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1973

slapping of a girl friend?
her father at Owen

1977

Morgan's husband

Chloe (other Morgan's wife?)

Esther (and friend)?

1973 change last name in Chap 2

1945

27

Deek's wife.

Central Avenue
Center Street

Matthew Street
Mark Street
Luke Street
John Street

because she
embarrassed him
in front of G.G.
Girl's name is
x. She is
pregnant and
will go to
Convent.

K. D. engraving
her pregnancy
as well.

Deek's father
was a State auditor

Start with
Too flashy
[honey]

463
8
1971

G.G. AKA

Grace enters
*either the pavement was
burning or ~~her shoes~~ ^{she had}
~~sapphire~~ ^{she had} soles.
or sapphires hidden
in her shoes

down Central Ave
the walk is mincing the
heels ~~forward~~ blocks (not
seen since 1942)

Chewing gum ^{to her} Grace ^{talks}
talks to some folks at

Owen. Needs a place
to stay. Too flashy
Esther offers. Grace
doesn't accept (why?)

Goes to Convent - Maers.
is there and so is Connie
So is a Veteran

to make whether
to abort and go to
Longpton - Unnat.
or have the baby.
She is the pregnant
girl (who delivers)
at Convent.
Connie de-
livers. Mike is
dead by
then.

in his fingers and he was steady, ~~but~~

Either the pavement was burning or she had sapphires hidden in her shoes. (K. D. ^{who} had never seen a woman ^{minie (switch)} walk like that, believed it was her walk, ^{that} ~~that~~ caused all the trouble.

Edwina Central Avenue a thing steps on towering black heels, ~~not seen~~, his Aunt Olive ~~had said~~ ^{later} since 1942.

Annette

To K. D. ^{saw} ~~Neither he nor~~ ^{did not see} and his friends ~~watched~~ her step off the bus ~~across~~ but when it pulled away from there she was - across the street from them. ~~Ones~~ in a skirt so short, heels so high, earrings so large, they forgot to laugh at her hair. She walked ~~crossed~~ Central toward them taking

She walked fast lifting her feet quickly as though tripping over through red coals or ~~else~~ ^{else} in ~~some~~ pain from something ~~she didn't want to get rid of~~ stuck in the toes of her shoes. Something valuable otherwise she would have removed it.

K. D. ~~sat~~ Carried the equipment (speakers) through the dining room. ~~Part~~ ^{Part} Olive's lace ~~pled high~~ ^{were} ~~spilled~~ ^{spilled} from a basket on the side table.

but Olive worked lace as if she

like a prisoner; regularly, methodically producing more than could ever be used. TK.

~~He went~~ ^{producing} Out back ~~through~~ ^{skirted} the garden ~~to the left~~ ^{its} ~~edges~~ ^{edges} ~~recently~~ ^{recently} turned. ~~He entered the~~ ^{need free} K. D. headed right toward the shed.

He had ^{to} ~~traddled~~ the dog and to keep her down ~~while~~ ^{whereas} ~~there~~ ^{were} soft in his fingers and he was steady ~~but~~

with the ~~soaked~~ ^{X soaked} cotton. The ticks came
off like toast crumbs. (coffee grounds?)

~~the meeting~~ Everybody concerned would be at the meeting
~~the tonight would~~ tonight ^{tonite} everybody
except the one who started it all.

His Uncle Deek, Rev X, Annette,
X, Annette's father X and her brother X.

They would discuss the slapping
but not the pregnancy and certainly
not the ~~piece~~ with sapphires hidden
in her shoes.

— Suppose she hadn't been there. Suppose

her navel had not peeked over ~~her~~ the
waist of her jeans, or her ^{unbound} breasts had just
~~peeped~~ ~~I~~ been still hushed, hushed.
for a few seconds till they could figure out
how to act - what attitude to strike.

In ^{all males} public, without ^{girlfriends} ~~partners~~ among them,
they ~~are~~ would have known. As a group they
would have assumed the right tone. But
Annette was there, whining, and so was

X, ~~the~~ K, D, & Annette had ^{separated} ~~been~~.

themselves from the others. They stood
by the x behind the picnic ^{benches} tables
and the beer

For the worst^a conversation worse than
he ever thought talking could be. What
Annette said was What are you going to do
about it? What she meant was I'm
going to Langston ^{University} in September
and I don't want to be pregnant
and or ~~be~~ about or get married or
feel bad by myself or ~~get~~ ^{face my folks.} whipped

He said What are you going to do

about it, ^{thinking} ~~meaning~~ You cornered me
at more x than I can remember
and ~~broke up two friendships~~ when I finally
agreed ~~to~~ ^{I didn't have to} take your drawers down.

You beat me to it so this aint my problem
~~Annette~~ they ^{begin} to vent
they had just ~~reached~~ the tested threats
and unmet mutual dislike
when the bus pulled away, and
All heads turned.

If that's the kind of x you want, hop to it"

K. J. looked ^{from} ~~at~~ ^{Annette's} neat shirtwaist dress
to the four grades of hair on her head and
then into her ~~eyes~~ face - sullen
nagging, and accusatory - ^{and} he slapped it,
The change in her expression seemed worth it?
~~It changed remarkably.~~

Negroes ~~could~~ were sought
sought others

wanted ~~only~~ other self supporting

Negroes. ~~Anybody else was~~
~~All others were a mistake.~~

Dismissal ~~by~~ the lucky
lucky
changed the temperature of their blood
outraged them

"homes churches and schools"

they boiled
the anger at being ~~dismissed~~ marked

~~the~~ "crap" people who preferred
saloon and crap games to

So they altered their routes
and made their way west?

