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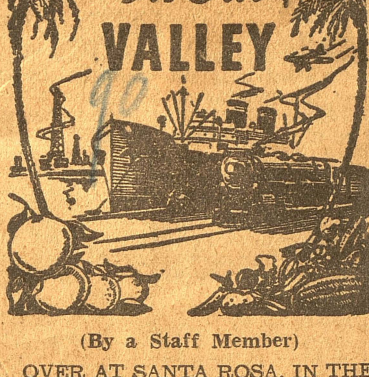
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(By a Staff Member)

OVER AT SANTA ROSA, IN THE northeastern part of Cameron county, there's a gentleman named Tom Phillips.

In former years, up at Chicago, he was a photographer of more than ordinary note. He has photographed famous citizens of the United States, and noteworthy events.

Now he is a newspaper editor and publisher. He himself will tell you about that newspaper. It is the Santa Rosa Signal. Not a great newspaper, but one that serves its community, and serves it well.

Tom Phillips' local activities may be circumscribed. After all, Santa Rosa is not a city; it is a little town. A good little town. A little town with fine citizens, splendid folks.

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RECENTLY TOM PHILLIPS read in The Brownsville Herald that a fund was being raised. A national fund.

This fund was intended to be a popular subscription. Large amounts from individuals were not expected. They were, however, invited.

The fund was being raised to organize a foundation, the purpose of the foundation being to erect, or to establish a memorial to the late Will Rogers, the great humorist, who loved all the people. Possibly the fund will establish a hospital for crippled children.

Tom Phillips was an admirer of Will Rogers.

He decided that Santa Rosa citizens might wish to contribute to that Will Rogers fund.

So he prepared a subscription list.

A fund of \$2.51 was raised. In small amounts. Just the sort of community fund we are sure Will Rogers would have appreciated most.

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THE AMOUNT WAS FORWARDED to The Brownsville Herald. The Herald, in turn, will forward it to Mr. Amon G. Carter, the Texas publisher who is chairman for the fund in Texas.

Here are the contributors at Santa Rosa:

Tom Holley J. F. Baughn, John Sasgen, J. C. Staats, J. D. Hammett, C. M. Bobo, Jr., Aulton Williams, L. H. Martin, D. W. Branch, Tom Phillips, J. W. Black, Snook's Place, A. F. Landry, W. P. Clements, Floyd Ezell, John Pulchney, B. G. Maloan. D. P. Ladd, H. M. Little, W. D. Cox, Mrs. Wm. C. Schley, H. S. Norman, E. Ray Englert, Earl Hill, J. G. Mocrn, Otis Dixon, C. D. Richardson, Carl W. Voight, W. G. Birkner, Elizabeth Baurmann, E. A. Schattenberg, C. Max Bobo, Tom R. Sibson.

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AND IF WILL ROGERS KNEW about it, he also would appreciate that contribution of \$3 raised by the children of the Santa Maria school, and sent in to The Herald by Superintendent Tucker of the school.

And still another contribution has come from Miss Julia O'Brien, that great hearted soul of Brownsville.

And were it not for the fact that the Will Rogers fund was being raised at a time when there were Red Cross seal drives, charity drives, Centennial Exposition fund drives, and perhaps others, the Will Rogers fund would have attracted many more contributors.

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