

Tom

"Holy Christopher"

"Get it out of your system."

"Get that out of your head."

"Don't come unglued."

"...do mankind a service."

"Your head is too busy."

"This is none too good."

"I have my doubts." (Scotch: Eh hay meh doots.)

"Live dangerously."

"That's not such a sharp idea."

"You're a real citizen."

"Right you are."

"Not bad."

No crap?/No bee ess?

Hold your breath until you turn blue.

you drew the short straw.

"(You need to be)careful where you park your

"That's all she wrote."

conscience."

"You better take it a little bit easy." (to rowdy customer)

"There are no flies on that."

"Don't be a plague of locusts."

Don't^{tear} your hair out.

Great, great, great.

Ditto, kiddo

Can't win them all.

Cripes.

Let's don't get carried away.

Ye gods.

It depends.

Blazes

Just don't push it.

What's the story?

the weather on the moon

bank night (Sat. night)

Still teetering and tottering.

Tom

Don't go hog wild.

How about that

Tom Harry mannerisms

"Don't wrinkle your brain about it." ball of worms

"Forget it, kid."

"Yeah, right. Let's all sing "Bringing in the Sheaves.""

"So?"

"Don't make trouble." "Don't give me aggravation, okay?"

"I can see that."

"Run that by me again?"

"Old enough to know better and too young to resist."

"Not in front of the kid." "I'm not getting any younger."

"Don't get in an uproar." #Don't get hydrophobia."

"Don't shillyshally."

"Don't get fuddled." "Don't get in a fluster about it."

"Let me consolidate my thinking." "Hard to see that from here."

"How about some crushed orangutang." "Don't howl about it."

"Straighten up and fly right."

"You ought to lay down until the spasm passes."

"Don't I wish."

"Don't be a dumb cough." (Dummkopf)

"You got it."

"So what?"

"You aren't just woofing."

"Something wrong with that?"

"Get that in your head."

"Don't stand there w/ your mouth open unless you're

"Tell me no lie."

"I'll be the judge of that." catching flies."

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"Don't be a hammerhead."

"Goddamn it to hell anyway."

"Something the matter?"

"No crap? They did that to you?"

"Jersey Christ."

"Hobblegations"

"Do tell." "Beats me."

"Don't get constipated about it."

kid slang:

~~Far out~~

Wild

Unreal

snake boots

Too much

Wowie

Sheesh

Crazy

groovy

How about that.

Later, gator.

I flipped over that./ Don't flip (, but...)

Can't win them all.

Out of sight!

Great

Outstanding

Don't flip, but...

Fine!

Yay! Boo.

weenie

simp

~~Way out(?)~~

shnook

Right on.

Tom

"Lovely," he growled.

Some people."

"You're giving a good imitation of it."

"Don't get your nose out of joint."

"Hey, close your mouth unless you want to catch flies."

My boggled expression wasn't going away that easily.

Tom

There's no justice.

Where's the fairness in that?

What good is that?

Don't stretch the facts to fit the situation.

I growled, "Let's give it the old once-over."

Rusty & Zoe

They love accents, and after seeing a syrupy Southern movie (Tammy? Song of South?), or overhearing someone in oilfield crew or missile site crew, they practice Appalachian drawl:

Gotta take core (car) to

"Gonna put my vee-hickle in the grudge."

"Let's do it ~~now~~ rat now." (right now)

"Rat chewer." (Right you are.)

"Wants a tar, ain't it."

Tom, early on: There's not a snowball's chance in Hell of that.

A couple of subsequent times, he says: Not a snowball's chance.

Tom

That's not such a sharp idea.

A time recaptured (this way)...
that

Rusty

thinks of people as voices

Tom/lingo

Put your head to work.

Don't strain your brain.

sparrowhead

a bucket of puppies/a sack of kittens

Don't you just wish...

JICK'S OBSERVATIONS

FROM ENGLISH CREEK

BY IVAN DOIG

An answer that didn't even start toward the truth.

Making sure the horse hadn't quit the country.