Langston, Boling - on into

Cheyenne and Arapaho ~~territory~~ ^{Country}

Stiffer pride more ^{contemptuous} than any
Colony ^{ever} seen

Logan County
Kiowa territory

Cruel. What had begun
as optimistic determination
became cold blooded obsession

~~Someone~~ ^{One of his friends}
~~the other young men~~ ^{Somebody} said out!

but mostly ~~the~~ his friends were
assessing the screaming fits
~~app~~ on their way coming closer
and closer. (closing in on them)

Anette fled; x too. Only x looking
back to see the K.D. and them
others forcing themselves to look
at the ground, the sky, ^{bright may} so the
therefore, anywhere, length of their
fingernails

Good was finished. Her belly hair could
not stand ^{a light} clapping - ~~the knots~~ there were
otherwise impossible, ^{but the} K.D. began
was beautiful.

started on Ben's ~~his~~ coat was ~~an~~

rehearsing his line of defense to
Anette's family. Uncle Deek and

Steward were not amused; they
~~was under~~ each had frozen. ^{at the same} ^{time.} And like a mirror image

spitting ^{clump off} fresh Blue Boy ^{while} Deek ^{tightening} ^{lot} fresh
cigar. ^{Angry} as they both were
K.D. knew they would negotiate a

They were not welcome ^{Grain}
Unwelcome on every soil from
x to x, ^{by} Jured and chased
by ^{their} children

They were nevertheless stunned by the
aggressive discouragement they
received from Negro towns already
being established. "Come Prepared or Not
At All" ^{the headline &} was the ~~head~~ a feature ~~head~~ in
the Herald. surely did not mean

them. They were prepared: ~~to~~ Young
~~men~~ determined, eager ~~for~~ to work
their own property. More than

prepared - they were determined.

~~What~~ ^{All} they needed was money
which ^{they learned to great surprise} was what the headline
refused to. * Self-supporting

The f
had ~~not~~ named
his twin
Steven and
Stewart,
both
for a
reason

Solution that would not endanger him
or the ^{future of Morgan money.} ~~fortune he stood to inherit~~
from them. The only ~~the~~ male Morgan
in a line that included a state
auditor and two bankers, he was
their hope and their disappointment.
(Certainly they had not built two towns
foight Colored Creek, bandits and bad weather
(whitefolk,

to see two ranches and houses and
a ~~bank and a bakery and a drugstore~~
~~bank~~ ^{million} ~~saved~~
end up in Fleetwood's pocket. Would they?
Maybe Anette's baby would be a boy
he'd be a Morgan grandson. ^{Would} ~~and~~ ^{her} ~~her~~ ^{or} ~~or~~ ^{any} ~~rights~~ ^{the} ~~the~~ ^{Morgan}
father Annd ~~now~~ have ~~a~~ ~~right~~ ~~to~~ ~~say~~ ~~they~~ ~~had~~
to respect?

fx Picking - from Ben's coat, K. D. tried
to think like his under. which was
hard. ~~at times~~ So he stopped trying
and slipped off into ^{his} ~~the~~ dream of choice
Only this time it included G. G. and
her screaming f. h.

"Hi." She ^{cracked her} ~~popped~~ gum like a
professional. Is this Ruby? "Ben
drewen said this was it."

"Yep. Yeah. Uh huh Sure is" The
~~the~~ ~~boys~~ ^{lounge} ~~young~~ ~~men~~ spoke ~~at~~ at the same time
Any motel's around?

Haven inhabitants didn't like tolerate
anybody but themselves. Turned
away by — rich Chataw and
poor whites, ~~and Ambate~~
~~discriminated against~~ ^{rejected} by discriminating
blacks, These ~~to~~ ⁸⁰ freedmen
made a Covenant among themselves
to go it alone and remain so.

That ~~made them~~ ^{at} laughed ~~at~~ that and
felt comfortable enough to ask her who
she was looking for and from where had she
come.

"Frisco," she said. "And rhubarb pre.
Got a light?"

So his dream would ~~take place~~ ^{be} in
Frisco.

He

The Morgan twins have ^{powerful} memories.
Between them they remember
the details of everything that
ever happened. The exact
temperature of the day
of the circling cars; the x

And they ^{have never forgotten} ~~remember~~ ^{the} message ^{specifics} of any story.

esp. the controlling one
told to them by their father.

The one who ^{put} ~~forced~~ the
letters ^{words} ~~was~~ the Over's black lip.
A story that explained why

The Morgans conceded ^{nothing} ~~defeat~~
but were uneasy at the choice
of meeting place. Rev. M. had
thought it best to serve
protocol and ~~to~~ to Glutwood
rather than x the insulted family
come to the home of the
aggressor.

Steward shifted tobacco.

~~There was already~~ ^{I held the} ~~juices~~ ^{up}
~~at a room without~~

So far Rev. Misner's ^{the} Credit Union

Rev. Misner's was putting
together was ~~small and~~
no-profit - just small emergency
loans to members - no penalty
payback schedules - Like a pussy

willing shifting ground to the
~~insisting on working the~~ Fleetwoods

willing to

~~could~~ encourage
~~welcome~~ strangers

Deck said. But Steward
bank' But ~~in~~ Deck

Thought Yeah, For now.

So ^{although} they neither brother
took M's ^{wishes} suggestion's

Seriously, they ~~had to~~
Selected ^{carefully ones} to accept
which to X and which
to ignore. Then ^{rep. of the} bunch
Minner had left in X

~~had followed~~ floated
behind him: Conert

meetings ^{to stirring folks up} ~~about~~ to avoid

The (Inter-state ^{Agency} Cooperation)

State Law. End runs around

as a young Man. Minner's
had ~~whole~~ attitude about X
was hard to fix. He'

When O.K. invented a whole
new law school to acc.

fr. to
July

No need to sit

Misner seemed to
endorse the red ways
but a man
~~black~~ ~~Sit~~

Gains to Univ? OK - fodder
for their dismay
but M. ~~was~~ engaged as he was
treated fodder like table food.
A man like that etc.

