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Colonel House—Charles E. Neu 2014-12-31 A man who lived his life mostly in the shadows, Edward M. House is little known or remembered today; yet he was one of the most influential figures of the Wilson presidency. Wilson's chief political advisor, House played a key role in international diplomacy, and had a significant hand in crafting the Fourteen Points at the Paris Peace Conference. Though the intimate friendship between the president and his advisor ultimately unraveled in the wake of these negotiations, House's role in the Wilson administration had a lasting impact on 20th century international politics. In this seminal biography, Charles E. Neu details the life of "Colonel" House, a Texas landowner who rose to become one of the century's greatest political operators. Ambitious and persuasive, House worked largely behind the scenes, developing ties of loyalty and using patronage to rally party workers behind his candidates. In 1911 he met Woodrow Wilson, and almost immediately the two formed what would become one of the most famous friendships in American political history. House became a high-level political intermediary in the Wilson administration, proving particularly adept at managing the intangible realm of human relations. After World War I erupted, House, realizing the complexity of the struggle and the dangers and opportunities it posed for the United States, began traveling to and from Europe as the president's personal representative. Eventually he helped Wilson recognize the need to devise a way to end the war that would place the United States at the center of a new world order. In this balanced account, Neu shows that while House was a resourceful and imaginative diplomat, his analysis of wartime politics was erratic. He relied too heavily on personal contacts, often exaggerating his accomplishments and missing the larger historical forces that shaped the policies of the warring powers. Ultimately, as the Paris Peace Conference unfolded, differences appeared between Wilson and his counselor. Their divergent views on the negotiations led to a bitter split, and after the president left France in June of 1919, he would never see House again. Despite this break, Neu refutes the idea that Wilson and House were antagonists. They shared the same beliefs and aspirations and were, Neu shows, part of an unusual partnership. As an organizer, tactician, and confidant, House helped to make possible Wilson's achievements, and this impressive biography restores the enigmatic counselor to his place at the center of that presidency.

Woodrow Wilson and Colonel House: A Personality Study—Alexander L. George 2019-08-15 Woodrow Wilson's presidential campaign in 1912 marked the beginning of a remarkable personal and political collaboration between Wilson and Colonel Edward M. House. The book traces the complexities of Wilson's life and career along with his relationship with House, who for almost a decade was his closest behind-the-scenes advisor and confidant. Through the early years of Wilson's boyhood, his rise to prominence in the academic world, to the presidency of Princeton University and the governorship of New Jersey, the authors analyze the forces and events that shaped Wilson's character and his actions in the political arena: Wilson's first administration, his struggles with Congress, American participation in World War I, the Paris Peace Conference, the formation of the League of Nations, the battle with the Senate over the Versailles Peace Treaty, Wilson's appeal to the nation, and the eventual collapse of his health and his great dream. "Probably tomorrow's biographies will continue the present tendency toward raising the social sciences for new research techniques...The fascinating dual biography of Woodrow Wilson and Colonel House by Alexander and Juliette George shows what can and will be done in this field." — John Garraty, The New York Times "The first completely satisfactory account of this strange relationship...excellent and beautifully written." — Bernard Brodie, World Politics "Fascinating as a study in human relations, important because of the destiny the two men held in their hands." — Saturday Review "It has never before been told so well...Highly recommended." — Newsday "Woodrow Wilson and Colonel House: A Personality Study may be counted among the classics in political psychology...it helped to establish a new methodological standard for psychobiography, signaling a significant step in the discipline's maturation. Additionally, the George's account has become a resource for a number of scholars, particularly political scientists, interested in a psychological perspective on Wilson or on the presidency itself...Woodrow Wilson and Colonel House has remained over the years a vital part of a number of continuing, substantive scholarly debates on Wilson and on the psychobiographical endeavor generally." — William Friedman, Political Psychology "[A]n interesting and suggestive biography...two historians have nicely drawn upon psychoanalytic principles without in any way doing an injustice to their own responsibilities" — Robert Coles, The New York Review of Books "It is one of the best attributes of this well-written and interesting volume that the authors have managed to set down, as no one has done so well before, the way in which Colonel House coolly took the measure of Wilson's personality and undertook to ingratiate himself...The authors are thoroughly aware of the vagaries of human nature. The impression throughout the book is one of careful analysis and insight...There is a refreshing unwillingness, on the part of the authors, to bury their narrative in detail, and hence the high points of Wilson's career come out clearly, and the judgments are likewise sharp and pointed...All in all, a first-rate volume of history." — Robert H. Ferrell, The Review of Politics "The authors have done their research thoroughly, have presented their arguments convincingly, and have drawn logical conclusions...[They] are to be congratulated upon a job well done." — George C. Osborn, The Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science "The study is well documented and carefully written. It should have enduring value." — Rupert N. Richardson, The Southwestern Historical Quarterly "The authors have made a valuable contribution to the literature on Woodrow Wilson and opened new possibilities in historical study." — J. Chal Vinson, The Georgia Historical Quarterly "A commendable little book which should take high place among the one-volume biographies of Woodrow Wilson. It is a well-balanced, smartly-paced work, maturely organized and presented in an engaging...manner. For the general reader interested in good biography well told, the book should have a special and richly deserved appeal." — Charles Jellison, The American Historical Review
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Woodrow Wilson and Colonel House
-Alexander L. George 1964 Narrative and psychoanalytic techniques are employed in a biography that explores Wilson's relationship with House and influential academic and political careers

