

The Line Rider

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G *C*
There's a broken out window at a lonely line camp,
G D G
Where the snow keeps driftin' in.
G C
There's a hole in the soul of a lone buckaroo,
G D G
That won't heal in the cold, cold wind.
Em Am
There's a longing for light in the gathering night,
Em C D
And for warmth that no stove ever gave;
G C
Still he patches the window and lights up the fire,
G D G
It's the best he can do for today.

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C - G - D - G
D - D - G - C - G

G C
There's a broken down saddle on a peg on the wall;
G D G
Who knows how long it's hung there.
G C
Like the hole in the soul of the lone buckaroo;
G D G
Just too far gone for repair.
Em Am
Still his longing's as wide as the deep midnight sky,
Em C D
And as quiet as the breaking of day.
G C
So he saddles his pony and rides down the line,
G D G
It's the best he can do for today.

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a line camp is used by cowpokes working on the outlying parts of a large ranch.

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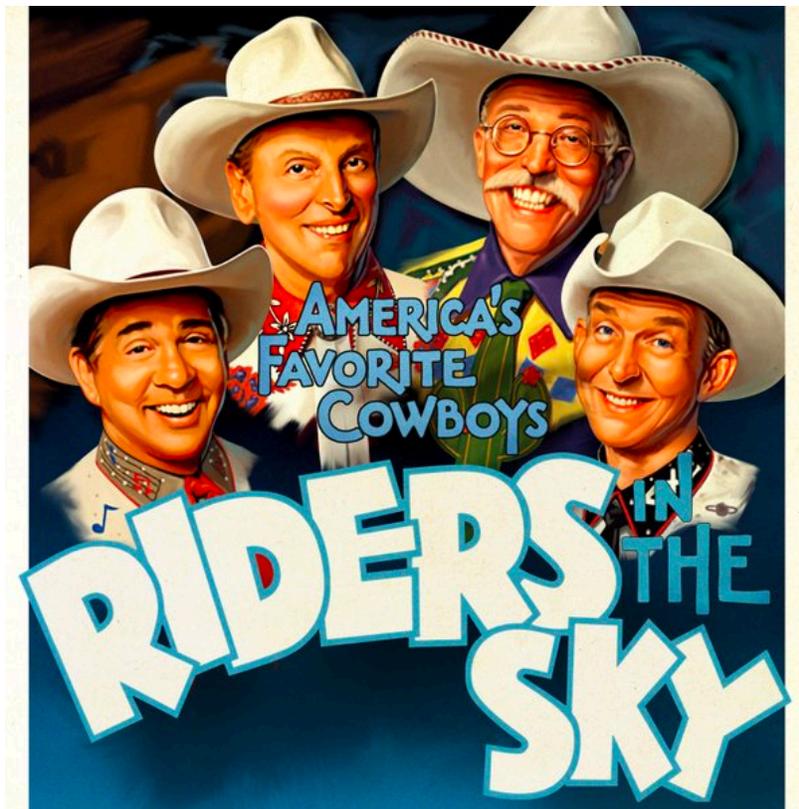
History



Douglas B. Green (born March 20, 1946), better known by his stage name Ranger Doug, is an American musician, arranger and award-winning Western music songwriter, best known for his work with Western Music and the group Riders in the Sky in which he plays guitar and sings lead and baritone vocals. He is also an exceptionally accomplished yodeler. With the Riders, he is billed as "Ranger Doug — The Idol of American Youth" and "Governor of the Great State of Rhythm".

He is also the author of *Singing in the Saddle: The History of the Singing Cowboy* – October 17, 2005.

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