I believe television has got just a hell of a lot to answer for.

Both of us now moping along like sorrow's orphans.

I began to dread the way this was trending.

For as far as I'm concerned, Montana without its mountain ranges would just be Nebraska stretched north.

I'd been literary for maybe three minutes

Mom gave me her look that said, you had better produce some fast truth.

My mother took a breath which probably used up half the air in the kitchen.

It is no new thought to say that life goes on. Yet that's where it does go.

I'll admit to you, it made my heart turn around and face north.

Leaping onto a running steer has about as much to do with actual cattle ranching as the wearing of turquoise belt buckles.

Jick's sayings in ENGLISH CREEK--3rd card of 3

I would be more enthusiastic about the machine era if the stuff healed itself instead of requiring all the damn repair it does.

Lord, what a wilderness is the thicket of family.

Plead is not a word I am ashamed of, under the circumstances.

Ride... (Mariah lingo)

2 - , you know that? (can also use: You know what?)

4 - I mean, what is this, suicide by boredom?

- I don't see how

- , is that so tough?

5 - that big a deal

6 - (jick), turnet I guess it'd be,

8 - (jick), why not.

11 - Hi, how many days...

12 - What, did you...

13 - Listen, I just... "

- (jick) dingbobl

- Big pen

- How about if...

- ..., okay?

15 - (jick) Wain/ade

- (jick) don't think I didn't...

Ride... (Manish things/2)

16 - I can tell by looking (saying over her shoulder)

- God, I can't wait to get going on...

- lunch / faces

17 - (Jick) don't start. (Col add: Do not start that old crap...)

18 - (Ridey), maybe even:

- Mittenhead

20 - (Jick) Yoyo.

22 - Shove it.

23 - (Jick) - oh, sure -

24 - You're got to be kidding (Col be: out of yr skull) (...tiny mind)

26 - lamebrain

- perfectly dumb - an idea

30 - So, ...

- Don't freak

- Talk.

34 - elbow grease

Ride... (Mariah liugo/3)

35 - (pick) Yeah, sure, I guess.

37 - (pick) but damn it all,

40 - (pick) Wrong a hundred percent.

41 - (Riley) jukablocking some scenery

46 - Zippo. (i.e., zip, zero)

- It's, well, it's taking a bit of time...

-, is all.

50 - (pick) had. world on a downhill pull.

51 - Got real.

52 - ... for all I care.

- (Riley) my own off-business

56 - (pick), you bet

57 - Quite the...

62 - (pick) Hoo hoo.

- a screwed monkey.

70 - (Belmont Express) No problem.

Ride ... (Marish rings / 4)

70 - (Riley) hooley.

75 - (M ends Jack's sentence for him) "the ranch, isn't it."

76 - How's that sound?

- rather be in your lonesome

78 - (Jack) - talk about a ... -

79 - , will that do?

- Now then.

- Say more.

80 - (Jack) Sitting doing nothing

88 - (Jack) something fierce.

89 - real zammo.

90 - You look kind of under-weather.

- Mmm, not quite.

- Oh, home pucky.

93 - (Jack) . daylong world

94 - shaking her head a millimeter back & forth & imperatively
muttering No, not now!

Ride ... (Mannah rings / 4/4)

97- (pick) I'm not real sure...

98- (pick) Damn it, petunia...

101- Bye.

107- (pick) Shavetail

111- (pick) space case

- you don't want to do that.

- , what do you say.

113- , why don't you.

- (pick) Well, well, well.

116- Guess what,

124- I can tell you are:

- Whoa.

128- ~~to~~ (pick) Would I do that?

132- (pick) Just trying to stay level.

134- dark.

- about halfway to...

136- pearlescent snap button

Ride ... (Marian Lingo/s)

140 - Oh, horse pucky. (pick) (my note: ... family cursing; even Marcelle said it)

143 - (pick) Whoo, hold on a minute here..

145 - Sort of.

- (pick) watch a little bit out

150 - (pick) I'd stand some company...

151 - (pick) I better get at it.

152 - (pick) A mean, ... ?

