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THIS WOULD BE A GREAT TIME IN THE WORLD FOR SOME MAN TO COME ALONG THAT KNEW SOMETHING ★ VILLAINS ARE GETTING AS THICK AS COLLEGE DEGREES AND SOMETIMES ON THE SAME FELLOW ★ THE QUOTABLE WILL ROGERS ★ GREAT ARTISTS SAY THAT THE MOST BEAUTIFUL THING IN THE WORLD IS A BABY. WELL, THE NEXT IS AN OLD LADY, FOR EVERY WRINKLE IS A PICTURE ★ YOU CAN'T HAVE THE PICNIC UNLESS THE PARTY CARRYING THE BASKET COMES ★ IF YOU LIVE LIFE RIGHT, DEATH IS A JOKE AS FAR AS FEAR IS CONCERNED ★ THEY WANT PEACE. BUT THEY WANT A GUN TO GET IT WITH ★ WITH A FOREWORD BY LARRY GATLIN ★ THE MORE YOU KNOW, THE MORE YOU THINK SOMEBODY OWES YOU A LIVING ★ EVERY GUY LOOKS IN HIS POCKET AND THEN VOTES ★ WHEN A FELLOW DON'T HAVE MUCH MIND IT DON'T TAKE HIM LONG TO MAKE IT UP ★ YOU DON'T CLIMB OUT OF ANYTHING AS QUICK AS YOU FALL IN ★ I AM KIND OF LIKE A POLITICIAN. THE LESS I KNOW ABOUT ANYTHING THE MORE I CAN SAY ABOUT IT ★

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THE QUOTABLE WILL ROGERS ★ CARTER



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THEORIES ARE GREAT, THEY SOUND GREAT, BUT THE MINUTE YOU ARE ASKED TO PROVE ONE IN ACTUAL LIFE, WHY THE THING BLOWS UP

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HALF OUR LIFE IS SPENT TRYING TO FIND SOMETHING TO DO WITH THE TIME WE HAVE RUSHED THROUGH LIFE TRYING TO SAVE

NO MAN IS GREAT IF HE THINKS HE IS

QUOTABLE

A MAN THAT DON'T LOVE A HORSE, THERE IS SOMETHING THE MATTER WITH HIM

WILL

I NEVER MET A MAN I DIDN'T LIKE

ROGERS

JOSEPH H. CARTER ★ FOREWORD BY LARRY GATLIN

The Quotable Will Rogers celebrates the life and career of one of America's most beloved entertainers. Dubbed the "Cowboy Philosopher," Will's straight-talkin', wise-crackin', witty political commentary and social musings endeared him to kings and commoners alike.

Illustrated with many never-before-published photographs and a collection of his best-known quotes, *The Quotable Will Rogers* also includes biographical information on Will Rogers' family and his life as an entertainer, humorist, radio personality, actor and newspaper columnist. Sit back, kick yer boots off and enjoy!

ALL ABOUT WILL



Alive, Will Rogers was phenomenally successful. Longer than he lived, he remained Americana personified. He wrote six books during his fifty-five years. Following his 1935 death, more than 235 titles had been written about him. Will starred in seventy-one motion pictures. Fifteen years following his death, his own saga, *The Story of Will Rogers*, became a major cinema hit.

During the 1920s, Will Rogers was a comic in New York's glittery *Ziegfeld Follies*. Seventy years later, his life was set to music on Broadway, where *The Will Rogers Follies: A Life in Revue* won six Tony Awards and has traveled throughout North America, South America, Europe, Asia and Australia. During two decades as a syndicated columnist, Will wrote four thousand articles that were widely quoted at the time. Over the next seven decades, scores of columnists regularly quoted his savvy notions, ideas and cowboy humor.

Will was America's pioneer radio commentator. Seldom personal, he equally taunted both Democrats and Republicans. Contrasting twenty-first-century pundits and commentators, he tempered criticism with warm wit devoid of malice.

