--after his stint with Stanley, Jick is aware that S built the station room he lives in...
Jick's ambition at 14: to be pharmacist, so he can be around soda fountain?
Jick ultimately discovers—or admits—he dislikes his brother?
--Jick makes daybook entries at fire.
Are Jick and Mac, as well as Mac and Elec, having a rancorous summer?

--Jick is at least somewhat confused as to why he at one point is a casual errand boy--sent off with Stanley--and then the man of the house when Mac goes to Missoula.

--Jick is determined to dig a world-beating outhouse hole to show Mac.
have Jick wonder whether Beth and Pete went thru relationship he and Alec are?
Jick: *does he kiss both parents goodnight, or just Beth?* probably both.
Jick's birthday: have him celebrate it in ch. 3?
or have it occur, say, Sept. 8: a week after Ray tells Him "It's Sept."--
he can muse on finally being 15, and whether it made a difference in life.

" " within a week of 15
--gesture remembered, for no evident reason during Rialto beach hikes this past weekend, from Carol Wall of Dupuyer: she wordlessly told Nonnie Moser of either pregnancy or intentions of it by cupping her hand and making bulge outline in front of her stomach, as if tracing a half-watermelon in the air, grinning as she did so.

-used in Dancing
11 Sept. '51

I'm out of the Beach trip for Sea Runners, thought of this
possibly had for Shoestring.

I try to think how my life would have been if I had not
been born into this region of Montana, into McCaskill family...

...as well try to untie the stars.

11: Sept. I try to think how my life might have been had I not been born
in this tall county of northern Montana and into the McCaskill family.
Sometime in the past month or two, occurred to me to name the boy Roscius--Rosh for short, Ross-key-us in classmate's teasing. The one time I've heard the name was from Roscius Doane, of my Skid Road article, and if he's still in town he likely can provide derivation.

29 May: by now, I've come around to notion that the name may be "Jick": that is, "John" remade into "Jack," somebody saying, that kid is no plain jack, he's more a jick.