

LONG, HUEY PIERCE, 1893-1935. Huey Pierce Long collection, 1926-1938

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Descriptive Summary

Creator: Long, Huey Pierce, 1893-1935.
Title: Huey Pierce Long collection, 1926-1938
Call Number: Manuscript Collection No. 314
Extent: .167 linear ft. (1 partial box)
Abstract: Collection of Louisiana governor, senator and newspaper editor Huey Pierce Long, including material relating to his career and death.
Language: Materials entirely in English.

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Biographical Note

Huey Pierce Long (August 30, 1893-September 10, 1935) was born near Winnfield, Winn Parish, in northern Louisiana, the eighth of ten children of Huey Pierce and Caledonia (Tison)

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Long. He attended High School at Shreveport and spent a semester at University of Oklahoma Law School and eight months at Tulane University Law School. He passed a special bar examination (May 1915) and began practice at Winnfield. Two years before (1913) he married Rose McConnell of Shreveport. They had three children - Rose, Russell and Palmer. He served as public service commissioner 1921-1926 and was elected governor of Louisiana in 1928. In 1930 he was elected to the U.S. Senate. He broke with President Franklin D. Roosevelt whose first candidacy he had actively supported. He was shot by Dr. Carl A. Weiss on September 3, 1935 and died two days later. He organized (January 1934) a Share-Our-Wealth Society which won him national support. For a year before his death he exercised unprecedented control of the government of the state of Louisiana.

Scope and Content Note

The collection includes material relating to the career and the death of Huey Pierce Long from 1926-1938. Included also are several items relating to a friendly controversy between Long and Mr. Julian La Rose Harris of the *Atlanta Constitution* on the subject of "Potlikker and Cornpone."

Arrangement Note

Arranged in chronological order.

Container List

Box	Folder	Content
1	1	Signed statement in regard to assault on Mr. Long by R.L. Proffit, September 9, 1926, Columbia. Louisiana
1	2	Program: inaugural ceremonies of Governor Huey P. Long and Lt. Gov. Paul N. Cyr, May 21, 1928, Baton Rouge, Louisiana
1	3	Photocopy of Telegram: Huey P. Long (Baton Rouge, La.) to editor, <i>Atlanta Constitution</i> ; February 16, 1931. Long demands that the paper correct its questioning of his recipe for "potlicker."
1	4	Photocopy of TLS: Huey P. Long to Mr. Julian La Rose Harris; March 3, 1931. Mr. Long suggested a tournament, to decide the Cornpone-Potlicker controversy, to be held at the White House in Baton Rouge.
1	5	Photocopy of ALS: Huey P. Long (Baton Rouge, La.) to Mr. Harris; May 7, 1931
1	6	Photocopy of a 1-page note written by Huey P. Long to Mr. Harris on a U.S. Senate Memorandum sheet.
1	7	Newspaper clipping: "Culinary war ends in Dixie dispute"
1	8	Small bill or broadside, "Rich's arbitrates the 'Potlicker and Cornpone' controversy now shaking the solid south"
1	9	Clipping from rotogravure section of Mr. Harris and Mrs. Cooledge (with a movie photographer) discussing "the proper way to prepare cornpone and potlicker." The picture was later shown at an Atlanta theater.
1	10	Photograph of Mr. and Mrs. Huey Long and Mr. Harris, autographed by Huey Long
1	10	1 letter from George H. Maines to "Dear Earl," March 4, 1934.
1	11	Broadside: "Home Ruin"
1	12	Program: Memorial Services in Observance of the Birthday of our late Senator Huey P. Long at his grave in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, Tuesday, August 30, 1938, at three P.M.
1	13	Sticker: "Huey P. Long's Share our Wealth Society, The Spirit and Purpose of Huey Long Shall Never Die"