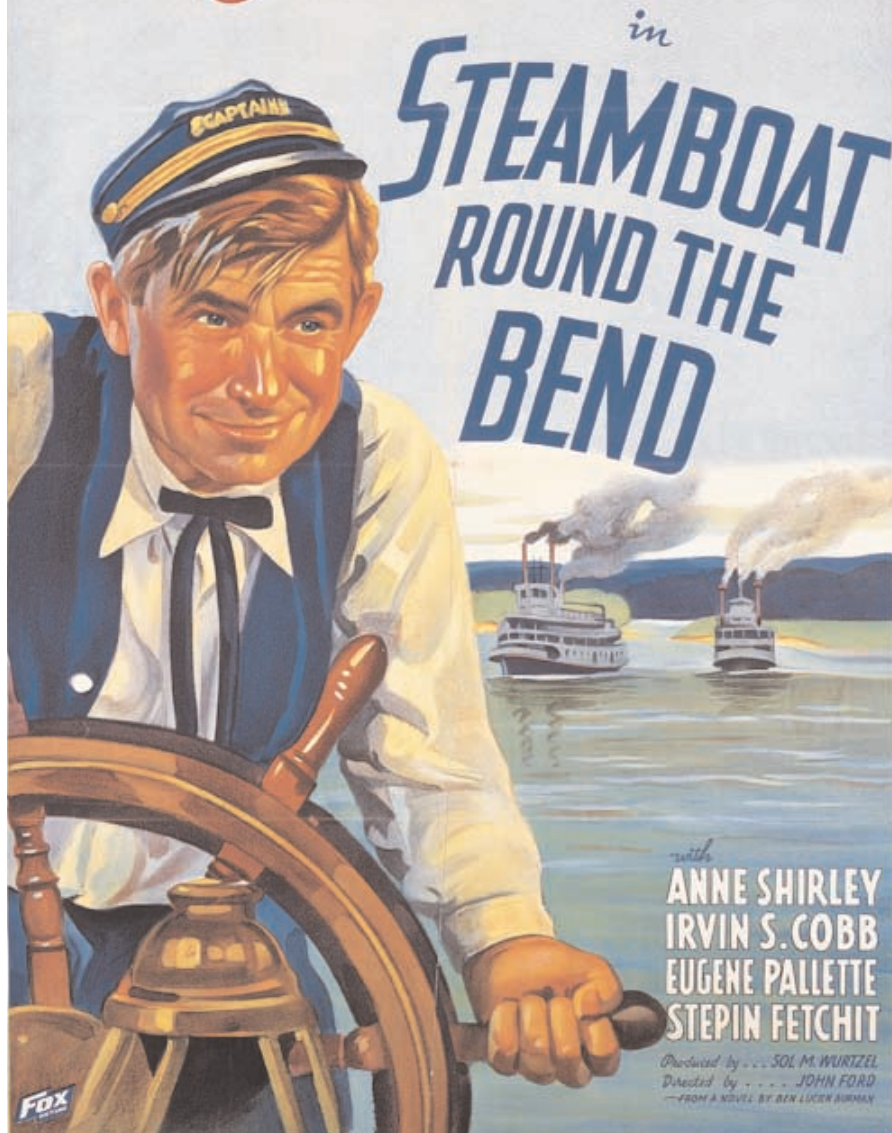
During Hollywood's early racy era, scandals, divorces and love trysts among actors were common headlines. Superstar Will Rogers remained the faithful husband, adored father and dedicated family man at home on the ranch. Born into a mixed-blood Cherokee ranch family on the wild frontier, he was an accomplished nineteenth-century cowboy, fancy trick roper and horseman well before automobiles were invented.

In the twenty-first century, he was formally named fortieth among the most influential fathers of aviation. Most often traveling by steamship, Will Rogers circumnavigated the globe three times. He died in a single-engine airplane crash at the northernmost point of America while preparing for the world's first transpolar flight. Networks were silenced for thirty minutes observing his death. Planes towing black banners flew over New York. More than fifty thousand people marched past his bier. His statue was mounted in the nation's capitol so that he could "keep an eye on Congress."

Here was a man who was born on the rugged American frontier in a log house without radio, electric lightbulbs, indoor toilets and water faucets. Yet, Will had cannily mastered all the communication media that had burst upon civilization during his ensuing fifty-five years.

Along the way, Will Rogers captured the hearts of most Americans.

Will ROGERS



EVERYDAY LIFE

YOU GOT TO SORTER GIVE AND TAKE IN THIS OLD WORLD.



YOU MUST JUDGE A MAN'S GREATNESS BY HOW MUCH HE WILL BE MISSED.



PEOPLE ARE MARVELOUS IN THEIR GENEROSITY IF THEY JUST KNOW THE CAUSE IS THERE.



IT'S GREAT TO BE GREAT, BUT IT'S GREATER TO BE HUMAN.



NO MAN IS GREAT IF HE THINKS HE IS.



THE MORE YOU KNOW THE MORE YOU THINK SOMEBODY OWES YOU A LIVING.



I NEVER MET A MAN I DIDN'T LIKE.



WHEN A DOCTOR HAS PULLED YOU THROUGH WHY YOU ALWAYS GOT A WARM PLACE IN YOUR HEART FOR HIM.



WHEN YOU STRADDLE A THING, IT TAKES A LONG TIME TO EXPLAIN IT.



WE SHOULD NEVER REACH SO HIGH THAT WE WOULD EVER FORGET THOSE WHO HELPED US GET THERE.

Ziegfeld Follies publicity photo of Will Rogers ringing the cast with a crinoline.



**EVERYBODY IS
IGNORANT. ONLY ON
DIFFERENT SUBJECTS.**



WHEN IGNORANCE GETS STARTED, IT KNOWS NO BOUNDS.



**THERE IS NOTHING AS EASY AS DENOUNCING. IT DON'T TAKE MUCH TO SEE THAT
SOMETHING IS WRONG BUT IT DOES TAKE SOME EYESIGHT TO SEE WHAT WILL PUT IT
RIGHT AGAIN.**



NOWADAYS IT IS ABOUT AS BIG A CRIME TO BE DUMB AS IT IS TO BE DISHONEST.



**WE WILL NEVER HAVE TRUE CIVILIZATION UNTIL WE HAVE LEARNED TO RECOGNIZE
THE RIGHTS OF OTHERS.**



**YOU CAN'T LEGISLATE INTELLIGENCE AND COMMON SENSE INTO PEOPLE. YOU CAN'T
BROADEN A MAN'S VISION IF HE WASN'T BORN WITH ONE.**



HUMANITY IS NOT YET READY FOR EITHER REAL TRUTH OR REAL HARMONY.



A FANATIC IS ALWAYS THE FELLOW THAT IS ON THE OPPOSITE SIDE.



**A MAN CAN FOOL YOU WITH HIS MIND, AND HIS SOUL AND HIS HEART, BUT IF YOU
FOLLOW HIS FEET YOU WILL PRETTY NEAR FIND OUT WHERE HE IS GOING.**