X lunch counters, demonstrations

- a Negro girl
one Student

then ~~did to put~~ ~~anal~~

built a ~~private~~ ^{next to a}
built an ^{open} closet classroom
for another Negro to sit

(in)

He had ^{physically} interest in a
hope for a.

State that once built

(See above)

~~And Convi~~

before ~~when~~ that was in the 40's just
the ~~two~~ twins left Haven

They, on the other hand
had none. Which is why
they w

A man ~~like that~~ willing to
might give away
money

And in spite

~~but~~

They thought Mr's views,

Give customers

ideas - make them think for ^{the first} time ^{there was choice} about interest rates, risk, collateral

Still, the Baptist's were the
largest Congregation - as well as
the most powerful. So
The Morgans ^{thoughtfully} ~~selected~~ carefully
^{about} the which of Thier's
opinion's ^{more}
the recommendations they
of which orders they could
not ignore

Sorted Thier's opinion's
carefully to judge which.

Passing the Queen K.D. is
reminded of ^{one} ~~swimming pool~~
vocal area

Remembering
in City
doubled by the sunlit
water of a swimming pool
K.D. was there, and he had gone

with his Uncle - they are some
business

on the MKT line
and waited outside on the
Curb while they talked
business inside a ^{red brick}
building. He heard the voices
sounded near & he ~~walked~~

to see.
went in search

behind a ~~hedge~~
was a pool of blue
water - ~~lar~~ ^{green}

He knows now
it was smaller &
average - but

then he thought
it filled his horizon

Then
white children were bobbing
in it. Their voices
there.

a cascade of happiness
Just that. Sparkly water

and ~~the~~ June voices. It made him

When ~~the~~ car ~~for~~ passed

The Queen - he glanced
where
and he recalled Gigi had
popped her gum the

he felt again the
little boy excitement [yearning]

for

Fleetwood House

Delicate-edgy atmosphere.

Annette's brother Jefferson defensive
(Fleet) could ~~not~~ but intimidated because
young in debt to the Morgans. Mrs. Fleetwood
and X Fleetwood (Jefferson's wife) completely
devoted to the children. whole bedrooms

Luke
John
Matthew

connected to their supplies

X slept in the room with one
Mrs. J. in another

J. built ~~4~~ bedrooms in his
house but now had none

1 child + wife ^① J. never wanted to sleep

1 " + wife. in a pup tent, shucking
1 daughter on a ever pallet

1 hospital play room or floor again
So he put 4 bedrooms in
the spacious house

he built on St John Street.

Superior ~~arrangement~~ His wife and their
for ~~the~~ and X had 12 children
Jeff + Arnette left a guest room.
they were proud of.

When I. came back from Vietnam

he took his wife into his own room

there was still ~~an~~ a guest room
which ^{would have become a nursery} ~~was~~ became a nursery
instead of a nursery for 4 broken

Children

as had they not needed it
for a ward for their X children

The way there were
I slept on a ~~couch~~ bedaway
in the dining room.

The men sat in a spotless parlor
~~All but~~ Rev. M. ~~wishing~~

The women were nowhere in sight.

The men sat
waiting for Rev. M. to finish
seeing the women who were
nowhere in sight. Both of the Mrs.

I spent
~~devoted~~ all their energy and
affection on the children. It accounted
for ~~Flit's~~^s and Jefferson's anger
went sideways

J & S.
were
grateful for
and
informed by
at their
devotion.
let ~~and~~
let ~~their~~
go

More thin-skinned touchy as brooders.

She ain't been hit since she
was 2 years old

Should maybe she should have been

I Jeff standy I don't come in

my kitchen telling me about my

family

That this my child me talking

about. My child.

Woman. Gentleman. What?

... smiling.

Reason coffee children can't take the smoke
Misner: Yes, Well, the ladies promise to bring us coffee and X later. That's the best reason I know to get started. M. Let me lay out the situation as I know it. Correct me, please, if I get it wrong or leave out something.

My understanding is, that K.D. here has done an injury to Annette. So right off we can say K.D. has a problem with his temper and an obligation —

Jeff ^{raised} Aint he a little old ^{to have} his ^{for a} temper toward a young girl? That aint temper, that's downright ~~mean~~ ^{illegal} ~~mean~~ ^{toasty}.

M. Well, at that particular moment —

J. Annette is 15.

Fleet She aint been hit since she was 2 years old

Steward Maybe she should have been.

J. [Jeff stands] Don't come in my house ^{dirty-mouthing} telling me about my family

Call meeking off

Deek Your house?

Fleet This my child me talking about. My child.

Misner. Gentlemen. whoa!

Effect of this
Genius Stroke was
immediate. The Morgan
twins held smiles while
Jethro and father and son
breathed. Belle-Marie
was the fast & getting more so

Homi
Bhabha

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[Steward needs to sprt-agitated]

K.D. Look & here! I'm sorry.
I am. I'd take it back if I
could.

Mizner Done is done, friends.

K.D. I respect your daughter —

J. Since when?

K.D. I always respected her. Ask
her ^{girl} friend Billy-Marie ^{she} will
tell you that.

[Jeff & Fleat bristle. Billy-Marie
known to be fast casts a
Shadow on Annette's Reputation]

J. This aint about ^{no} Billy-Marie
This is about ^{what you did to} my baby sister!

M. Maybe we could ~~understand~~ ^{get a}
better fix, K.D. if you could
tell us why you did it. Why, *
[M expects ~~this~~ ^{will be an} imp. question] but
there is quiet. * Steward and Deek
both clear their sinuses. Jeff
Fleat looks down at his shoes.

K.D. Well, —

Jeff. We don't care about why, What
I want to know is what you

* Did she
aggravate
you somehow?

* The light
click of heels
from upstairs. Where
the woman — the children

going to do about it)

DEEK (spreading his legs) What you have
in mind?

Flut Apologized first off

K.D. I just did

Flut - TO her not ^{just} me!

