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# **"I'd Like To Be In Texas When They Roundup In The Spring"**

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In the lobby of a big hotel in New York Town, one day  
Sat a bunch of fellows telling yarns, to pass the time  
away  
They told of places where they'd been and different  
things they'd seen  
Some preferred Chicago Town, while others New  
Orleans

I can see the cattle grazing o'er the hills at early morn  
I can see the campfires smoking at the breaking of the  
dawn  
I can hear the bronco's neighing, I can hear the cowboy  
sing  
I'd like to be in Texas for the roundup in the spring

In a corner in an old armchair, sat a man whose hair  
was gray  
He listened to them eagerly, to what they had to say  
They asked him where he'd like to be, his clear old  
voice did ring  
I'd like to be in Texas for the roundup in the spring

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They sat and listened carefully to each word he had to  
say  
They knew the old man sitting there, had been a top  
hand in his day  
They asked him for a story of his life out on the plains  
Slowly he removed his hat then quietly began

I've seen 'em stampede o'er the hills till you'd think  
they'd never stop  
I've seen 'em run for miles and miles until their leader  
dropped  
I was a foreman of a cow ranch, the calling of a king

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sing

I'd like to be in Texas for the roundup in the spring

I'd like to sleep my last long sleep with mother earth for  
bed

My saddle for a pillow, the bright stars overhead  
Then I could hear the last stampede, the songs of  
rivers sing

Way back down in Texas for the roundup in the spring

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