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The Kingfish Thomas O. Harris, 2001-11-30 Chronicling his meteoric rise to power and allegations of corruption Thomas O Harris s *The Kingfish* tells of Huey P Long s many social reforms which endeared him to the rural poor and made him an enemy of big business Long was a man who through hard work and perseverance surpassed all boundaries previously aligned with American politicians Harris very vividly points out the overall danger of Long s politics and his underlying selfish motives He calls Long a dictator and a threat to the American political system but finds it hard to deny the many reasons for Long s immense popularity within Louisiana

The Kingfish Thomas O. Harris, 1938 *The Kingfish and His Realm* William Ivy Hair, 1996 The best biography of Long written to date New Orleans Times Picayune A remarkable work Of all the biographies of Huey Long Hair s best captures the atmosphere of public life in the Pelican State Written with passion and mordant wit the book is literally hard to put down Reviews in American History Well proportioned and tartly written Hair s book is notable for its conceptualization and exhaustive research for its analysis of Long s extraordinary control of Louisiana and his role in national politics and for its interpretation of the Long phenomenon Journal of American History A masterly biography of the redneck messiah A consistently engrossing portrait Kirkus Reviews starred review A fascinating and highly readable look at the improbable rise and fortunate fall of one of the most dangerous politicians in American History San Francisco Chronicle

Kingfish Thomas O. Harris, 1968 *Kingfish* U Robert Mann, 2023-06-07 No political leader is more closely identified with Louisiana State University than the flamboyant governor and U S senator Huey P Long who devoted his last years to turning a small undistinguished state school into an academic and football powerhouse From 1931 when Long declared himself the official thief for LSU to his death in 1935 the school s budget mushroomed its physical plant burgeoned its faculty flourished and its enrollment tripled Along with improving LSU s academic reputation Long believed the school s football program and band were crucial to its success Taking an intense interest in the team Long delivered pregame and halftime pep talks devised plays stalked the sidelines during games and fired two coaches He poured money into a larger flashier band supervised the hiring of two directors and with the second one wrote a new fight song Touchdown for LSU While he rarely meddled in academic affairs Long insisted that no faculty member criticize him publicly When students or faculty from his school opposed him retribution was swift Long s support for LSU did not come without consequences His unrelenting involvement almost cost the university its accreditation And after his death several of his allies including his handpicked university president went to prison in a scandal that almost destroyed LSU Rollicking and revealing Robert Mann s *Kingfish* U is the definitive story of Long s embrace of LSU

Killing Congress Nancy E. Marion, Willard Oliver, 2014-07-22 Since Congress was established in 1789 seven members have been assassinated and several others have been the victims of attempted assassinations or other acts of violence Additionally eight members of Congress have died while serving in Congress in other ways These incidents have taken place throughout the existence of the United States and

have a wide variety of interesting causes In Killing Congress Assassinations Attempted Assassinations and other Violence Enacted on Members of the U S Congress Nancy Marion and Willard Oliver examine the assassinations and attempted assassinations of members of Congress describing the actions that led up to the violence the incidents themselves and the repercussions of the events Marion and Oliver also look closely at other violent attacks against Congressional members including beatings and bio attacks The book not only describes the assassinations but discusses the short and long term impacts of the violence that takes place on Capitol Hill

The Kingfish in Fiction Keith Perry, 2004-06-01 The controversial almost mythic Louisiana politician Huey P Long inspired not just one but six American novels published between 1934 and 1946 And he continues to resonate in American cultural memory appearing in a 1995 work of historical fiction The Kingfish in Fiction offers the first study of all six Hueys who aren't Hueys as they strut and bluster their way across the literary page each character with his own particular story each towing a different authorial agenda Keith Perry carefully dissects the intertwining of documented history and artistic invention in Sinclair Lewis's *It Can't Happen Here* Hamilton Basso's *Cinnamon Seed* and Sun in Capricorn John Dos Passos's *Number One* Adria Locke Langley's *A Lion Is in the Streets* and Robert Penn Warren's *All the King's Men* Perry explains that Lewis cast his version of the Kingfish as a totalitarian menace a sort of homegrown Hitler in what Lewis later admitted was an unapologetic attempt to sabotage Long's designs on the White House Basso one of Long's most vocal detractors created two Long-based characters each a rabble rousing affront to what remained of the Old South order To warn readers of the dangers hidden in the politician constituent contract Dos Passos transformed Long into a shameless manipulator of the gullible American masses Langley's rendition suffers complete condemnation by its creator for personal as well as public transgressions Warren's spellbinding Willie Stark almost as much philosopher as politician ironically bears the least resemblance to Long though for almost six decades Stark has been Long's best known fictional embodiment Exploring how and why these five authors among them a Nobel laureate one of America's most celebrated political novelists and a two time Pulitzer Prize winner turned one politician into six fictional characters leads Perry to conclude that Huey P Long's lasting impression may well be a composite of both historical and imaginative interpretation

