D. White (series of 4 histories on THE FEDERALISTS; THE JEFFERSONIANS;
THE JACKSONIANS; and THE REPUBLICANS - together for period of 1789-1900)
Paul Van Riper, HISTORY OF THE UNITED STATES CIVIL SERVICE (1789-1958)
Louis Smith, AMERICAN DEMOCRACY AND MILITARY POWER
T. W. Stanley, AMERICAN DEFENSE AND NATIONAL SECURITY
The Annals, vol. 280, March 1952, on "Ethical Standards in American Public
Life"

7. The Courts

On the Presidency, see Corwin item above on the office and its powers
Paul Freund, ON UNDERSTANDING THE SUPREME COURT
Carl B. Swisher, AMERICAN CONSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT
Robert E. Cushman, CIVIL LIBERTIES IN THE UNITED STATES

8. The Federal System

Jane Perry Clark, THE RISE OF A NEW FEDERALISM
William Anderson, THE NATION AND THE STATES
Arthur W. Macmahon, ed., FEDERALISM, MATURE AND EMERGENT

9. Politics, Parties, and Pressure Groups

Wilfred E. Binkley, AMERICAN POLITICAL PARTIES, THEIR NATURAL HISTORY
David Truman, THE GOVERNMENTAL PROCESS (pressure groups)
Malcolm Moos, THE REPUBLICANS
V. O. Key, POLITICS, PARTIES AND PRESSURE GROUPS (text)
V. O. Key, AMERICAN STATE POLITICS
V. O. Key, SOUTHERN POLITICS
Samuel Lubell, FUTURE OF AMERICAN POLITICS
Samuel Lubell, REVOLT OF THE MODERATES
Paul Van Riper, HANDBOOK OF PRACTICAL POLITICS (political organization
and action)
Robert E. Lane, POLITICAL LIFE: WHY PEOPLE GET INVOLVED IN POLITICS

10. Political Power

Charles Merriam, POLITICAL POWER
Leslie Lipson, GREAT ISSUES OF POLITICS
Charles Merriam, SYSTEMATIC POLITICS
Harold D. Lasswell, POLITICS: WHO GETS WHAT, WHEN AND HOW
Harold D. Lasswell, WORLD POLITICS AND PERSONAL INSECURITY
Floyd Hunter, COMMUNITY POWER STRUCTURE
Floyd Hunter, TOP LEADERSHIP: USA
Karl Loewenstein, POLITICAL POWER AND THE GOVERNMENTAL PROCESS
Arthur Kornhauser, ed., PROBLEMS OF POWER IN AMERICAN DEMOCRACY
David Spitz, DEMOCRACY AND THE CHALLENGE OF POWER
C. Wright Mills, THE POWER ELITE
Lasswell and Kaplan, POWER AND SOCIETY

11. Political Behavior and Voting

William Kornhauser, THE POLITICS OF MASS SOCIETY
David Riesman, THE LONELY CROWD
Robert C. Wood, SUBURBIA: ITS PEOPLE AND THEIR POLITICS
Herbert Hyman, POLITICAL SOCIALIZATION (political psychology)
Seymour Lipset, POLITICAL MAN (democracy in the modern world)
Eulau, Eldersveld, Janowitz, eds., POLITICAL BEHAVIOR (book of readings)
Bendix and Lipset, eds., CLASS STATUS AND POWER (readings)
Burdick and Brodbeck, AMERICAN VOTING BEHAVIOR
H. J. Eysenck, THE PSYCHOLOGY OF POLITICS