Woodrow Wilson's Right Hand
-Godfrey Hodgson 2006-01-01 The importance of Colonel Edward M. House in twentieth-century American foreign policy is enormous: from 1913 to 1919 he served not only as intimate friend and chief political adviser to President Woodrow Wilson but also as national security adviser and senior diplomat. Yet the relationship between House and the president ended in a quarrel at the Paris peace conference of 1919 largely because of Mrs. Wilson’s hostility to House and has received little sympathetic historical attention since. This extensively researched book reintroduces House and clearly establishes his contributions as one of the greatest American diplomats. A kingmaker in Texas politics, House joined Wilson’s campaign in 1912 and soon was traveling through Europe as the president’s secret agent. He visited Europe repeatedly during World War I and played a major part in drafting Wilson’s Fourteen Points and the Covenant of the League of Nations. He tried to stop the war before it began, and to end it by negotiation after it had started. His greatest achievement was to lock both sides into an armistice based on American ideals.

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-Alexander Lawrence GEORGE (and GEORGE (Juliette L.)) 1964

Woodrow Wilson and Colonel House, a Personality Study. Alexander L. George and Juliette L. George
-Alexander L. George 1956

The Strangest Friendship in History
-George Sylvester Viereck 1976

Woodrow Wilson and Colonel House
-A. L. George 1984-01

Presidential Personality And Performance
-Alexander L George 2019-06-17 This book, which examines the leadership styles and decisionmaking practices of presidents from Woodrow Wilson to Bill Clinton, reflects the authors interest for over half a century in the impact of personality on the political behavior of our political leaders. Its contents range from the story of the Georges collaboration on their pioneering stud

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-Alexander L. George 1964

Edith and Woodrow
-Phyllis Lee Levin 2002-03-03 Elegantly written, tirelessly researched, full of shocking revelations, Edith and Woodrow offers the definitive examination of the controversial role Woodrow Wilson's second wife played in running the country. "The story of Wilson's second marriage, and of the large events on which its shadow was cast, is darker and more devious, and more astonishing, than previously recorded." -- from the Preface Constructing a thrilling, tightly contained narrative around a trove of previously undisclosed documents, medical diagnoses, White House memoranda, and internal documents, acclaimed journalist and historian Phyllis Lee Levin sheds new light on the central role of Edith Bolling Galt in Woodrow Wilson's administration. Shortly after Ellen Wilson's death on the eve of World War I in 1914, President Wilson was swept off his feet by Edith Bolling Galt. They were married in December 1915, and, Levin shows, Edith Wilson set out immediately to consolidate her influence on him and tried to destroy his relationships with Colonel House, his closest friend and adviser, and with Joe Tumulty, his longtime secretary. Wilson resisted these efforts, but Edith was persistent and eventually succeeded. With the quick ending of World War I following America's entry in 1918, Wilson left for the Paris Peace Conference, where he pushed for the establishment of the League of Nations. Congress, led by Senator Henry Cabot Lodge, resisted the idea of an international body that would require one country to go to the defense of another and blocked ratification. Defiant, Wilson set out on a cross-country tour to convince the American people to support him. It was during the middle of this tour, in the fall of 1919, that he suffered a devastating stroke and was rushed back to Washington. Although there has always been controversy regarding Edith Wilson's role in the eighteen months remaining of Wilson's second term, it is clear now from newly released medical records that the stroke had totally incapacitated him. Citing this information and numerous specific memoranda, journals, and diaries, Levin makes a powerfully persuasive case that Mrs. Wilson all but singlehandedly ran the country during this time. Ten years in the making, Edith and Woodrow is a magnificent, dramatic, and deeply rewarding work of history.

