

# UQFL103 Ron Tullipan Papers

Size 11 boxes, 1 parcel

**Contents** Drafts of short stories, playscripts and novels, correspondence, newspaper

cuttings and copies of printed sources containing material about Ron Tullipan, notebooks, research materials, photographs, album of newspaper cuttings

and other memorabilia compiled by Vi Tullipan.

Biography Ron Tullipan was born in Murwillumbah in 1917 into a well-known Queensland

circus family. He worked on properties in Queensland and Northern New South Wales before joining the AIF in the Second World War. He studied art and literature overseas and in Sydney, and was involved with the Realist Writers movement. He published many short stories and three novels, *Follow the Sun* (1960), *March into Morning* (1962), which won the Mary Gilmore Award, and *Daylight Robbery* (1970). Ron Tullipan died in Brisbane in 1975.

Notes Open access

#### Box 1

#### Correspondence, Incoming

- G.S.P. Book Productions Pty. Ltd., 31 Aug 1972.
- John Oxley Library, State Library of Queensland, 8 Sep 1976.
- Mitchell Library, State Library of New South Wales, 14 Jan 1977, 28 Jan 1977.
- National Library of Australia, 25 Jun 1976, 20 Oct 1976, 29 Nov 1976, 2 May 1977.

#### **Correspondence, Outgoing**

- Ron Tullipan to Gough Whitlam, 27 Jan 1975.
- Mrs. Vi Tullipan to Mitchell Library, State Library of N.S.W. 20 Jan 1977.

## **Trophy**

Waterside Workers Federation of Australia. All Ports Carnival 1956. Short story competition awarded to R. Tullipan.



#### **Printed Material**

- Bacon's Australian Sixpenny Atlas.
- Australian Journal, 2 Jul 1951, 1 Jan 1952.
- Logan and Albert Times. Friday, 28 Feb 1975. Page 1 story about Beaudesert Hospital receiving a Ron Tullipan painting of the Stinston rescue. Photograph of Ron Tullipan with hospital staff.
- Australian Author. Vol.8 (2) Autumn-April 1976. Obituary of Ron Tullipan, photocopy [Copy belonged to Brisbane City Council Library Service. This copy was returned to the library.]

#### **Manuscripts of playscripts**

Tullipan, Vi and Tullipan, Ron. 'Never never, never girl: a play in three acts', typescript, 144 leaves

# Box 2

## Manuscripts of short stories

- Ron Tullipan, 'Bless you, Colleen', typescript, 11 leaves
- "A Bone contention", Ron Tullipan
- "Bush telegraph", Ron Tullipan
- "Bye, ol' man, Ron Tullipan"
- "Climax Street". Reprint from The Realist no. 33, winter 1969, p1-9, Ron Tullipan
- "The Connoisseur" / bv 'Kettler'
- "Dispersal", Ron Tullipan
- "A guest at large", Ron Tullipan
- "Just another Sunday", Ron Tullipan
- "Killer Cavern", Ron Tullipan. Attached to story is rejection slip from K.G. Murray Publishing
- "Kingdom for a horse", Ron Tullipan. Attached to short story is letter from Darwin Centenary Celebrations Committee 15 Dec 1969 returning ms. and advising of winners in the Darwin Centenary Celebrations short story competition.
- "Kingdom for a horse" / by 'Nudgee'. Attached to story is slip from *Sunday Mail* advising results of the Warana Literary Competition to be published in *Sunday Mail*.
- "A place to write", Ron Tullipan
- "The protective instincts of Sergeant Clancy", Ron Tullipan
- "Tom Thorpe", Ron Tullipan
- "Trade route", Ron Tullipan
- "The visitor", Ron Tullipan



- What happened at downfall, Ron Tullipan
- Manilla folder containing
  - "The other lagoon: a short story" / by 'Nudgee'
  - o "Young faithful: a novel" by Ron Tullipan

# Box 3

## Manuscripts of short stories and novels

Spring-clip folder containing:

- "Rejection slips: short story" / by 'Nudgee'
- 2 leaves of unidentified story
- "Bush telegraph: short story", Ron Tullipan
- "Food for thought: a short story", Ron Tullipan
- "Side trail to Cree Junction", Ron Tullipan
- 2 leaves passage from the 1955 section of this diary, which reads This ship is a firetrap.
  Refers to the Dara, British India Company, subsidiary of the Orient Line.
- Typed pages of unidentified story (Characters: Trooper Chapman, Merv. Baker)
- "Gang 13", Ron Tullipan
- Unidentified stories, Ron Tullipan
- "Young faithful", Ron Tullipan
- "Sign of the flying horse", Ron Tullipan
- "Synopsis of the acid test", Ron Tullipan
- "Tornado", Ron Tullipan
- "Unidentified story", Ron Tullipan
- "Young faithful", Ron Tullipan

