



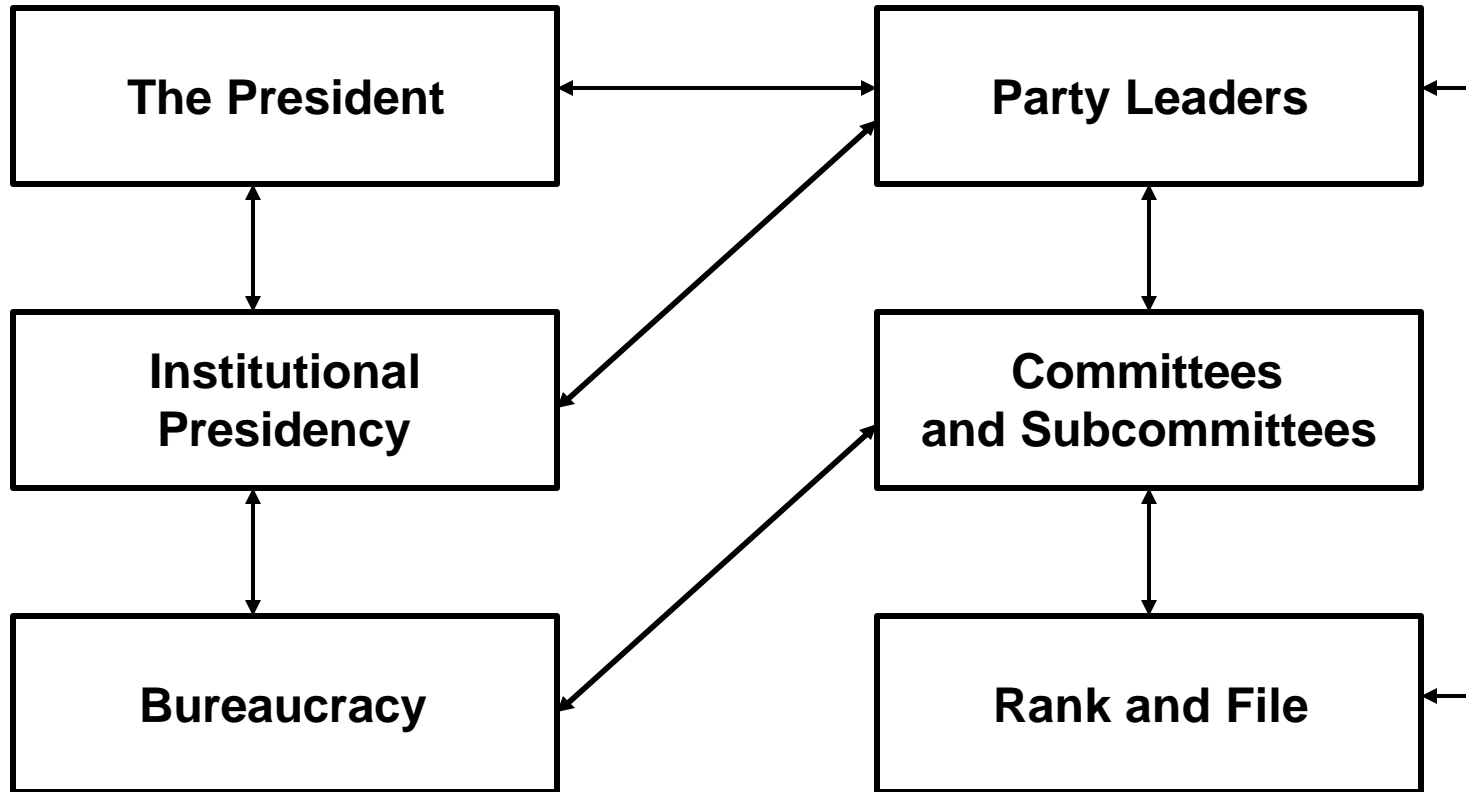
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Party Development and Related Events in the House and Senate

Event	House	Senate
Centralization of power	1875-95	1885-95
Professionalization of career	1890-1910	1875-1895
Hardening of seniority as criterion for advancement on committees	1911-25	1885-95
Creation of central leadership positions	1897-1900	1911-1915
Creation of party committees and organizations	1919-present	1885-95



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The Establishment of Formal Party Leadership Positions and Committees in Congress

	Year of Creation on a Continuing Basis	
	Republicans	Democrats
<i>House</i>		
Majority Leader	1899	1911
Minority Leader	1883	1889
Whip	1897	1900
Policy Committee	1919	1933
Committee on Committees	1917	1911
<i>Senate</i>		
Floor Leader (Majority and Minority Leader)	1913	1911
Whip	1915	1913
Policy Committee	1874	1879
Committee on Committees	1865	1877