

Tulane receives collection of Huey P. Long papers

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Huey P. Long, who attended Tulane University Law School in 1914, has finally returned to campus.

Papers from Long's personal office and files are among the highlights of the Jack B. McGuire Collection of Huey P. Long Papers, recently donated to the Louisiana Research Collection (LaRC) at Tulane University. The collection includes speech drafts; Long's agreement with the Old Regulars political organization and Standard Oil; papers on his Share Our Wealth program; dossiers on his enemies; original illustrations for his autobiography with captions in his handwriting; documents showing that he always intended to name the Huey P. Long bridge after himself; documents relating to the Win or Lose Oil Company; campaign files and more.

With the donation, Tulane now holds one of the most important collections of papers related to the famous Louisiana governor and senator to come to light in the last 30 years.

The donor, Jack B. McGuire, a banker and political figure, is the former public relations director for the city of New Orleans and vice president of the Union Savings and Loan Association. He was an aide to New Orleans Mayor Victor H. Schiro and served on the Mandeville City Council from 1984 to 1990.

"The documents in this donation were hidden from history for more than 75 years, and to have the privilege of making them available to the international research community is tremendously exciting," said Leon Miller, head of LaRC.

LaRC is located in Tulane University's Jones Hall. It is the oldest, largest and most comprehensive research center for the study of New Orleans and the second largest for the study of Louisiana. For more information, visit larc.tulane.edu.