THE INTIMATE PAPERS OF COLONEL HOUSE-CHARLES SEYMOUR 1926

Philip Dru: Administrator-Edward Mandell House 1912 Philip Dru Administrator; A Story of Tomorrow 1920 - 1935 Authored by Edward Mandell House

The Influence of Colonel House Upon President Woodrow Wilson and His Domestic Policy-Benjamin A. Egenski 1961

The Influence of Colonel House Upon Woodrow Wilson's Foreign Policy-Bertram Howe 1954


Woodrow Wilson as I Know Him-Joseph P. Tumulty 1921

The Strongs Friendship in History-George Sylvester Viereck 1932

Woodrow Wilson, Colonel House, and American Policy Toward Germany, 1914-1918-Joseph W. Winn 1998

Woodrow Wilson-William Allen White 1924

The Moralist-Patricia O'Toole 2019-04-16 Acclaimed author Patricia O'Toole’s “superb” (The New York Times) account of Woodrow Wilson, one of the most high-minded, consequential, and controversial US presidents. A “gripping” (USA TODAY) biography, The Moralist is “an essential contribution to presidential history” (Booklist, starred review). “In graceful prose and deep scholarship, Patricia O'Toole casts new light on the presidency of Woodrow Wilson” (Star Tribune, Minneapolis). The Moralist shows how Wilson was a progressive who enjoyed unprecedented success in leveling the economic playing field, but he was behind the times on racial equality and women’s suffrage. As a Southern boy during the Civil War, he knew the ravages of war, and as president he refused to lead the country into World War I until he was convinced that Germany posed a direct threat to the United States. Once committed, he was an admirable commander-in-chief, yet he also presided over the harshest suppression of political dissent in American history. After the war Wilson became the world’s most ardent champion of liberal internationalism—a democratic new world order committed to peace, collective security, and free trade. With Wilson’s leadership, the governments at the Paris Peace Conference in 1919 founded the League of Nations, a federation of the world’s democracies. The creation of the League, Wilson’s last great triumph, was quickly followed by two crushing blows: a paralyzing stroke and the rejection of the treaty that would have allowed the United States to join the League. Ultimately, Wilson’s liberal internationalism was revived by Franklin D. Roosevelt and it has shaped American foreign relations—for better and worse—ever since. A cautionary tale about the perils of moral vanity and American overreach in foreign affairs, The Moralist “does full justice to Wilson’s complexities” (The Wall Street Journal).

The Strongest Friendship in History-George Sylvester Viereck 1933

To End All Wars, New Edition-Thomas J. Knock 2019-03-19 A close look at Woodrow Wilson's political thought and international diplomacy In the widely acclaimed To End All Wars, Thomas Knock provides an intriguing, often provocative narrative of Woodrow Wilson’s epic quest for a new world order. This book follows Wilson’s thought and diplomacy from his policy toward revolutionary
Mexico, through his dramatic call for “Peace without Victory” in World War I, to the Senate’s rejection of the League of Nations. Throughout, Knock reinterprets the origins of internationalism in American politics, sweeping away the view that isolationism was the cause of Wilson’s failure and revealing the role of competing visions of internationalism—conservative and progressive.

British-American Relations 1917-1918—Wilton B. Fowler 2015-12-08 Throughout the First World War Woodrow Wilson considered Britain’s ambitions in the war as objectionable as Germany’s. He repeatedly expressed distrust of the British government’s motives; for their part, the British chafed at Wilson’s idealism and despised his aloofness from the Allies. Sir William Wiseman played an extraordinary part as the behind-the-scenes liaison between the two major powers. Acting as a personal friend and confidant of Wilson’s adviser, Colonel House, Wiseman is credited with keeping animosities in check between America and Great Britain, and for helping to establish coalition diplomacy, which was new to the U.S. in 1917-1918, though within 25 years it became a permanent characteristic of American foreign policy. British-American Relations, 1917-1918 provides fascinating insights not only into Wiseman’s role but into the entire diplomacy of the Wilson period. Originally published in 1969. The Princeton Legacy Library uses the latest print-on-demand technology to again make available previously out-of-print books from the distinguished backlist of Princeton University Press. These editions preserve the original texts of these important books while presenting them in durable paperback and hardcover editions. The goal of the Princeton Legacy Library is to vastly increase access to the rich scholarly heritage found in the thousands of books published by Princeton University Press since its founding in 1905.

