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Dear Brant--

The copy-edited ms of MOUNTAIN TIME, over to you again. As ever, there were some differences of opinion between the writer trying for distinctive flow on the page and the copy editor trying to make that flow follow his rules of the road. We probably end up here with fewer commas and more hyphens than he'd like (and both of us tend to use too many dashes), but any of my stamped STETs or erasures or jotted reasonings in the margin are in the name of making the book reader-friendly. Toward that goal I excised Chuck's commas before a final *and* (examples such as on p.72 : "she would check into a motel, order in a deep-dish pizza, rent a car in the morning and head home." I erased the comma--too-far he had put after "morning") and after what seemed to me self-evident references ("their landlord Ingvaldson" rather than Chuck's "their landlord, Ingvaldson,"). The only guide I know on hyphenation is maximum clarity; when he changed "cyber-regrets" to "cybberregrets" I changed it back with horror, for instance, but my phrase "I guarandamntee you" I still think meets the eye better than his "I guaran-damn-tee you." Also, I retained my characters' usage of statements in the form of questions without question marks: "Is that a fact." and "that wouldn't help, would it." On capitals, I kept those I'd used in specific geographical references--the Bench, the Coast, the Sound--or something like military usage, Officers Training School, but believe we ought to use the contemporary generic when we can on something such as "rollerblading." On usage, I do remain adamant that we are not going to have a book under my name with a town named "Twin Sulphur Springs" that has "sulfur" springs in it.

And so it goes, another manuscript that on first glance looks like another Hundred Years' War between author and copy editor (actually the struggle is eternal), but when we get it into print I believe will have the best of his rules and my abracadabra. My thanks to Chuck Antony for his ministrations--he accurately and valuably picked out a weak scene, which I've fixed--and now onward to galleys!

all best, and Happy New Year as we
start tiptoeing out of the 20th Century

p.s. Brant, when you send the galleys, would you:

1. send 2 sets (so Carol can proof-read 'em at the same time I do)
2. send some more airbills and a few big padded envelopes

Thanks.



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Editorial

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Iran -

Here's the copy-edited
manuscript, as promised. We
need it back by Jan 8th,
as discussed.

Bram

Consistent style:

No comma: assistant keeper Suzette.

noun clusters: eyeblink, rockpile, rockpicking

No comma before final and (ex. p. 72)

No question mark when a statement is indicated, even if form is question (73), 1161. "I start a foot."

combined adjectives: no hyphen unless needed for clarity: shortsided

Cap shortened names + geography: Bench, Coast, Sound

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series comma

Travis's

the word cat; the letter e

sounds are italic: twang; rrrs

direct address generally lc: old Sarge, Dad,
missy, petunia, reader, boss, kid, son

"which" used in restrictive clauses

lc sentence follows colon

interior monologue: initial cap, no quotes, often
italic; dialogue remembered / imagined /
anticipated / etc. often the same (cf. a smile that
said, Right guess?)

Western; Mount Saint Helens; Cascade Range;
Rocky Mountain Front; Freemont district;
Freezout colony; Eastern European; Fort Collins;
Pacific Northwest; northern Montana; Colin
country; Lyle land

the Eugene Scene; Jerome "Bing" Bingford III;
Tumbling T's; Walking 7's

spell out 1-100, large round numbers, *most*
numbers in dialogue:

'65; three-fourths; thirty-five thousand; \$3.95;
thirty-some; 5 A.M. [sm cap]; ninety-nine
percent; sixties; two million; 1960s; six foot
five; World War II; "World War Two"; .375
Magnum; "nineteen sixty-seven"; flight 99;
Forty-first Infantry Division; "Highway 89";
twenty-something; "Fortune 500"; "September
6, 1928"

