Indian Cowboy

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If you ever go out to the circus Where the Wallendas walk on the wire I'll tell you a tale to remember When the white horses leap rings of fireIt was a cold night in Oklahoma The show was about to begin The animals they were all restless When the star horse she broke from her penShe was a mare of high spirit Just like a whore on Saturday night She's kickin' and buckin' past the men who were brushin' The elephants lyin' on their sides Next to the tent sat some lanterns They were dangerously close to the hay That mare headed straight for those lanterns Some fool had put there by mistakeThen up stepped some Indian Cowboy His lasso went whirlin' throught the air In the full dead middle of danger He roped that runaway mare

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