Kingfish Richard D. White, Jr., 2009-03-25 From the moment he took office as governor in 1928 to the day an assassin's bullet cut him down in 1935 Huey Long wielded all but dictatorial control over the state of Louisiana A man of shameless ambition and ruthless vindictiveness Long orchestrated elections hired and fired thousands at will and deployed the state militia as his personal police force And yet paradoxically as governor and later as senator Long did more good for the state's poor and uneducated than any politician before or since Outrageous demagogue or charismatic visionary In this powerful biography Richard D White Jr brings Huey Long to life in all his blazing controversial glory White taps invaluable new source material to present a fresh vivid portrait of both the man and the Depression era that catapulted him to fame From his boyhood in dirt poor Winn Parish Long knew he was destined for power the problem was how to get it fast enough

to satisfy his insatiable appetite With cunning and crudity unheard of in Louisiana politics Long crushed his opponents in the 1928 gubernatorial race then immediately set about tightening his iron grip The press attacked him viciously the oil companies howled for his blood after he pushed through a controversial oil processing tax but Long had the adulation of the people In 1930 the Kingfish got himself elected senator and then there was no stopping him White s account of Long s heyday unfolds with the mesmerizing intensity of a movie Pegged by President Roosevelt as one of the two most dangerous men in the country Long organized a radical movement to redistribute money through his Share Our Wealth Society and his gospel of pensions for all a shorter workweek and free college spread like wildfire The Louisiana poor already worshiped him for building thousands of miles of roads and funding schools hospitals and universities his outrageous antics on the Senate floor gained him a growing national base By 1935 despite a barrage of corruption investigations Huey Long announced that he was running for president In the end Long was a tragic hero a power addict who squandered his genius and came close to destroying the very foundation of democratic rule Kingfish is a balanced lucid and absolutely spellbinding portrait of the life and times of the most incendiary figure in the history of American politics *Hattie and Huey* David Malone,1989 During the first eight scorching days of August in 1932 U S Senator Huey P Long of Louisiana campaigned in Arkansas for the election of Hattie Caraway to the U S Senate Caraway easily defeated six well known opponents in a race she was not expected to win and became the first woman to be elected to the U S Senate This volume is a textbook of politics and a sweeping picture of the Great Depression as if those perilous times had been compressed into a week and a day It is a fascinating look at two extremely different people caught briefly in a common purpose Huey P. Long Henry C. Dethloff,1976 **Senators of the United States** ,1995 **Russell Long** Michael S. Martin,2014-05-05 Russell Long 1918 2003 occupies a unique niche in twentieth century United States history Born into Louisiana s most influential political family and son of perhaps the most famous Louisianan of all time Long extended the political power generated by other members of his family and attained heights of power unknown to his predecessors including his father Huey The Long family and its followers pervaded Louisiana politics from the late 1920s through the 1980s Being a Long especially a son of Huey Long preordained Russell for a political life His father s assassination set the wheels in motion for his eventual political career In 1948 Russell followed his father and his mother to a seat in the United States Senate In due course he rose to the politically eminent positions of majority whip and chair of the Senate Finance Committee Russell Long A Life in Politics examines Long s public life and places it within the context of twentieth century Louisiana southern and national politics In Louisiana Long s politics arose out of the Longite Anti Longite period of history Yet he transcended many of those two groups factional squabbles In the national realm Long s politics exhibited a working philosophy that straddled the boundaries between New Deal liberalism and southern conservatism By the time of his retirement in early 1987 he had witnessed the demise of one political paradigm the New Deal liberal consensus and the creation of one dominated by a new style of conservatism **The**

