

# The Farmer and the Cowman (feat. Oklahoma Chorus)

## Betty Garde & Ralph Riggs

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Oh, the farmer and the cowman should be friends  
One man likes to push a plough, the other likes to chase a cow  
But that's no reason why they cain't be friends

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I'd like to say a word for the farmer  
He come out west and made a lot of changes  
He come out west and built a lot of fences  
And built 'em right acrost our cattle ranges

The farmer is a good and thrifty citizen  
No matter what the cowman says of things  
You seldom see him drinkin' in a bar room  
Unless somebody else is buyin' drinks.

But the farmer and the cowman should be friends  
Oh, the famer and the cowman should be friends  
The cowman ropes a cow with ease, the farmer steals her butter and cheese  
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I'd like to say a word for the cowboy  
The road he treads is difficult and stony  
He rides for days on end with jist a pony for a friend  
I sure am feelin' sorry for the pony

The farmer should be sociable with the cowboy

If he rides by and asks for food and water  
Don't treat him like a louse, make him welcome in your house.  
But be sure that you lock up your wife and daughter

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And when this territory is a state  
And joins the Union just like all the others  
The farmer and the cowman and the merchant  
Must all behave theirselves and act like brothers

Iâ€™d like to teach you all a little sayinâ€™  
And learn the words by heart the way you should  
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