

If Lyle is hospitalized, bear in mind Patty Limerick's observation during the travail she went through with Jeff: people in the waiting room did not let their emotions show, and when she did, doctors or staff would say to her: "You seem to be upset."

The subtle smell of ink fresh on newsprint reached him; the eight pages of another week.

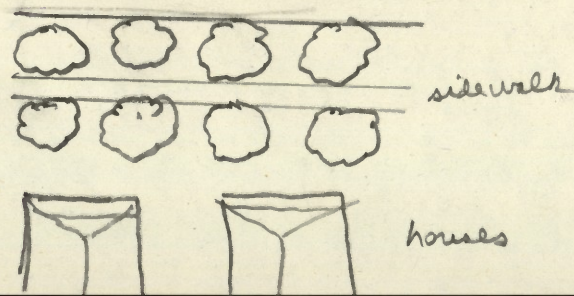
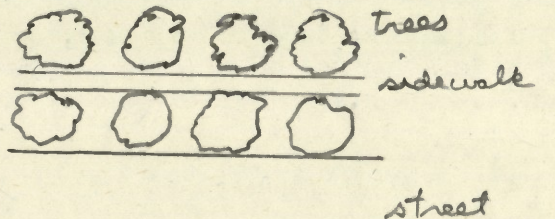
10 Jul '82

from Eng Crk filed

Augusta: from inside. old gen merc, wavy glass of old windows
ripples. passing scene outside

from Eng Crk filed

Gros Ventre: give it a colonnade of cottonwood trees along each sidewalk--that is, a double row of trees with sidewalk between, and the double rows on both sides of street, a la older sections of Gt Falls. Thus:



OVER

from Eng Crk filecd

Gros Ventre: half dozen blocks long; houses mixed with stores
on 1st and last blocks

→ --looks larger town than it is because of width of street, wide
enough to turn a freight wagon

(A good ample street, let me say; wide enough to turn a freight wagon

and a six-horse team around in, in the early days.)

• smaller towns, • bigger its eyes.

• they don't come much smaller than 5V.
towns

Value at that moment.

from Eng Crk filecd

at merc in Gros Ventre, ranchers and farmers pay once a year.

from Eng Crk filecd

possible saloon pic for Gros Ventre: C's pic of Neihart bar window

from Eng Crk filecd

Comad Train station: area betn doors & eaves originally cream- & -
stucco, now painted over (white); originally might have been 1' thing
like brown- & -yellow; motif for use c Norwegian royal couple?

Comrad house pics: wide bungalow c upitain dormer-porch
- wh. corner house c porch & white wicker

from Eng Crk filecd

use later in Eng Crk, or save for The Montanans:

GV streets were wonderful for walking...Or would have been if anybody ever took a step outside; Montanans evidently figure Henry Ford invented the replacement for legs.

from Eng Crk filecd

Choleau - 25 June '82

- pics: Grand Lodge Hotel
- house
- dentin stores
- sth house sign
- Gambles
- Roxy movie theatre
- Taylor Dodge
- courthouse stone
- turret-porch house
- house - popples
- Baptist church
- school
- bungalow (porch at each end)
- Vic's house
- cot/mud colonnade

str 70' wide, curb to curb

shot park: 60 paces wide, square,

then stream:

smaller portion
of pk c. south

crack 25' wide

from Eng Crk filecd

used?

I have never got used to seeing the church steeples (in Gros Ventre), those
spikes of declaration. Thank heaven the cottonwoods will cover them in time.

from Eng Crk filecd

Curb Service Speaking - Radio Digest, Mar '38, p. 68

- Theodore Pratt

- condensed from N Yorker, Jan 8, '38

- coke from fountain: "shoot one!"

→ Use for draft beer: "Shoot me one."

- glass of milk: "Sweet Alice!" large glass: "Stretch Sweet Alice!"

- choc. coke: "Drag one thru Georgia!"

--use with Gros V soda fountain?

from Eng Crk filecd

GFalls 22 June '82: C suggests a small triangular park for the town, an odd-sized piece where streets run together. Maybe make it memorial park, in memory of someone historic; or to WWI doughboy, or Spaanish-Am vets; or to Jim Hill? or to Meriwether Lewis? (with quote from L's journal abt Marias/Two Medicine area?)

from Eng Crk filecd

GFalls 22 June '82: C suggests the town have a drugstore with a soda fountain at back, and mirror behind the counter, so that anyone sitting at the counter can keep track of passersby on the main street ~~behind~~ outside. Perhaps have something interesting there on the street, traffic into a bar, grocery store...

also, to girl-watch.

- ask Laura Mary Polin o her memories of pics.

from Eng Crk filecd

drugstore with mirror behind soda fountain, so street activity can be seen.

