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This anthology contains: Black Boots by Robert R. McCammon; Thirteen Days of Glory by Scott Cupp; Gold by Lewis Shiner; The Tenth Toe by F. Paul Wilson; Sedalia by David J. Schow; Trapline by Ardath Mayhar; Trail of the Chromium Bandits by Al Sarrantonio; Dinker's Pond by Richard Laymon; Stampede by Melissa Mia Hall; Empty Places by Gary L. Raisor; Tony Red Dog by Neal Barrett, Jr.; The Passing of the Western by Howard Waldrop; Eldon's Penitente by Lenore Carroll; The Job by Joe R. Lansdale; I'm Always Here by Richard Christian Matheson; Yore Skin's Jes's Soft 'N Purty..He Said by Chet Williamson; and Razored Saddles by Robert Petitt.

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## Nick says

Must read story: Yer Skin's Jes's Soft 'N' Purty ... He Said. Possibly the sickest story I've ever read.

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## David says

A collection of Western Stories with a bizzare twist

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## Lauri says

Kogumik, mille žanrinimetuseks käib läbi päris mitu terminit. "Weird West" oleks ehk kõige tuntum, aga kaane peal leidub veel "Cowpunk horror" ja "Western Macabre", et pilt päris selge oleks. Samas on sees päris mitu juttu (ja need jutud kuuluvad veel kogumiku mõnusaimate hulka, näiteks Neal Barrett Jr'i "Tony Red Dog", või Joe R. Landsdale'i "The Job", ) milles pole ulmet mitte ühe molekuli võrragi vaid tegu on kõige puhtakujulisema crime/thrilleri, ehk krimiga. Nagu kogumike puhul tavaline, võib lood laias laastus jagada kolmeks: lood mis ununevad kohe peale lugemist, lood mis meeldivad kuigi sügavamalt mõeldes midagi väga erilist polnud ja lõpuks, lood mis panid mõtlema, õhku ahmima, uuesti lugema. Kogumiku hinne sõltub tavaliselt esimese ja teise grupi suhtest ja siin on see nii palju ikkagi kaldu teise grupi suunas, et hindeks tuleb "4". Õhkuahmivapanevaid lugusid siin ehk eriti polnudki aga no toogem ülimõnusate lugude näidistena esile Scott Cupp'i muhedalt pervertne ja Ameerika ajaloos märgilist tähendust omava Alamo kaitsmisele ilma libestita tagant sisse sõitev "Thirteen Days of Glory". Siis veel Doc Holliday viimastele päevadele keskenduv F. Paul Wilsoni "The Tenth Toe", natuke nagu nukker ja melanhoolne Gary L. Raisori "Empty Places" ja last but not least, üsna perversne (aga jällegi, ilma vähimagi üleloomuliku elemendita) Chet Williamsoni "Yore Skin's Jes's Soft 'N' Purty...He Said". Eks Metsiku Lääne vastu peab huvi olema, kauboid ja tulnukad peavad istuma, et seda kogumikku korralikult nautida. Julgeks täitsa soovitada, peale minu loetletute oli siin mõnusaid lugusid veel küllaga, nagu ka muidugi mittemidagiütlevaid.

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## Brady Bonney says

The impossible to find Lansdale/LoBurto "cow-punk" anthology is almost worth the hunt. There's a good story from a young Robert McHammond, and another good one from Lansdale that has nothing to do with the theme of the book. A few other novel stories, and a lot of things I can't believe I read.

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## Chip says

When I see a book cover with a skeleton in western garb on a horse, I expect more Old West macabre tales than one and done. Don't get me wrong, there are a few good stories in this collection, but just not enough.

Even the Lansdale story was a let down. I wanted more from the guy who wrote some pretty gruesome Jonah Hex stories for Vertigo.

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### **Peter says**

Enjoyable genre stories designated "Cowpunk Horror" on the spine, but are really more Cyberpunk Westerns with a horror quality to them. I picked this up for very cheap when I worked at Forbidden Planet, a very, very long time ago. These stories are a fun way to balance out Flannery O'Connor's "Collected Stories" Tour De Force and Lawrence Durrell's "Justine" (Vol. 1 of his "Alexandria Quartet") which is some unholy alchemically wicked, intoxicatingly, impossible stuff, that probably should have a warning label affixed to it, like the more fun Rx's from the drugstore do...but I digress, and this collection here compiled by Joe R. Lansdale...is pure fun.

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### **Craig says**

The genre designation underneath the Avon logo on the spine of this one says it all: COWPUNK HORROR. It's a collection of Western horror stories by some of the best writers in the fantasy field. The Chet Williamson story is particularly memorable, as are stories by Robert McCammon, Joe Lansdale, and Howard Waldrop. Without question the best cowpunk horror anthology ever!

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### **Christopher says**

Uneven, but admirable in its goal. The stories that fall short are fine, and none are awful. The real reward of the book are the handful of nuggets of gold amid the at times desolate landscape. Light, quick and worthwhile for a horror/weird fiction fan, but not the casual horror reader.

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### **Helena Sheibler says**

Incredibly gutsy take on the alamo!

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### **BeerDiablo says**

Weird Westerns put a twist on my guilty reading secret, the Western. Add some Sci-Fi, black magic, maybe some crossdressing to a gunfight and you've got one good time.

This has several successful authors, for some it was prior to the success they would later see.

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## Yael says

*Razored Saddles* is an anthology of 17 startlingly original stories of horror and the macabre, gruesome tales of madness, vengeance, and supernal horror in a universe of Indians and aliens, gunmen, ghouls, and Elvis impersonators. From a modern-day dinosaur roundup and the appalling curse that killed Doc Holiday to a ride on a 40-foot rattlesnake in a bizarre post-nuclear rodeo and the *real* story about the Battle of the Alamo, these stories will open doors into evil like none you've ever encountered before, and keep you awake, shaking in fear and covered in cold sweat, for months to come.

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## Jack says

With the exception of Robert McCammon's story, "Black Boots" and Chet Williamson's "Yore Skin's Jes's Soft 'N Purdy," the rest of these stories are forgettable, with most barely fitting into the genre the book promises. It's always a pleasure when I discover short stories by some of my favorite authors hidden away and nearly forgotten on a library shelf, but this collection was disappointing.

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## Preston Postle says

I'm a big fan of the "Weird Western" genre, and an equally big fan of Joe Lansdale, one of the editors of this short-story collection (which includes a Lansdale tale). Sadly, the anthology, which was designed to feature various authors' twisted takes on the Western theme, are mostly not very weird; in fact, some of them aren't really Western. There's a mob story, a couple sci-fi yarns, and one in which the "weird" comes from a male artist's painting himself as the heroine in a series of illustrations for a Western novel. If you're really hankerin' for some strange stuff to chew over, you'll be better served by Lansdale's "Dead in the West" or "Zeppelins West," or perhaps Nancy Collins' "Dead Man's Hand: Five Tales of the Weird West."

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## Charles says

A very fine collection of horror stories. One of the first collection of horror westerns.

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## Steve Chaput says

Nice collection of horror/fantasy stories with a western theme. Some take place in 'the old west' and some in the future. Milage may vary, but I found all of them at least interesting and some excellent.

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