Arctic Dancer

Arctic

alpine

Aconcagua

Afroed

air-dropped

Allison

Atigun Pass

Anaktuvuk River

Aronson

Aggregate Construction Materials, Inc.
angleworm

burnet

bowline

bulkhead

barbwire

breakaway, adj

beddie-bye

Bingford, Jerome III (Bing); Jerry

biome

base camp

big-hat, adj

barrel racing

bank shot

bigfoot; pl bigfoots

boot camp

Buford

backup

benchwarmer

bullhorn

bigfella

bylined

bug-eyed

bloodthirstiness

bed light

boomtown

bush plane

Bob Marshall Wilderness Area

backwater

blonde

benchland; bench top

battle flag

broad-jump, v

Ballard

Busby, Hal

bowlegged

Buffalo Calf Speaks, Nancy

backstreet

buckrake

Blue Goose

Brainerd, Donald; Matthew

bigheaded

bedpost

booby trap, n

Baby Boomer

ball cap

bunkhouse

bread stick

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bloodline
bandanna
blowup
boxboard
bean hill
bear cub
bootlace
headline
backache
breakup
boot print

census taker
Cyberia
cyber words closed up when possible
(e.g., cyberevangelist)
cybermaire
collarbone
coast, the; Left Coast
"Coastwatch"
cliff face
Coldwater Ridge
Cascopia; Cascopian
cold-blooded
clear-cut logging
cafe
"Cityscape"
camp stove
cowling
Cynthia
cube mate
crazy house
cleanup
craphead
Customs area
Colin
cliff line
Class B football
co-op
chitchat
Continental Divide; the Divide
coat hook
chockful
CCC
cutbank
crow's nest
Candless, Lieutenant
candy ass
C ration
claw print
clothbound
crosshatch
crewman
Conlon, Alf; Edna

close-up
crack-up
crawl line
creek bank
concertmaster

double-talk
do-si-do
d word
directory assistance
Do-Re-Mi Catering
dream house
Dopey
downpoint, v
door frame
drill bit
Divide, the; Continental Divide
daybook
double-wide
dump truck
daddy longlegs
drawknife
deathwatch
dryland, adj; drylander
dog-tired
dust ball
Donstedder Bench
dogpile, v
dry-hole, adj
date book

earplug
Espresso A Go Go
editor/publisher
eye blink
empty-handed
Elderhostel
eggshell
E-mail
Eliason, Paul
eyebolt
eyeteeth
El [train]

fish boat; fishing boat
Fuji Fellowship
Ferry Building
freestanding
featherduster bird
floatplane
Freemont Bridge
freehand
Forest Service
fringey

fire wall
Flatley
F&G
foghorn
Frelinghuysen, Aaron
fireboat
force field
Frew family
Forsyth Dogies
Ferragamo, Janine; Joe
foursquare
far-flung
flyway
foul-up
fire tower
field hand
forklift
fieldstripping
fence post
fence line
fox fur
fork-tailed swallow
fly-fishing; fly fisherman

grease gun
Gros Ventre
getup
glom graf
go-go boots
gasbaggery
giveaway
Guillermo
gatepost
good-bye
god bod
grainfield
gun sight
going-over
gun barrel

hair ball
heronry
hot blasted
high five
Hebners
horse-faced
head shake
hay field
Hutterites
honchos, pl
Hallelujah Chorus
handoff
hat brim
hogback

head start
homegrown
hay maker
hay hand

Ingvaldson, Henry
inchworm
inspector general
ice cap
international date line
ice face
Ice Age
Iron Tumbleweed
ironbound
ice maiden

Juice Up
jack-o'-lantern
Jacobson, Jake
jetliner
jump seat
jet lag
jackstay
jackknife
jet-setter
jack squat
jungleer
jack pine
Jaci