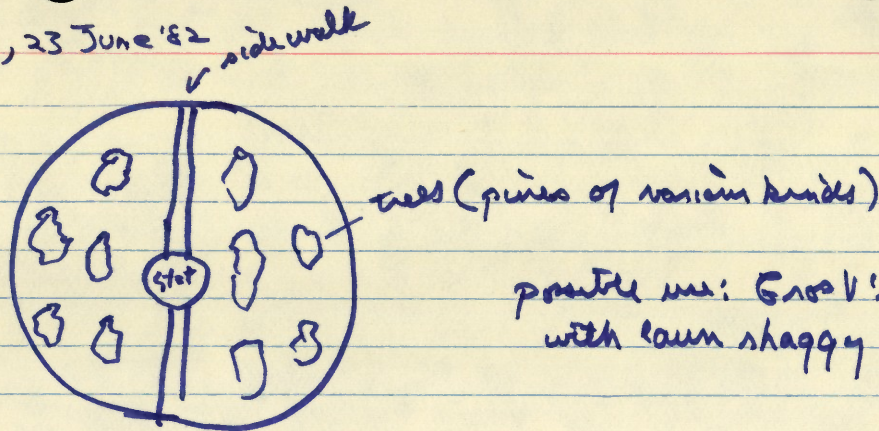
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Conrad drug store soda fountain

- buttered toast, straw, vanilla, orange, pineapple, choc; topping containers
built into counter;
- set of $\frac{1}{2}$ spigots: seltzer in one
- set of syrup spigots
- ice cream "bins"
- granite counter, hi stools, rest feet on rail
- dark colored doors, c gold hardware, under big back mirror; ^{granite planing} all around mir.
- shelf on stalls in front of mirror, holding glasses
- sink; smaller round well to put scoops in for rinsing
- green milk shake machine
- 7 stools
- cherry cokes

from Eng Crk filed

Ft Benton, 23 June '82
- circular park
across from
museum



possible use: Grook's Lewis Park,
with lawn shaggy from Dep'n neglect

in museum; pic of Board of Trade saloon

also · Break of Day saloon

wharves in: · Medicine Lodge, & · Jungle

from Eng Crk filecd

Choteau, July '82: cotton from cat'wood trees in gutters like slush
- falling like summer snow

wrong time of year for Keeping the Days? (except in flaschback)

Bygone Days

from Eng Crk filed

66 - Dup, Choteau, Augusta spaced along mtms @ 35 mi. apart
(Browning, too?) - all livestock centers

from Eng Crk filecd

It is so simple a damn idea that I can never see why every town
hasn't followed it. (planting trees downtown)

from Eng Crk filecd

Gros Ventre: give it Fairfield's S-shaped main street, the town fathers having somehow connived to keep that route to slow down traffic when the highway was built through town; or maybe the point is that highways didn't bulldoze thru n'hoods in those days.

from Eng Crk filecd

two barbers in GV (as in WSS)

--in Ingomar pic, barber poles directly across st from each other

--have them catercorner in GV, so they can watch each other?

--social implications in which barber you go to: in WSS, Jack Nott was more respectable than Shorty Thune, who also had baths in back of his place; and Nott's wife was the local hairdresser. Unease of men, though, to have hair dressing going on in such proximity--beyond thin partition or wall. Secretly the banker etc. likely wanted to have his hair cut at the livelier, scruffier place.

Sky

Men in WSS bars: everyone wearing hat or cap.
Wrinkles at corners of eyes.

from Eng Crk filecd

in Gros Ventre, a lawn is called a yard.

--from Sea Runners BLUE card, 23 Jan '81: Sitka cafe with "greasy patina, a kind of yellowing or ivorying, I've seen in so many places of its sort in Mont."

- cafe of S adgurick House?

Choteau, June '89: notes for Gros Ventre rentals of
--4 businesses have gone out of downtown; Carol Jimenez says decline in post office boxes is an economic decline she notices: so, Jick could muse--

...a self-service laundromat where a cafe used to be, an automated carwash where a gas station and garage used to be, another two or three storefronts gaping empty; a main street that is like seeing decay in what was a healthy set of teeth. (or: like cavities showing up in a row of teeth)

--houses for sale, 4 in a few blocks in Choteau.

--young people moving out or struggling to ~~be~~ stay in the state; Carol J's son moved from Missoula to Billings, determined to stay in Mont., and, with his business degree, is now working in warehouse of ~~Ryan~~ Ryan's Foods.

C suggests as an economic indicator the newness (or not) of pickups, ~~at~~ in morning-coffee clusters outside the Log Cabin. This year there are a lot of shiny Chevy 4x4s, often longbody.

--We later learned that last yr's disaster payments on crops probably financed these pickups; possibly \$20,000-\$40,000 payment per farmer (check Dorie Schwinden for details).

from Eng Crk filecd

Except in front of persnickety home owners such as the Standifers and

the OOs, the median strip was not an actual tended lawn. Often as not,

it was bare gray dirt, maybe with dandelions...Yet it lent those

neighborhoods an openness, a proportion, as if someone had said, give

these houses and their people some breathing space...

let them

from Eng Crk filecd

The problem with a town plan is that you'd better carry it out every jot and tittle or the unfinished part is what is most noticeable, and Valier, although with a nice site there beside Lake Francis and some decent streets of homes, always has looked to me as if it's waiting for the rest~~of~~ of itself to arrive.

from Eng Crk filecd

+ caption?

the rattle of cottonwoods in wind: when they start to make noise like rain falling, rain is on the way(?)

from Eng Crk filed

GV streets pleasant for walking, with cottonwood shelter from sun -
"not that anyone wd walk anywhere if they could help it" (since
advent of car. Montanans evidently figured Henry Ford had invented
substitute for legs.)

Sky

some rough ones drank here.

from Mariah filecd

Guy's whose hay crops - past several summers cd have been collected c a lawn rake... (were talk'g c the hands o size 7 windows).

--set this up with ch. 1 mention by Jick of how green the spring and June have been.

TSS: spurious excuse for a town

home ground. (Mitch or Lexa mulls the term. Check whether I used something similar in Mariah.)

a Mariah file card in Eng Crk & Mariah storage box, under "misc.", has this musing by Jick:

Home ground. What is there about it that owns us?

(did I use it in Mariah?)

A pile of hay (rocks?) you could spit over.