K.D. Yes sir.

DEEK Alright, that's first. What's second?

Flut: Well we need to know he means it,
Some sign it's meant.

DEEK: Sign?

[Mizner hears something in conv.
above him - out of range]

Jeff Her reputation is messed with
ain't it?

DEEK Uh huh I see that.

Jeff Nothing can fix that, can it?

DEEK Well I don't know. Hear she
going to college. Maybe we can

Jeff - Never lay your hand on her again.
K. J. - I won't lay a thing on her, Sir.

Deek: Is there a third?

Homi
Bhabha

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help out some.

J. to his father: I don't know ^{about that} what you think Papa
Would that -

Fleet Have to ask her mother. She's
hit by this too, you know. Hit worse'n
I am, maybe

Doork Well, why'n't you talk it over
with her then. If she's
agreeable - stop by the bank.
Monda Tomorrow.

Fleet Can't make no promises.
Esther is a mighty proud woman.

Doork Got reason to be - daughter
going to college and all. We don't
want nothing to stand in the way
of that. ~~Annette is a~~ credit to
the town.

—▶

Murder God's love is in this house
I see it every time I come here
Every time. (looks toward the ceiling)

[Jeff stares at him with
stricken eyes.]

We treasure ^{this} strength but we
mustn't ~~ignore~~ ^{ignore} this love. That's
what makes us strong. Gentlemen.
Let us pray.

Deck. Of course.

Fleet She's the key

Deck Women always the key God
bless 'em

Steward When that school start up?

Fleet September I believe

Steward She be ready then?

Fleet What do you mean?

Steward September^{is} a long way off. This here is May.
She might change her mind. Decide
to stay on.

Fleet I'm her father. I'll arrange
her mind.

Steward Right.

Deck Settled then?

Fleet Like I say. Have to talk to her mother

Mikey

Gigi = loose

Rendezvous in desert of Arizona outside
Tucson. in a town called ~~Wish~~ ^{Wish}
by the rock that looks like a
couple in love her head on his
shoulder. At ~~seen~~ ^{every} attraction in
the sun new ^{lovely} things appeared.

Gigi gone. He is not there
Neither is the rock. Neither is
the town.

They had planned a honeymoon - a break
from the stress of the organization

A man and a woman fucking forever
Every four hours when the light
changed - & they ~~did~~ ^{do} something new.
Right ~~at~~ the desert's edge
under ~~the~~ ^{the} sky they fucked to a (ride)
the sky of
Arizona

Nothing can stop them. Nothing
wants to. Moonlight arches his back
Sunlight heats their skin.

There is no way to mistake them ^{or miss}

Right outside Tucson on I-3
is the town called ~~Wish~~. Pass through
it, ~~and the town is on the~~
~~left right hand side of the road~~

Take the first right. Where the
road ends and — begins Keep going

It is necessary to go
on foot ~~preferably~~ because TR

One hour, tops, you can see
the lovers loom.

15- Some times tenderly. Other
times ~~violently~~. But ~~without~~ they never
stopping stop. Not for dust storms
or heat ~~showing~~ at 106°. And if you are lucky
and catch them in one of Arizona's
~~rain~~ rainfalls, they ~~more~~ like
you see the color of their bodies ~~change~~ deepens
~~but~~ but they ~~they look black~~
Keep on, in the rain, a black couple
fucking forever. ~~near Wist,~~
Soft Arizona

Sweet
Arizona

about his
hometown

Mikey told G.G. ~~the story~~ for
30 years.

how they
looked
and

how
~~without~~ they
would find them
near his hometown

They would ~~have~~ ^{have} been a tourist attraction
except it embarrassed ~~local~~ people.

A Committee of concerned Methodists,
organized to blow them

up or cement the disgrace them

with cement, got started but collapsed

~~with~~ after a few ~~toots~~ preliminary

investigation ^{cover} ~~part of the way~~ of the all
Milley said they wanted to get rid of them
Not on the highway
you had to go way out of the way
to find them

... K.D. & ... per ...
... ...
The members ^{said their} objections were
not anti-sex at all, but ^{the} ~~it~~
anti-perversion ^{since} ~~because~~ it was

Who had
looked
very
carefully

~~Some of them believed by~~
some that
the couple was two women
making love in the dirt.

Others said no they were two
men - bold as Gommorah.

Nicky, however, had touched
the body parts and knew
for a fact one was a
woman, the other a man.

So what? he said, "they were
after all

after an
equally
careful
examination
(close up
and with
binoculars)

too
to have
met dreams

but they wanted them to be there
too. ~~A~~ ^{sexually} bunch of repressed
& rednecks(?) ^{they needed} the couple. ~~to meet~~
~~somebody~~ ^{he said} Even if they never
met near them, they needed to
know they were out there - all the
time. At sunrise, he said, they
turned ~~pink~~ ^{copper} and you knew they'd
been at it all night. At noon
they were steel ^{silver} gray. Then they
were blue, then black. Moving
moving all the time moving

Joe loved to hear him say that part "Moving
moving all the time moving"

When they got split up TK, he got
90 days. She was released with
~~a cast~~ ^{ace bandage} on her wrist they had already
agreed on where to meet. She
sent him a message through the
C.A. lawyer that she'd ^{meet him} be there
~~three days~~ after he got out. April 8

The message was Wist April 8
~~the an~~ what?

Just say it. Wist April 15
^{the C.A. said}

The answer came back. No barbed
complete sentence. And "Okay"
"Right on."
(what did Mickey
say to her message?)

There was no Mikey
there was no Wish, there was
no body fucking in the desert.

Everybody ^{She spoke to} in Tucson thought
she was crazy.

Maybe

The town is too small for a map, she
said.

Then ask the police. No town
^{so} too small they don't know it.

The rock formation - its off the
road - looks like a couple in
love.

Hell I know some
lizards do it in the desert, miss.