### Box 4

#### Manuscripts of novels

- "Bandit's rendezvous: a western novelette" / by De Faria
- "Side trail to Cree Junction", Ron Tullipan
- "Call yourself an author: a nove" / by "Mirth"
- "Captive town: A western novel" / by Rick Tolliver
- "Climax Street" / by Ron Tullipan
- "Escort Road" / by R.Tully



## Box 5

- "Follow the sun: a novel of the Australian waterfront"
- "Hellgate's woman", by Ron Tullipan
- "The insubordinate", by Ron Tullipan
- "Kettler's Creek: a western novel:, by Rick Tolliver
- "Never-Never woman", by Ron Tullipan
- "Streetstranger", by Ron Tullipan

### Box 6

- "The Sydneysiders: a novel of the Australian goldfields", by Ron Tullipan
- "Tom Thorpe", Ron Tullipan
- "The Vandemoienne" / by "Harrigan"

## Box 7

- "Wake up place" by Ron Tullipan
- "What happened at downfall" by Ron Tullipan
- "Young Faithfull: a novel" by Ron Tullipan
- Untitled story
- Synopsis of a story about a Papua New Guinea patrol officer, untitled, with a covering letter.

### Box 8

#### **Clippings Book**

Contains newspaper clippings, clippings of Tullipan's stories from magazines, etc; issues of periodicals; there is a fairly large amount of correspondence also pasted into volume; also photographs. Throughout the volume there are notes about Ron Tullipan and incidents in his life by his wife Vi Tullipan. Other material in the volume includes book jackets, art programmes, bookseller's catalogues, and invitations. The pasting of material into the volume was not completed.

There are a number of loose letters, etc. at the back of the volume. These are mainly sympathy cards and letters following Ron Tullipan's death.

National Library of Australia. Oral history project. Transcript of interview of Ron Tullipan by Hazel de Berg, 19 August 1969. 15 leaves of typescript, with conditions of access form.



## Box 9

#### **Notes and Notebooks**

- 3 notebooks, containing notes, drafts of stories etc.
- 1 folder containins 5 writing pads. Notes autobiography, typescripts of story.
- 1 folder containing New Guinea research notes for his story based on N.G. patrol officer.
- 1 folder containing notes, similes and wisecracks, characters for stock route; also readers reports of Ron Tullipan's manuscript, "Call yourself an author" reports by Irene Greenwood, Bert Vickers, Nina Calthorpe.
- 1 notebook containing various notes.
- Ron Tullipan's article "As Homosexual" on Ned Kelly.

# **Box 10**

#### Notes, research material, etc.

- 1 Folder containing notes for story based on the Kelly Gang.
- 1 envelope containing research notes for novel, "Vandemonienne".
- 1 folder containing notes, drafts, newspaper cuttings. Contains notes, typescript pages of stories mainly unidentified) newspaper clippings. Also contains typescripts for to books "Killer Cavern", "A Place to Write".
- Sydney Trade Union Club Library, Book List.
- Photographic copies of pages from Australian Bushranging
- 1 folder containing notes on territory phrases; newspaper clippings; sketches; poem; various notes; on cattle country and stock routes, and aboriginal legends, drafts of story about droving; drafts and sections of other short stories.

# **Box 11**

Logan and Albert Times. 28 Feb 1975

Rangeville State School Golden Jubilee booklet

Readers and writers, Australasian Book Society news, no.22, Feb 1967

Bushfire Appeal art exhibition catalogue

#### **Photographs**

- Ron & Vi Tullipan with son
- Ron Tullipan with daughter-in-law, Margaret at their wedding
- [Unidentifed]



Leaflet re Labour Day, 3 May, 1982

Reward poster – Tourist poster from Sovereign Hill.

Nationalist Association of N.S.W. Syllabus of lectures, 1965.

Notes on Melbourne Cup week, 1980.

## Correspondence, Incoming

- Greeting card Good luck and good health, 1972
- Australasian Book Society invitation, 5 Oct 19--, 10 Dec 1967
- Australasian Authors Fund, Oct 1974
- National Library of Australia, 19 Aug 1976
- Queensland Public Curator Office, 28 Jul 1976.
- Rangeville State School, 30 Aug 1976
- Sverling, Anthony, 24 May 1972

#### Correspondence, Outgoing

• Tullipan, Florence Vivienne to Public Curator Office, Brisbane, 8 Aug 1976

Mary Gilmore Award medallion inscribed "1961 Ron Tullipan novel"

Ron Tullipan's driver's licence, R.S.L. membership card and Australian Society of Authors membership card.

### Parcel 1

Self Portrait (standing in front of typewriter; wall sketches; boxing, buck jumping, army; Australian flag in drawer) oil on composite board, 120 x 70 cm.