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History in the British archives. Glad to see the work taken over by an institution with incomparably greater funds than ours, we freely handed the fruits of Miss Kimball's labors to Professor McLaughlin. He was elected to membership in 1908, and at our centennial celebration in 1912 he delivered an address on "Democracy and the Constitution." However, his first love among the learned societies was the American Historical Association which for many years he served as a member of the editorial board of the *Review*, and finally as president. He died of pneumonia at his home in Chicago on September 24, 1947. His wife, the former Lois Thompson Angell, a daughter of President Angell of Michigan, had died before him. He is survived by three daughters and by a son, Professor James A. McLaughlin of the Harvard Law School.

C. K. S.

## ALBERT SHAW

Albert Shaw was born at Shandon, Butler County, Ohio, on July 23, 1857, a son of Dr. Griffin and Susan (Fisher) Shaw. He received his schooling from tutors and was sent to Iowa, now Grinnell, College where he was graduated in 1879 and received an M.A. in 1882. His first business venture was as part owner of a Grinnell semi-weekly newspaper from which he moved to an editorship on the Minneapolis *Tribune* in 1883. The problems here whetted his appetite for the study of government, and in 1884 he took a Ph.D. at Johns Hopkins. He contributed an essay on local government in Illinois to the first volume of the now monumental series of "Johns Hopkins Studies," and that same year published independently *Icaria—A Study in the History* of Communism. He found time also for study in Europe in the years 1888-89.

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Cornell University recognized the promise in Dr. Shaw's work and offered him a professorship, but he declined it to undertake the establishment of the American Review of Reviews. An editor of that magazine for forty-six years he was responsible for its spectacular success. He was an intimate personal friend of Theodore Roosevelt and Woodrow Wilson, he wrote eleven books on government, lectured at many universities, and collected eleven honorary degrees. In 1937 he bought the Literary Digest and combined it with the American Review of Reviews as the Digest, and, after a few months, sold it. Once his hand was removed, the magazine promptly died. The rest of his life he divided between his homes at Hastings-on-Hudson and at Winter Park, Florida, busily compiling a volume on Woodrow Wilson from their correspondence and preparing his own memoirs.

Dr. Shaw was elected to the American Antiquarian Society in 1893 and lived to become its second-oldest member, but he was never active in its affairs. He agreed to address our meeting of October, 1927, but was detained in New York by business. When he undertook his memoirs he turned to us for bibliographical aid which we were fortunately able to give. However, these works were not completed at the time of his death in New York on June 25, 1945.

In 1893 Dr. Shaw married Elizabeth L. Bacon of Reading, Pennsylvania, who died in 1931. Two years later he married Miss Virginia McCall, who survives him, with two sons by his first wife, Albert Shaw, Jr., of Hasting-on-Hudson, and Dr. Roger Shaw of Trinity College, Hartford. C. K. S.

## CARROLL ATWOOD WILSON

Carroll Wilson was born in Benton Falls, Maine, on May 12, 1886, a son of Charles B. and L. Belle Turner Wilson.

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