Seguoa? ^{Maybe?} ~~How to~~

They never laughed so hard in
their lives.

After running her finger down
Calum's in the telephone book
and finding no one in the State
with Mikey's last name; Carl
Gigi gave him up. What she
held onto was the ~~couple~~ ^{eternal}

Underneath ^{gripping} dreams of social justice
of an honest people's guard.
More powerful than ~~her~~ her memory of
blood into his hands - ~~the~~ a memory
that broke her heart.

the desert couple (lovers)
Mickey did not invent them. He may
have put them in the wrong place
but he had only summoned to
the surface what she knew
existed - somewhere.

C. Bring your butt home, girl.

~~Bato~~ World change enough to suit
you? Every body's dead. ^{since} you left
King, Another ^{one of them} Kennedy's
Medgar Evers Lord I can't
think who all since you left
Not to speak of right here
Remember Cato used to work
down at the Route 2 Mall Somebody
walked in there broad daylight with

pistol

I'm coming, Grandaddy. I'm
heading home right now.

Most of the time she had ^{both} seats
to herself. Space to spread out
Sleep. Read ^{the} back issues of TK
Groomed in her knapsack.

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Once the train left TK
~~but~~ At TK the cars ^{were} crowded
with air ~~face~~ men in blue uniforms.

At TK X crowded the cars.

middle

When she transferred to the mkt
the cars were never ~~crowded~~
again.

(She ~~me~~ sought out ^{him} the man
with the X. ^{The man with the X}
~~the~~ didn't

come looking for her. To talk

to somebody who wasn't
wrapped in polyester & who
looked like he might smoke
something other than Chesterfields.

Where?

Place^{out} in Oklahoma

But where?

Ruby. Ruby Oklahoma.
I hear they way out in the
middle of nowhere. Big
waterfall. And, if that's not
enough, they make the best
rhubarb pie. You ever tasted

I Don't like Rhubarb. etc.

You haven't lived.

~~rubbed the back of~~
~~rubbed~~ his head ~~back and forth~~ against the
He ~~leaned back and~~
seat fabric, fiddled in his
jacket pocket

"Have a piece?"

Gigi ~~accepted~~ and
stuck

"Th Anks." Gigi rolled the stick
of gum into a tiny tube ~~before she~~ put it in
her mouth.

~~She said~~

Conversation. He gets off.

She goes on. Acorn? or Waterfall

FX "Watch out. ^{now} ~~you~~ ^{Don't} ~~might~~ get ^{stuck.} ~~wet.~~"

See ^{page} above

(2) I am not lost. Not lost at all. I can go see Granddaddy or go back to ~~the~~ the Bay, or ...

FX (1) The train slowed. The short man ^{rose} ~~stood~~ ~~and~~ collected his luggage from the overhead rack. He was so short Gigi

FX ~~stood~~ to help him and he didn't seem to mind.

he stood on tiptoe ~~and~~

"I get off here. Nice talking with you."

You too

TK - ~~Goodbye~~ Watch out now, Don't get wet"

~~She~~ ~~if she hadn't asked them~~
 across from
 the boys standing at the bus stop
 in front of a kind of bar because
 Jill ~~could have~~ ^{had answered} said
 No. This is Alcorn she
 probably would have believed
 them.

water fall

that
 the water falls spurts out of a
 X shaped like you know what

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of them were, the girls

None was of much help, ~~for~~ she could bar
~~with~~
She

The wind ~~was wrecking~~ ^{wrecked} her hair. First
Dust, fine as
flour, sifted into her eyes, her mouth. Then the
wind wrecked her hair. Suddenly
on either side of the road
She was out of town. This ~~so-called~~ ^{path called}
Central Ave just stopped and a
dirt road Gigi was at Ruby's edge.
On either side of the dirt road x
behind her

Talking her
to a cold
place
by a lake
named
after her.
Superior.

where her shoes
tapped
clicked

In one second heels
one minute her
heels had
clicked -
the rest were
sunk in dirt

VAN Brand new
Driver concerned
about his seat
where
You headed out to
the Convent?

Convent? You must
be kidding? I
headed anywhere
but. Can you
put me near a
bus station, ~~or~~
something?

~~Get~~ Got to pick up ~~x~~ then I'm
of
You in luck.
Take you ^{right} to the track. ~~But~~ I have
to make a stop ^{though} ~~Get~~ Another
passenger." He smiled.
Going to take a train ^{ride} too.

"Fabulous." Gogi settled in beside him and began to ^{immediately} fix her hair
wonderful. Smells new - pats the seat
Brand new. You all my first trip,
You all?

But
Course th you free - the other
one I charge.

I'm Gogi
"Roger, Roger X" He looked at
her havel first the ^{further} down then up.

pretending ^{first} to examine the scenery through the
passenger window.

Gogi had her mirror out of her
back and repaired the wind damage as
best she could. ^{thinking} Yeah I'm for
Free, alright.

Exactly. He drove carefully through
Just As Roger said there was
no charge to the living. but the dead cost 25
dollars.

Parked at a wide porch.

He talked to a (black) woman, in
sunglasses, a long time.

Tells her to wait inside. Got to
get the body out.

Body? Gisi goes in the house

Connie:

Sitting on steps. holding her
forehead in her hands. Every now
and then lifting her ~~sun~~ aviator's
glasses to wipe her eyes. 2/3
One braid ~~fell down from her back~~
frank hat ~~like a hat~~

Roger, hat in hand, talks a long time.

Connie goes inside. Roger too.
He comes out closing a wallet. To Gisi, why

Heat
7:00 p.m.
7:00 A.M.

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don't you wait inside } It's going to
Aint no help out here } take me &
white to get
the body down.

~~She had~~ ~~Saying~~

~~when Gigi discovered~~

~~The van was a hearse -~~

Gigi turned ~~and~~ ^{but she could not see} ~~through~~

thru the partition. ~~What~~

~~This is a hearse~~ What body? This is
hearse?