Making Woodrow Wilson President—William Frank McCombs 1921

Philip Dru—Edward Mandell House 2014-01-29 Philip Dru is an extremely obscure political tract written in 1911 by “Colonel” Edward Mandell House, a key advisor to Woodrow Wilson and F.D.R. This is what makes the book so shocking. The book advocates the violent overthrow of the constitutional government and proposes a communist/socialist system as its replacement. Considering that the man who wrote this book had such a close position to the president, it’s no surprise that some of the ideas in this book eventually became public policy. Philip Dru, the main character, is a West Point graduate who eventually resigns his post and becomes involved in social problems. Dru is chosen to lead an army against the U.S. government led by a puppet president. When Dru gains control he throws the Constitution out the window and nationalizes industries such as the telegraph (remember, it’s 1911) and makes corporations subservient to government. He promises a job to every American, who eventually resists the new order. When opposition arises Dru uses violence to create a monolithic society. The book advocates for the violent overthrow of the constitutional government and proposes a communist/socialist system as its replacement. The book is a testament to the dangerously effective “gradualist” standard operating procedure today. In this book, the people revolt over what he does! Though poorly written, no one would doubt the importance of Adolph Hitler’s “Mein Kampf.” The same could be said of “Philip Dru.” Certain facts, once denied, reveal how we, as a nation, got so far off track. One of those facts is the collusion between International Bankers, Monopoly Capitalists and Fabian Socialist Edward Mandell House. This collusion resulted in the unconstitutional privatization of our monetary system, under the guise of the Federal Reserve. The dangerous nature of the Federal Reserve is best summed up by the patriarch of one International Banking family: “Give me control of a nation’s money and I care not who makes the laws.” - Mayer Amschel Rothschild. The importance of “Philip Dru: Administrator” is the insight into the mindset of those who believe in the New World Order; once denied, now freely discussed. It is a testament to the dangerously effective “gradualist” subversion that America has been subjected to over the last 100 years. The “incremental” Socialism promoted by the Fabian Society since 1884...a little more each generation, leading us to their goal: “The American people will never knowingly adopt socialism, but under the name of liberalism they will adopt every fragment of the socialist program until one day America will be a socialist nation without ever knowing how it happened.” - Norman Thomas, American socialist

When the Cheering Stopped—Gene Smith 2016-10-04 The poignant true story of an American president struck by tragedy at the height of his glory. This New York Times bestseller vividly chronicles the stunning decline in Woodrow Wilson’s fortunes after World War I and draws back the curtain on one of the strangest episodes in the history of the American presidency. Author Gene Smith brilliantly captures the drama and excitement of Wilson’s efforts at the Paris Peace Conference to forge a lasting concord between enemies, and his remarkable coast-to-coast tour to sway national opinion in favor of the League of Nations. During this grueling jaunt across 8,000 miles in less than a month, Wilson suffered a debilitating stroke that left him an invalid and a recluse, shrouding his final years in office in shadow and mystery. In graceful and dramatic prose, Smith portrays a White House mired in secrets, with a commander in chief kept behind closed doors, unseen by anyone except his doctor and his devoted second wife, Edith Galt Wilson, a woman of strong will with less than an elementary school education who, for all intents and purposes, led the government of the most powerful nation in the world for two years. When the Cheering Stopped is a gripping true story of duty, courage, and deceit, and an unforgettable portrait of a visionary leader whose valiant struggle and tragic fall changed the course of world history.

Woodrow Wilson and the World of Today—Arthur P. Dudden 2016-11-11

The Ordeal of Woodrow Wilson—Herbert Hoover 1992-10 “Hoover’s book was meant as a tribute to his former chief, but is ti easy to suspect that anger and hurt might underlie a portrayal that
presents the worst as well as the best in one of our greatest statesmen. What makes Hoover's memoir especially valuable to readers already familiar with the story are matters of tone and interpretation which Hoover himself... probably did not notice that he was making available.” -- David Burner, The Atlantic Woodrow Wilson Center Press.


Colonel Roosevelt-Edmund Morris 2011 Presents a chronicle of the last ten years of Theodore Roosevelt’s life to cover his African safaris, return to public life, involvement with the Progressive movement, campaign for president in 1912, and various brushes with death.

