

January 3, 1939

Mrs. Will Rogers  
Beverly Hills, California

Dear Mrs. Rogers:

This letter is going ahead of the preliminary sketch which is supposed to be copied for the big mural that is going to be placed when completed in the Will Rogers Memorial in Fort Worth, Texas.

The large canvass will be about eleven feet wide and fifteen feet high. The figure of Mr. Rogers and his horse will be full life size.

After you have viewed the sketch, would you kindly return it at your earliest convenience so that the big work can be started upon immediately.

I would like to have your approval before I begin the work on the large painting. Any suggestion that you may have I shall appreciate it deeply if you will write me at the above address as I can change it on the small one first and then make an absolute reproduction on the large one. I want you to note that the face of Mr. Rogers is so small that I was unable to put in more details in his expression of the features but in the large painting which will be life size I will have more room to bring forth the actual expression of the man and the horse.

As to the opening of the box, please note carefully that the top of the box is on hinges and you can unscrew the three which are marked "unscrew here" and when the door is opened you can pull out the painting which is protected by the felt cloth so as to prevent it from being scratched or rubbed. When you are ready to return it, try and pack it the same way in the box.

Thanking you in advance for your immediate attention I remain with best wishes for a happy New Year

Appreciately yours,

SMS:J