Sometimes Sometimes ~~it's~~ an
ambulance Today it's a hearse taking
the body ~~the one deceased~~ ^{Body supposed to be} ~~to~~ ^(hookout w/ body)

~~Yummy's~~ the MCT at 8:20 p.m. plenty semi,
n Wait inside whole get to us
You in a hurry? plenty

Gigi stepped clumsily down from the
~~the van that had become a~~ ~~hearse~~

I'll wait inside.

Beautiful
with house

He said
Comment
So she
thought
woman
floating
in
Jail boat
hats
alone
long black
sleeves

But there
was no body.
The X woman
had disappeared
too so I
sat at the largest
table she had ever
seen in the
biggest kitchen

figure

~~Let me help~~
I can bring a
Chair over.

Girl. You coming?
I got a train to
meet. On time!

Vittorio Ricci shoes

77¹⁴ Madison

10 shoes

med 14-18

You here.

mean? no?

Want hope to
don't want to
sleep be alone
to nite.

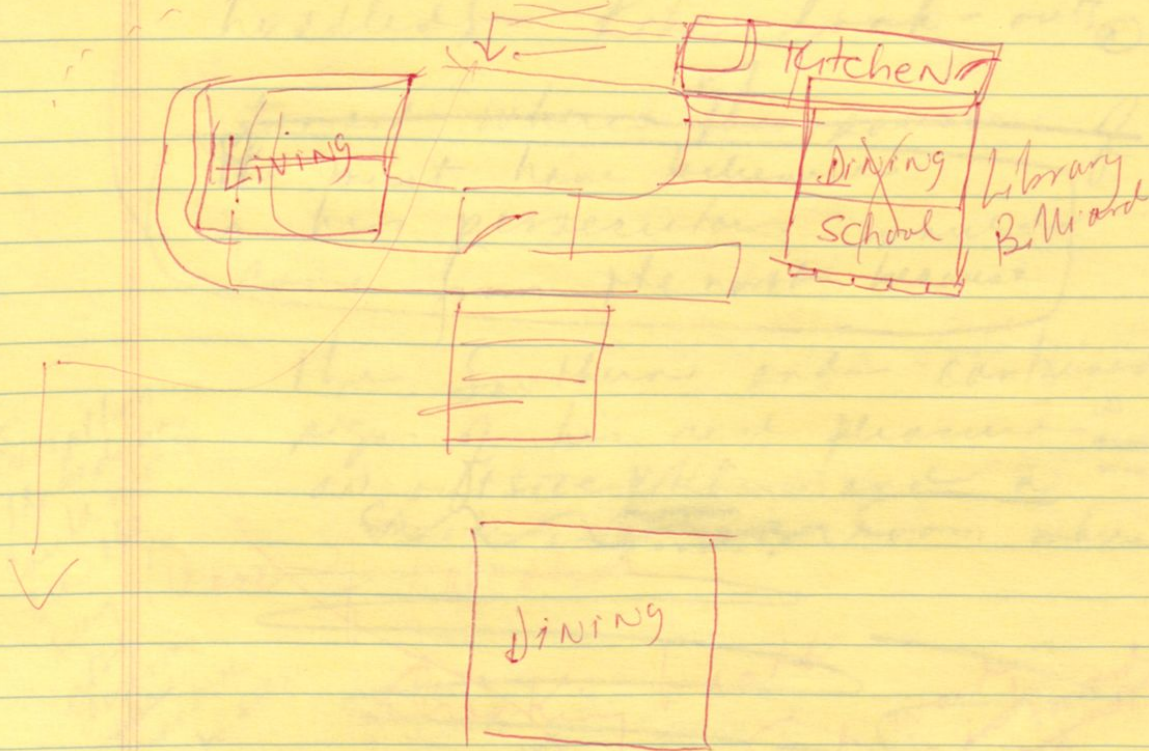
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Roger - hearse / ambulance
heavy drinker - so is his
wife (?)

Bernice # number
Peter Sellers?
Gloria Foster
Juventes Carlos

Charlene's
7/2
781 x 3
510
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The house was shaped like
a bullet. revealed the fear
the emberler

Jogat - not triumph - spoke in
every foot of the Emberler's
mansion. Shaped like

a line cartridge, & it curved
to a x point at the north end
where the living rooms lay.

and where the ^{1st floor} windows
huddled in those two rooms
like look-outs.

forward where the passage of
the must have believed
his persecutors would
come from the north because

The Southern end contained
signs of his real pleasure
an outsize kitchen and a
drinking room where

Except from
the bedrooms
could not
see the
seen

There was
a narrow
point to see
it set.
The light
was therefore
always somewhat
ambiguous

Drinking breath

Each word
sailing into
the air on
a wave of
liquor
breath

He could smoke and play
rich man's games. Neither
room had ~~an~~ a view. Only
the kitchen had one of ~~only~~ ^{the mansion's} two
entrances ~~exits~~ ~~rooms~~

He expected (or hoped) to have
a lot of company ^{in his fortress} eight
bedrooms. Two giant bathrooms

a cellar ^{storehouse} that occupied the
the same
space as the 1st floor. And
he wanted to amuse them so
completely they would not think of leaving
for days on end.

A Veranda curved from the
around the bullet's tip
north and ended ^{continued along its} at the ^{past the main} entrance
Southwestern
Corner - the flat end of the
ammunition
bullet ^

His efforts to entertain were
no more sophisticated or
than he was (food ^{monthly} sex and soap)

Guarded now only
by the ~~fat~~ claws of some ^{man} statutory
the sisters ^{have} removed

~~And was easily spotted by~~

^{four teaching}
The sisters who moved into
his house when it was
put up for sale at a pittance.

