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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 8<sup>th</sup>,  
as discussed.

Bram



## Consistent style:

No comma: assistant keeper Suzette.

name 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



## MOUNTAIN TIME / Ivan Doig

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  
Candleless, 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  
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XY Ranch

yo-yo

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Zorn, Peter



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