

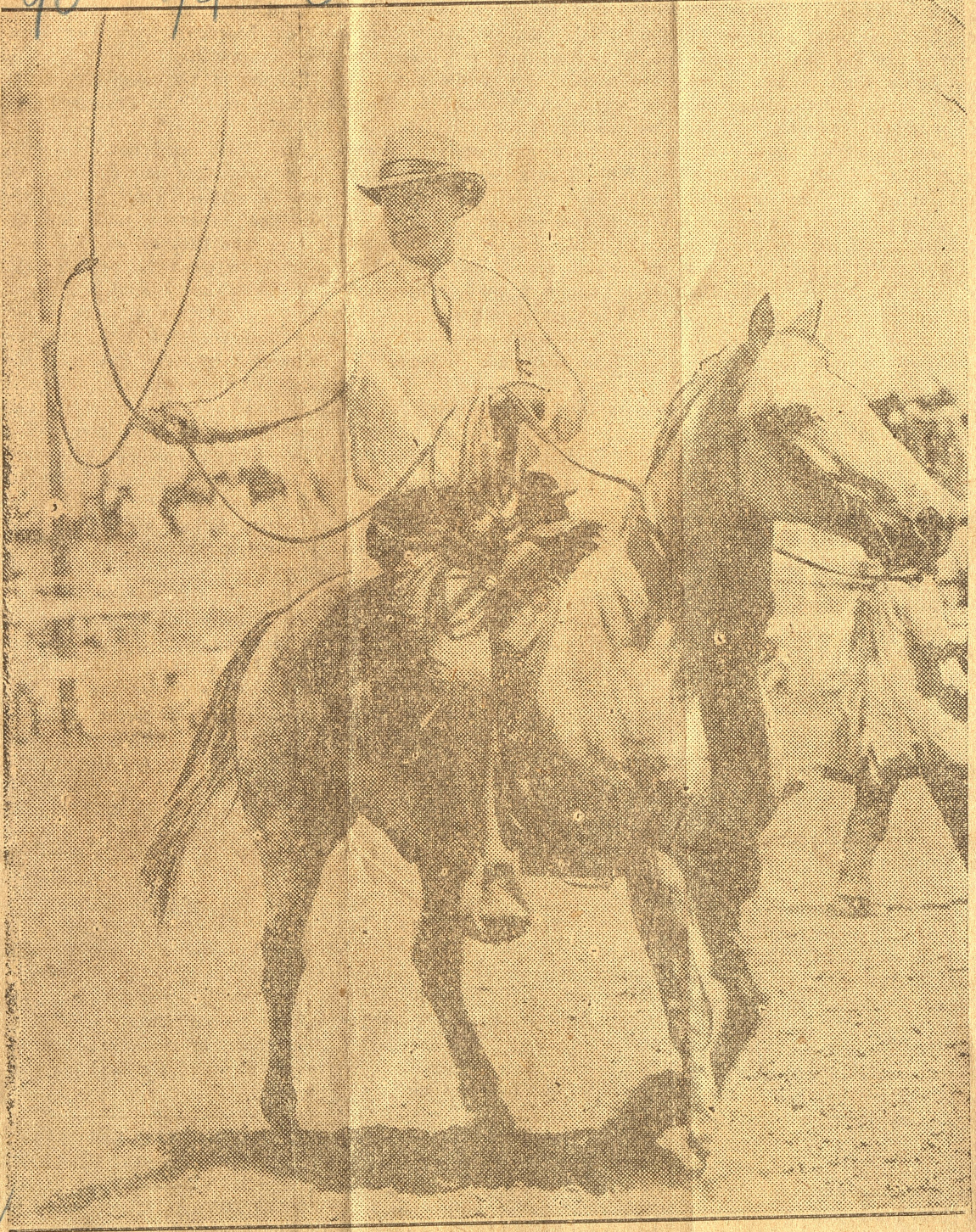
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WILL ROGERS LAST VISIT TO TEXAS WAS TO TEXAS COWBOY REUNION, STAMFORD

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WILL ROGERS

Dallas News, Aug. 17, 1935.

Newspapers never had a better friend than Will Rogers. He read them and relied upon them. Indeed, he is said to have read little else. Through them he attained an uncanny insight into the quirks and foibles of his countrymen. Again and again, from one end of the United States to the other, he amazed and delighted his audiences with his intimate understanding of community jealousies, local

cross-purposes and ridiculous provincialisms. He challenged millions to shouts of laughter at their own absurdities. His jests were frequently incisive; but they rarely drew blood. There was light and healing in his fun.

Will Rogers was a force for sanity in American life. When other men were losing their heads in panic or anger, Will Rogers habitually kept his. Full of foolishness, he was devoid of folly. With potentates or paupers his mien was the same, his self-possession and good humor unflin-

His was the genius of the common man at his best—common honesty, common sympathy, common sense; that was Will Rogers. Doing without him is going to be hard.

(Note—The above picture of Will Rogers and the Little Gray Horse of Swenson Ranch was made by Frank Reeves, formerly of Stamford, now of Fort Worth Star-Telegram, at the Texas Cowboy Reunion, July 3, 1935, and the article by The Dallas News and picture by Reeves are well worth keeping.)