After 2 years of construction
he managed one

valuptuous party before he
was arrested ^{by} ~~and~~ ^{Worthern} lawmen
he ~~seared~~ ^{feared} ~~for~~ one of
whom attended his 1st and
only party.

these enhance
guarded doors

than the
bullet's side

were diligently removed
all signs of his delogist
but could do nothing to hode
his terror. He closed off protected "back"
the alert poised watchful front the
Pgi, as high as she could
get on a limited supply, ^{and} roaming all

noticed a handle fastened
to a ^{small} wooden door in the
floor pl. G. could
touch it but ^{lifted the}
handle part ^{it did} not budge
pull it free

Sitting

She ate

Macaroni, ham and another slice

of cake. Woman stirred and

~~water~~ sat up. ^{held} rubbed her face

in both hands for a moment
then rubbed her eyes.

Feel better?

The woman ^{took} ~~reached~~ for a
pair of sunglasses from an apron
pocket and put them on.

No. But rested.

That is better

the woman stood. I suppose.

Thank you. - for staying.

Sure. Hang over's a bitch.
~~my name~~ ^{Ingi}gi
Who died.

Oh. A friend. I only had two,
she was the last.

where's he taking her.

E

far. A Lake named for her,
Superior. That's how she
wanted it.

Who she lives here.

Shrug

What will you do ^{now}?

Shrug

That's all there is

that's left. Liking.

In the end that's all there is

both.

No way ⁱⁿ thought, Mother's

gone. ^{now} ^{Caprice's} okay, this

I came with ^{her} here ^{that girl} ^{Home}

All ^{my} peace is gone

my x

Soney

Not much
Handy any

To point to garden peas. May as well
use canned. Not hardly a taste bud
left in town could tell the difference.
Certainly not Steward's. X years of
Blue Boy packed in his cheek for
X years ^{narrowed} ~~warmed~~ his
taste ^{first} to a craving for spices
then reduced it to ^{demands for} hot pepper.

reduced?

painted
peas
Oliver
helping

1st (fx)

When they got married, Soney
was sure she could never
cook well enough for the twin
Known to be pickier than his
brother, seek. Back from the
war, they were both hungry for
down home food, but dreaming of
it for 3 years had ~~exaggerated~~ raised
their expectations, ^{by} exaggerated
the possibilities. ^{laya making} ^{biscuits} ^{made}
~~flaky~~ light ^{lighter than} ^{show} ~~flaky~~; of
^{the responsibility} ^{took on} Sharp Cheese ⁱⁿ hominy. ^{hummed} ~~hummed~~ with pleasure as he
sucked sweet marrow from hocks
or crunched the chicken bones into
powder. But Steward remembered
everything differently. ~~Wasn't~~
Shouldn't the clove be down in
the tissue not just sitting on top
of the ham? And the chicken
fried steak - Vedalia onions on
white?
On their wedding day,
Soney stood facing the wall, her

back to the light so her sister,
Olive, could see better. Doney
held ^{the sides of} her slip, while Olive
~~parted~~ drew the seams. The
little brush tickled, but she stood
perfectly still. There were no
stockings in ^{Havonae} the world in 1949
but ^{to get} getting married ^{obviously} ~~was~~ ^{was} ~~out of the question.~~ ^{are begged} ~~ceremony.~~
^{mocked God and the}

"I don't expect he'll be satisfied
at table, ~~she said.~~ ^{Doney told her sister.}

"Why not?" asked Olive

"I don't know. He compliments my
cooking then makes a suggestion
about ~~not~~ how to improve it next
time."

"Just picky. I was still, Doney."

"Deck doesn't do that to you,
does he?"

"Not ^{that.} He's picky other ways.
But I wouldn't worry
about it if I was you. If he's
satisfied in bed the table
won't mean a thing."

They laughed then and Olive
had to do ~~the~~ a seam over again.

Over the years (tobacco salves
the ~~problem~~ and now), in 1978
the question she put in 1949

1. Eleanor

4 Saved

a. Eleanor

b. Eleanor

c. Nancy or Ann Arbor

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d) → Anya

it didn't matter whether her peas were
garden fresh or canned.

(table demand?) ^{Convent}
~~hot peppers~~ peppers, hot as hellfire,
did all the rest cooking.

1973 The trouble it took to grow
Garden cultivate sweet peas was
wasted. The A teaspoon of sugar
and a plop of butter in canned ones
would do nicely since ^{the} bits of
black pepper he would sprinkle ^{over} ~~that~~
them bombed away any subtlety
subtle flavor. Take late summer
squash, for example.

W frequently Almost all the time,
these days, when Dorey Morgan thought
about her husband it was in terms of
what he had lost. His sense of taste
one example ^{the} many she noticed.
(Contrary to this (and all Ruby's)
assessment the more he acquired
the more ~~lost~~ ^{wise} his tastes. The

Sale of his herd at 1958's top dollar
accompanied his defeat as ~~that~~ State
~~because~~ ^{because} of his outspoken
Contempt for the Oklahoma City

Children sitting in that drugstore is ⁱⁿ.
It had not surprised her because ^{10 years earlier} he had called ^{Thurgood}
Marshall a "ster-up" Negro. ~~1944~~
The natural gas drilled to 10,000 feet
for over five years on the ranch
filled his pockets in 1962 but shrunk
their usable property land to a tiny ranch
and killed the ~~the~~ trees that ^{had} made ^{these} so
beautiful to behold.

His tastebuds disappeared over time.

Friend
warring
about town
& Church
Conflict

Beware
Be
We are
National
Office in
the
hierarchy

(5) Shaded

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4 06 261~~

[Faint handwritten notes, possibly "his..."]

his hairline too. ^{Small} ~~Shaves~~ that began with the big one: In 1964 at 40 years of age they knew neither (or either) could have children.