Great Depression Robert S. McElvaine, 1993-12-06 One of the classic studies of the Great Depression featuring a new introduction by the author with insights into the economic crises of 1929 and today In the twenty five years since its publication critics and scholars have praised historian Robert McElvaine's sweeping and authoritative history of the Great Depression as one of the best and most readable studies of the era Combining clear eyed insight into the machinations of politicians and economists who struggled to revive the battered economy personal stories from the average people who were hardest hit by an economic crisis beyond their control and an evocative depiction of the popular culture of the decade McElvaine paints an epic picture of an America brought to its knees but also brought together by people's widely shared plight In a new introduction McElvaine draws striking parallels between the roots of the Great Depression and the economic meltdown that followed in the wake of the credit crisis of 2008 He also examines the resurgence of anti regulation free market ideology beginning in the Reagan era and argues that some economists and politicians revised history and ignored the lessons of the Depression era

American Populist Thomas E. Patterson, 2025-02-14 Thomas E Patterson's monumental biography of Huey Long is a profound reevaluation of his life and legacy recognizing him as an inspirational progressive thinker populist hero and radical influence on the New Deal before an assassin's bullet ended his life in 1935 First as governor and then as U S senator Long transformed the politics of Louisiana by standing for the interests of citizens whom state officials had historically ignored He eased suffrage restrictions so that more people could vote and voters endorsed his program of more robust government services and shifting the tax burden to those better able to pay In the United States Senate during the darkest days of the Great Depression he advocated loudly and ceaselessly for the redistribution of wealth expanding public works increasing the money supply insuring bank deposits paying old age pensions and veterans benefits delivering a minimum income for families and funding college and vocational education President Franklin D Roosevelt along with other politicians and pundits dismissed Long's proposals as nonsense put forth by a reckless demagogue in search of votes Despite several biographies acclaimed novels and historical studies in the years since Long's death his reputation today is mostly caricature a spellbinding speaker a dictator a populist firebrand who was unprincipled and corrupt Using previously untapped personal papers of Long and his son Russell other primary sources recent scholarship and his experience as a lawyer Patterson provides a necessary corrective as he analyzes the contours of Long's career deconstructs the elements of his success undercuts several myths related to his time in office and explains the circumstances that led to his ultimate downfall The result is the most comprehensive balanced and analytical study of the Kingfish to date

America's Dictator: FDR the Red Paul David Cook, 2011-06-17 A new post FDR generation of Americans have been taught in our liberal leftist educational system that the 32nd President was an outstanding war strategist and that Stalin's Eastern European invasion was inevitable Nothing could be further from the truth for the historical reality was that FDR was in reality a dangerous egotistical autocratic bumbler who winged it politically with little global vision resulting in multiple catastrophic

international disasters that would negatively affect the world for generations to come The FDR I am going to show you is nothing like what you have been programmed to believe He was not only a compulsive liar and a hypocrite but also very vindictive often sadistic to the point of displaying a malicious destructive pattern of behavior that bordered on madness He was often filled with raging hatred against any opponent who dared to question his supremacy or bruise his delicate manic ego For decades the American public has been told a packet of lies repeatedly and in time those falsehoods have not only become accepted history we shoveled to our youth as fact until they read this book by design or chance Robert Penn Warren Neil Nakadate,2021-09-15 Long recognized as one of America's foremost men of letters Robert Penn Warren continues to dazzle us with his many-sided genius In the haunting images of his poetry the narrative power of his fiction the revealing insights of his essays we find literary achievement of the highest order Warren's writing has merited the close attention of literary critics In this book Neil Nakadate brings together the most important critical essays including a new essay written for this volume to give a comprehensive view of the range of Warren's work A list of Warren's published works 1929-1980 and a useful checklist of critical works on Warren's writing supplement this rich and balanced collection of essays Contributors A L Clements Chester E Eisinger Norton R Girault Robert B Heilman H P Heseltine James H Justus Richard Law Frederick P W McDowell Neil Nakadate Ladell Payne M Bernetta Quinn John Crowe Ransom Victor Strandberg Walter Sullivan William Tjenos Simone Vauthier and Robert Penn Warren *Congressional Record* United States. Congress,1941

Louisiana Studies, 1976 **The Crisis**, 1985-12 The Crisis founded by W E B Du Bois as the official publication of the NAACP is a journal of civil rights history politics and culture and seeks to educate and challenge its readers about issues that continue to plague African Americans and other communities of color For nearly 100 years The Crisis has been the magazine of opinion and thought leaders decision makers peacemakers and justice seekers It has chronicled informed educated entertained and in many instances set the economic political and social agenda for our nation and its multi ethnic citizens

The Age of the Longs Edward F. Haas,2001 This collection of essays is an attempt to present the differing viewpoints that historians over the years have advanced about the Longs This anthology however also seeks to show that for scholars the age of the Longs was more than a time that saw the dominance of the two powerful political siblings

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