Rogers' Body May Stay Month in California

All Plans Indefinite, Says Son; Effort Made to Give Widow Chance to Rest

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 23 (AP).—Will Rogers Jr. indicated tonight it would be a month or two before his father's body is taken to his native Oklahoma for burial.

"All our plans in that regard are very indefinite," he said.

"We are trying to get mother away for a few weeks' rest, but it may be some time before this can be done. There is so much around here that keeps reminding her of Dad, but maybe within a week or two it will be possible to make a short trip somewhere.

"No member of the family has been approached about the several memorial plans, so far as I know."

He mentioned specifically a proposal that the federal and state governments purchase of the Rogers ranch as a memorial park.

"We know nothing directly of the plan," he said. "Of course this ranch is our home."

At the request of Mrs. Rogers a committee of women from Los Angeles and Glendale churches took blooms from the numerous floral offerings presented at the funeral services yesterday of the late humorist and philosopher, made them into thousands of small bouquets and gave them to invalids and patients in hospitals in this area.

The Twentieth Century-Fox Studio, where most of Rogers' pictures were made, announced a new $200,000 sound stage now underconstruction would be named the Will Rogers

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stage and a bronze plaque placed over the entrance.

Oklahoma Capitol Grounds Proposed As Memorial Site.

OKLAHOMA CITY, Aug. 23 (AP).—The Oklahoma Capitol grounds was proposed tonight as a fitting site for permanent, home state memorials to Will Rogers and Wiley Post.

A committee of Oklahoma City business men, headed by Don L. Branham, planned to confer with Governor E. W. Marland Monday and ask him to appoint a commission having statewide representation to assume direction of the movement.

Branham, who suggested the Capitol grounds, said he had found most sentiment in favor of separate monuments to honor the famous pair.

Plans for a memorial to Rogers were being considered at Claremore, where many contributions had been received, but no definite type for the recognition had been decided upon.

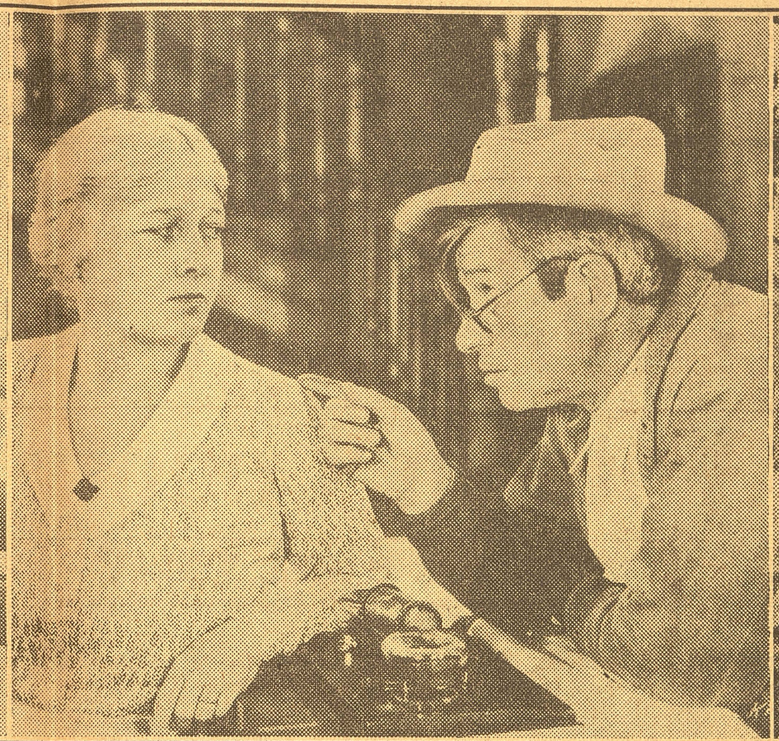
THE Morning Star-Telegram presents the fourth of a series of pictures in the life of Will Rogers. Another appears tomorrow.

WILL ROGERS' LIFE AS SEEN BY THE CAMERA

JOHN D. gets a dime—On an air tour—When he played as "Lightnin'"—Just a couple of pals.

WILL ROGERS IS SEEN HERE WITH JOHN D. Rockefeller Sr. at Ormond Beach, Fla., several years ago when Will reversed the tables and gave the multimillionaire a dime. The comedian apparently got a good laugh out of the incident.

CAPTAIN FRANK HAWKS, THE SPEED FLIER, WAS ONE OF ROGERS' best friends. Hawks was Rogers' pilot on his tour through Southwestern states in 1931 to raise Red Cross funds for drouth relief sufferers. Bundled in heavy clothes and flying boots are Rogers, Captain Hawks (center) and Casey Jones, veteran commercial pilot.



HERE IS A TYPICAL ROGERS MOVIE POSE. HE'S SHOWN HERE with Louise Dresser in a dramatic moment of the screen adaptation of the famous stage play "Lightnin'," which scored such a success on Broadway. Rogers' homely sayings made the picture one of the box office successes of the year.

CRONIES. THAT DESCRIBES FRED STONE, LEFT, and Will Rogers. Their friendship dated back to Rogers' stage show days in New York. As neighbors their children grew up together. Rogers took Stone's role in a play when the latter's injury threatened its success.