KPLU
Kodiak
knee pad
kayaked
Kranski
kapow
knickknack
knitwear

lakefront
line-dance, v
littoral
Left Coast; the coast
Leopold, Aldo
like-minded
letup
long-shot, adj
lineup
Living X Ray
long-tailed
lakeside
longhaired
Lewis and Clark Bicentennial Planning
Committee

ledger book
landform
Loper
Loop [Chicago]
LP; LPs
Larsen
lazyboard
lake shore

McCaskill, Alexandra Marie (Lexa); Beth; Jick;
Alexander; Mariah
Mudd, Travis
Mountain time [of day]; mountain time [time in
mountains]
mainsail
Margarita
Mason, Moira
miniskirt (but *mini* words not in Web. styled open:
mini bottle)
Marshall, Bob
Mancini
muscle man
Mr. Quickie
mountain climbing
man-made
make-out, adj
Mountie
motor home
mini bottle
Mannion, Fritz
milk shake
mama
moleskin
moonwalker
minefield
mouthwatering

North Pacific
newly wed, adj
nightlong

oldtimer's (Alzheimer's)
okay
oil port
off-key

pageboy haircut
Post-Intelligencer; P-I
piton
prairie-dog, v
payoff
Palmer
paw print
piranhaed

pipe dream
paper clip
Phantom Woman Mountain
play-off
pyre
pinch bar
pantsuit
pack frame
partycomer
Primitive Area
pecker-pole logging
phone book

quickly; quicklies

rain blotter
Rozier, Mitchell; Jocelyn (Joss); Marnie; Laurits
(Ritz); Lyle; Adele Conlon
rock picking; rock-pick, v
rain suit
rain jacket
rain pants
Rollerblade
row house
right-hand, adj
ranch-born, adj
rear-end, adj
red-tailed hawk
Ruthie
Rozier Bench
rock pile
running board
Rin
rib cage
runoff
rib eye
race driver
roundup
rock spill
rock face
ridgeline
redwing blackbird
rimrock
rock field
rock slide
roof board

Springs, the (Twin Sulphur Springs)
sulfur
stickit
salal
skate wheel
spread-eagled
shoulder blade

sailboarder
shoreline
seaplane
sonofabitch
sonofagun; sunsofguns
stair-step rapid
sawmiller
slickrock
Spaceship Earth
sun glare
short-gainer
splash-dance
single-handedly
Seattle Week!
schoolkid
schoolchildren
sheepdog
shepherd
Suzette
sergeancy
streetlight
skull-top ears
setup
shagnasties
sick sack
streamside
seiner
ska
short-sided
stir-fry
sherpa
shitstorm
sandstorm
Southern Hemisphere
stonemason
smokestack
stoneboat
squeeze-tube, adj
school bus
Sweetgrass Hills
school yard
stair tread
shoe leather
scatbrain
stir-crazy
Springhouse Supper Club
Stapfer, Pastor Jacob
Sharpless
side street
slipknot
shavetail
swizzle stick
standoff
sweet grass

sabbath
spinnaker
sunblock
sidehill
send-off
streambed
shock wave
standout, adj
swearword

tai chi
tooth and claw
Trippe, Juanita
timberland
Trixie
train wreck
tailback
Twenty Questions
trailhead
tepee
Two Medicine country; the Two
Twin Sulphur Springs; the Springs
takeoff
Timmons
tra-la-la
towrope
truck driver
tap water
tug-of-war
thumbnail
tail-finned
teeter-totter
Tourniere, Mabel; Tom
tenpenny nail
trapdoor
tail feather
tag end
top-notch
truck bed
timeworn
Truax
timekeeping
tooth and nail
taxi driver
top-heavy
timberline

U.S. mail
UW Daily
U Dub

vigil keeper
viking
Vietnam War

V.F.W. club
Vets' Home

whizbang
Web site
wristwatch
wingtip
windowpane
windowsill
warm-up
world-weary
Winters, Shyanne
Walmeier
wingspan
wonderware
Wright, Riley
WebTV
wazoo
wigwag, v
wash water
wing walker
water glass
wienie
weather-beaten
washcloth
whip bunch
wingspread
wind shell
watershed
Webspeak

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yo-yo

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ZYG
Zanes
Zorn, Peter

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The Coast