159 - (pick), Razingo,

169 - , uhmm, (pick)

173 - Well then now -

182 - (pick) Goddamn it all to hell anyway,

185 - (pick) Do you.

186 - There now, look @ you.

190 - Marian: "Mark me day w/ a bright stone."

208 - So?

214 - # of Marian talks: really sure ... etc.

230 - # of Baloney Express convats

235 - ... don't have time for a scavenger hunt

Ride - (March 1960 - 6)

237 - Let me guess.

238 - Thanks a whole hell of a bunch, Daddy.

239 - (fick) ... T - totally rusted me

275 - tough sucker by a shoot

283 - I suppose really that's why...

284 - Daddy.

285 - (fick) This is how she is.

293 - Quo Vadis, hell

298 - Life is choices

303 - ... worth a damn

Ride... (Mariah descriptions)

- 2 - mass of hair; lanky
- 3 - snapbutton tunic - colored w/ shirt
 - "eye" sound in Mariah
 - swinging her hair out her eyes; cont. p. 4 little sudden towing way
- 4 - flash of earrings
 - never starts to listen until you say a thing. 3d time.
- 5 - camera bag w/ initials burnt in
- 5 - piece of hair
- 6 - kind of crumble, or maybe timid voice... in her expression
- 11 - shadowplaid blouse
- 12 - held herself so straight, as if part of current w/ her bloodstream
 - closed her eyes to kiss
- 31 - wheel for cleaner
- 32 - senses stuff... before it can gta happen
- 42-3 - slips & calls him "Dad"
 - descrip'n of M & here as kids

Ride ... (Marian descriptions)

97 - tracing her trigger finger up & dn. cold sweating glass

53 - in that too quiet way

57 - whisking invisible dust off lenses w/ daintiest brush

71 - doing cave paintings

77 - her face exercises

113 - in . ranch kitchen

130 - camerawork @ cental'd com'tee

134 - "reputation / of domesticity"

135 - cd - I want to get off . ranch

143 - pru pru sound to sheep

144 - Egg Mtn

- Teton country; Indian Head Rock

- landmark line of buffaloes like light house

147 - juke baited . griz

148 - juke: "I do . believe in things going extinct. But that includes me."

148+ - McC family griz episodes

148 - M determined to notice everything

TR etc... (Mariah descriptions/2)

150 - L ate 8 & Mariah 10 in quiz incident

- M always ed go straight to a nerve
- L in awe of M scolding group

151 - L showed only from eyes up as she craned to see over dashbord

- M intant @ sight of bear
- L: "Daddy will show that bear!"

153 - L hopping up & dn to touch fur

- M stood still but even-eyed

153 - bear gun: w/ extended magazine holding 7 slugs

154 - TR's column, outsize brain - evolutionary result of a nuclear event

161 - Mariah River; eye rising there in middle

163 - Swtgrass Hills (from Shelby) - 5 magical dinner...

163 - Beth d. 1984

169 - Mariah marking up contact sheets w/ grease pencil & using a pen

179 - M's cap w/ bill backward @ Ch/J, to keep erin out of lens

180-1 - Jed's WWII wounding

191 - M's sultry grin in Chinook

194 - L ex's b'day phone call to Jack

195 - Marcella's funeral Feb. '89; oilspill in March?

Ride... (Mariah desepa - 3)

197 - (pick) - solitude in each of them (Mariah & Riley)

208 - M w/ an eyebrow up

224 - (pick) We are a family that can be kind of stiff backed.

228 - hama's woodsmoke voice

242 - M doing face exercises

256 - Frazer water tower like tiny balloon on a string

283 - Mariah & pick emotional in Ekakaka

~~284 - Dreddie~~

308 - 3mo flameheaded woman

314 - Rennie Buffalo Range,

315 - Mariah's prewell to Riley

Wouldn't that be plain hell.

Glenn Ford/Henry Fonda movie (The Rounders?)

"Whatever pleases you tickles me plumb to death."

"Don't get your nose out of joint."

Tom

"You're slipping."