The True Story of Woodrow Wilson-David Lawrence 1924

"My Second Personality"-Nicholas John Ferns 2011 "Despite lasting only eight years, the relationship between United States President Woodrow Wilson and his close friend and advisor Colonel Edward House was the most significant of Wilson's presidency. This thesis will investigate the Wilson-House relationship, analysing both its personal and political aspects. It will argue that while the friendship was marked by deep affection, the relationship between Wilson and House was ultimately political. Scholars of Wilson and House generally focus on either the political or personal dimensions of their relationship. My work examines both aspects, as this is necessary to establish a full understanding of the Wilson-House friendship. I explore the notion of friendship as it pertained to Wilson and House, with its many complexities, ultimately arguing that the political aspects of their relationship were most important. This argument will be supported by a close analysis of the correspondence between the two men. While the letters exchanged between the President and the Colonel convey messages of intimacy, the foundation of the relationship was in the dimension of politics. Ultimately, the relationship came to an end once the two men no longer saw eye to eye in political matters.”--Thesis summary.

Wilson-A. Scott Berg 2013-09-10 From the #1 New York Times bestselling author, "a brilliant biography"* of the 28th president of the United States. *Doris Kearns Goodwin One hundred years after his inauguration, Woodrow Wilson still stands as one of the most influential figures of the twentieth century, and one of the most enigmatic. And now, after more than a decade of research and writing, Pulitzer Prize-winning author A. Scott Berg has completed Wilson—the most personal and penetrating biography ever written about the twenty-eighth President. In addition to the hundreds of thousands of documents in the Wilson Archives, Berg was the first biographer to gain access to two recently discovered caches of papers belonging to those close to Wilson. From this material, Berg was able to add countless details—even several unknown events—that fill in missing pieces of Wilson’s character, and cast new light on his entire life. From the visionary Princeton professor who constructed a model for higher education in America to the architect of the ill-fated League of Nations, from the devout Commander in Chief who ushered the country through its first great World War to the widower of intense passion and turbulence who wooed a second wife with hundreds of astonishing love letters, from the idealist determined to make the world “safe for democracy” to the stroke-crippled leader whose incapacity—and the subterfuges around it—were among the century’s greatest secrets, from the trailblazer whose ideas paved the way for the New Deal and the Progressive administrations that followed to the politician whose partisan battles with his opponents left him a broken man, and ultimately, a tragic figure—this is a book at once magisterial and deeply emotional about the whole of Wilson’s life, accomplishments, and failings. This is not just Wilson the icon—but Wilson the man. INCLUDES PHOTOGRAPHS

Woodrow Wilson and the World War-Charles Seymour 2014-07-01 From the current vantage point, World War I was but one of a series of global military conflicts that defined the political landscape of the twentieth century. However, in the immediate aftermath of the war, it represented a seismic shift after which nothing would ever be the same again. This probing analysis penned just after the war's end focuses on the key role played by Woodrow Wilson, the 28th president of the United States.

The Wilson Circle-Charles E. Neu 2022-02-22 Informing vivid biographical sketches with a wide range of recent scholarship, The Wilson Circle shines a light on the exceptional people whose advice impacted the course of a presidency.

President Wilson and Colonel House-Virginia Henry Lindstrom 1942
Woodrow Wilson and a Revolutionary World, 1913-1921 - Arthur S. Link 2017-10-10 In a dazzling array of the most recent research and writing, the contributors deal with Wilson's approach to the Mexican and Russian revolutions; his Polish policy; his relationship with the European Left, world order, and the League of Nations; and Wilson and the problems of world peace. They show that Wilson was in many ways the pivot of twentieth-century world affairs; his commitment to anticolonialism, antiimperialism, and self-determination still guides U.S. foreign policy. Originally published in 1982. A UNC Press Enduring Edition -- UNC Press Enduring Editions use the latest in digital technology to make available again books from our distinguished backlist that were previously out of print. These editions are published unaltered from the original, and are presented in affordable paperback formats, bringing readers both historical and cultural value.

In Search of Woodrow Wilson - Robert M. Saunders 1998 Saunders complements an understanding of the origins and evolution of Woodrow Wilson's beliefs, particularly the notion of stewardship, with an appreciation of the strengths and weaknesses of his leadership and the historical context within which he pursued his dreams. Based upon a thorough and systematic analysis of the available primary sources, this work explores Wilson's relationship with his parents, his wives, and his professional and political colleagues. It examines his conduct of domestic and foreign policy from 1913-1921, as well as his inner turmoil over professed beliefs which conflicted with the demands of leadership. This detailed account records the social background, beliefs, and behavior of one of America's most controversial and significant 20th century leaders. Woodrow Wilson is perceived as the epitome of the modern idealist who took the United States into World War I to make the world safe for democracy; however, this book will show that this view of Wilson is fraught with more than the usual distortions. With the end of the Cold War and the publication of the full body of Wilson's papers, it is now possible to examine Wilson in a new and more complete light. The tensions between Wilson's private ambitions and his public role refute the main stereotype of him as an idealist.

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