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RIDE 'EM COWBOY

(Voices open on
crossing
sweeper)

Even the street cleaner, who misses little in a day's work, can spot nothing unusual in the air of Acton's Cumberland Park Road. But there's a story behind every door - and Number 16 is no exception.

UP

Sc. 3
(Door opens)

The Payne family is off to Texas. Young Mrs. Payne and her lorry driver husband are in the thick of packing.

UP

Sc. 6
(Boys enter)

And the three reasons for the upheaval - their sons Leonard, Fred and Dennis are way ahead of them already, halfway in the sagebrush and the cactus of the State of Texas. It all started some months ago, when the cowboy crazy youngsters wrote their wishes in a letter and addressed it "to a Cowboy, ANYWHERE in Texas." The reply came from a Cowgirl, Ranch owning Mrs. Olga Weber, offering the family the land on which to build a house and sending three real cowboy suits to guarantee the offer. What a Prairie oyster to be opened by a boy!!!

(Last sentence to
end atop boy)

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