

--Jick's WWII wounding: It was then that I collected my Attu tattoo.

I was one of those who got an Attu tatoo--wounded in the left leg, just above the ankle.

Alec:

--dies in a strafing run in N. Africa? Only one man of his platoon survived.
He was not Alec.

--Alec is in film, Democracy's Torch Is Lit, about N. Africa invasion (check that
it ~~is~~ was Operation Torch)

--when Alec visited before going into service, Alec was playing in basketball game
at Cut Bank, they got weathered in by a ground blizzard, and by the time he got
home next morning Alec was on his way to train in Gt. Falls and Missoula induction
center.

epilogue: show that Jick's thinking, early in the book, about who he'd be if born differently is because the family stubbornness has kept him in the Two, as a rancher.

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ch. 4--list of characters no longer alive is like a mounting casualty list,
but maybe that is what a lifetime presents you with.

It could have been other people (to live along English Creek, or in Gros V--
i.e., populate Jick's life), but these did well enough.

(use in epilogue?)

done

Mary Ellen Heaney--goes to Deaconess, takes up nursing.

(check with Sister Marita, GF Pub Library.)

--have Jick become a smokejumper during the summers he is in college at
Missoula: roughly the summers of 1946-7-8-9.

--'49 is Mann Gulch fire: have him miss that by being on another fire?

--likely, Jick does not fulfill his daydream of spending a summer as fire lkout

diaries?

epilogue: Jick has inherited ~~his~~ Mac's paperwork, "where I have worked through all this"

epilogue:

(narrator in first person relates what has become of the people of the book).
OO was killed at Monte Cassino...Leona married a OO and lives now in OO...
Candy Dan died in OO, Minnow Friessen in OO...

(narrator has followed his father into Forest Service, perhaps even been ranger on the Shoestring for a while; now is deskbound supervisor.) ~~Immaculate~~ In OO, while on the OO Forest, I met a nurse named OO and we married. We have two daughters, one ~~in~~ living in Missoula and the other up in Juneau, Alaska.

My father retired in OO. The next spring, he was missing for a full day and it took us most of the next before we found him, face-down, along his trap-line on OO Creek. Heart attack.

My mother is OO and in a rest home in Bozeman. She is getting forgetful, and times when she looks out her window to the Spanish Peaks she says, "The snow is thin on the Belts." (Refine this; possible last line of book.)

Ray Heany becomes an insurance agent in Spokane.
has his own insurance agency

Stanley disappears out onto the Coast, into shipyard work, somebody said;
no one knows what ever became of him.

Alec is killed in an oil field accident (?). He enlisted in the navy, was
assigned to Seabees (? see if this was possible), learned heavy equipment.

The Gleaner is no more. Or, the Gleaner goes on. It was taken over by a
young fellow ~~who had been the outdoor editor of the Great Falls paper,~~ and
he seems to know what he's doing. (The third or fourth owner since Bill
Reinking.)

Toussaint was dead by that Christmas.

--Marshall's dead. (refce to Bob Marshall; check whether his death was in '39;
if so, perhaps have one character remember working with him
in Pac NW, draw on my tape of M's early letters.)

- use in epilogue

Toussaint died by Christmas of that year. ('39)

- & Bdr Marshall

It is just incredible, but she is among the last handful of that particular Two country generation, the ones who came Depression-weary and wondering into that summer of 1939.

there
~~and throughout~~ Awfully few are older than she is. Tollie Zane, in the nursing wing, but then he has been out of his head for ~~years~~, if he can ever be said to have been fully in it.

Don Frew: he ended up teaching tank drivers at Fort Hood, Texas.

English Creek Manor: where Tollie Zane had his horse pasture?

from Dr. Jim Lane, phone call 22 Jan. '83:

--told me of recent instance of patient who fell after drinking; "popped an artery in his head"; was totally alert about 4-5 hours, but had a blood clot in the brain (cerebral hem'ge)--and then was comatose and died. Lane stresses that the guy was very alert, shouting, positive he had no injuries, reluctant to go to hospital.

epilogue: Jick marries--his 2nd marriage--Marcella Withrow, Dode's daughter
who is his own age; is mentioned earlier at ~~the~~ Dode's funeral, along with her
two sisters. (Jick perhaps wonders what it's like to lose parent?)

epilogue: mention that ~~the~~ High Line jitneys did not come thru GV that '39 fall?

epilogue likely should be kept as short as possible; maybe do not give the fate of minor characters, such as Zane brothers?

in the final chapter, the epilogue, have Jick mention that along with his father's job he has inherited the file of the Gleaner in which the chapter-head quotes are?