^{after the \$} She wondered what else he would use now that
Now in 1973, he was in another ^{that} losing (certainly) battle with Reverend Misner ~~with~~ over the words ~~and~~ meaning his grandfather had soldered in the lip of the Queen. ^{fuelled} ~~the~~ Honey thought, by ^{which nobody talked about} ~~the~~ young people in ~~double~~ ^{or acting up} ~~acting out~~ everywhere.

Annette in had
Bother-Marie
his appearance
K.D. with
that girl
living in
the Convent.

Jeff's wife
running off
for a while
last year
Shark tooth
X's (Harper's
son)

Annette home from college wouldn't leave her bed. ^{by Roger's daughter's grand daughter into thin air.} ~~Billie-Marie~~ disappeared. ^{Jeff's wife} Sweetie ^{runner} off for a whole week last year. K.D.'s ^{men} ~~meeting~~ with that girl living ^{out at} the Convent. Not to speak of the ~~Sam~~, the ~~pout~~ the outright defiance of the ~~so~~ very young.

Harper's bay, the one they call Sharktooth, drunk every weekend since he returned (Got back from Vietnam).

They said The one who wanted to name the Over something - place and who ^{had evidence} ~~decided~~ that the ^{original} words were never before the ~~Fun~~ of his son. But something else, something ~~else~~ that enraged Steward and sleek. Honey had talked to her sister and sister-in-law, ~~about~~ about it; to Mahe

Hubwood, to a couple of women in
the Club. Opinions ^{were} varied, ^{confusing} even
incoherent because feeling ran so high
over the matter. ^{Maybe because the way the young} Miss Esther's bone finger memory, ^{people} was laughed at by ^{laughed}
~~the younger members~~ at
insulted them all. They had

not suggested she may have been mistaken,
they howled at the notion of ~~tracing~~
remembering letters you couldn't read
by tracing them.

Did she see them? they
asked the men.

^{founded then} Better than that. She felt them,
put her finger on them, shouted the
men

^{check age} If she was blind we could believe
her. That'd be like Braille. But
some 5 year old kid who couldn't
read her own tombstone if she ^{came}
out of her grave and stood
~~was standing~~ in front of it?

The men, the women choked their anger.
The Thins frowned. Fleet, thinking of
his mother in law, jumped out of the
pen and had to be held back.

The Baptists ^{early on had} smiled at the dissension
among the Methodists. The Pentacostal's
laughed out loud. But not for long

Members in their own Churches,
Young and old, ~~had~~ began to voice
their own opinions about the words.
Each had members of their Congregation
who had been among the first fifteen
families to leave Haven and start
over. And the Over didn't belong
to any one denomination. It belonged
to ~~them~~ all.

The young people spoke seriously
in a meeting ^{open to all interested} with Reverend Minister.

No Ex-slave would tell us to be
scared all the time. To "Beware" God.

To always be ducking and diving
trying to look out every minute
in case He's getting ready

to throw something at us. What

kind of message is that? No

ex-slave ~~could~~ who had the
guts to make his own way - build
a town out of nothing could think like that.
No ex-slave.

Just calling ^{him} my Grandfather ~~as~~ ex
Slave. That's my Grand-father you

Handwritten notes at the top of the page, including "K' D' & ...".

Handwritten notes in the upper middle section, including "up with - ...".

Re-scheduling
No problem
whatsoever

Vogue

Handwritten notes at the bottom of the page, including "up with - ...".

talkin' about. He wasn't no ex-
nothing!

^{He was}
^{Born in}
^{slavery}
^{times,}
He ~~had been~~ ^{used to be} a slave, ~~wasn't~~ ^{didn't he?}

Everybody born in slavery ^{time} wasn't
a slave. Not the way you meanin' it.

There's just one way ~~it~~ to mean it.

You don't know what you talkin' about
None of them.
~~Now he~~ don't know jack-shit!

Whoa! (Reverend Merrier said.
Brothers. Sisters. We called this
meeting in God's own house

One of the houses

All right, one of His houses. But
whichever one He demands respect
of those who are in it. Am I right
or am I right?

You right. ^{And} I apologize. To Him, that is.

^{That might please Him. Might not.}
Don't limit your love to Him ~~brother~~
Rager ~~He~~ ^{He} cautions every
which way against it.

There's a problem with the way
these people talk. Like back-talk ^{more} than talk

What is talk if it's not "back". You
all ^{just} don't want us to talk at all
Any talk is "back-talk" if you don't
agree.

Reverend, can't you keep him still?
Why would I want to? We're ^{here} ~~same~~
not ^{just} to talk but ~~to~~ listen too.

Well sir, I have listened and
I have heard enough. No ~~to~~ Nobody,
I mean nobody is going to charge
the Queen? Call it something strange.
Nobody is going to men with ^{a thing}
our grandfathers built ^{they made each and every} brick ~~a brick~~
with their own hands. ^{Not yours} They carried the
load - not you. ^{They dug the clay}
They mixed the mortar - ^{not you.} not a one of
you. They made ^{good} red brick ^{for the house} when
their own shelter was sod. You
understand what I'm telling you?

And we respected what they had
gone through. What they did.
Nothing was ever handled more
gently than the bricks those men
- men, hear me? not slaves or otherwise
the bricks those men made. Tell
him, Roger, how we wrapped them
delicate ^{how} was separation. Tell him

That. You Sargeant, you tell him
if I'm lying. Me and my brother

lifted that iron ~~tip~~ The two of us packed it in
straw like it was a baby.

I understand me when I tell
you nobody is going to come
along some eighty years
later claiming to know
better what men ^{who} went
through hell to learn knew.
all you want.

And if some letters
fell off it wasn't
due to us because
me

Act short with me

Steward:
You charge
take away
or use to
I'll show
your head
off like you
was a
jack rabbit

Seems to me, Dech, they are
respecting it. It's because they ^{do} know the
value ^{that} they want to give it ^{very} life. (Misner)

They don't want to give it ^{nothing} ~~life~~; they want
to kill it, change it into something they made
up.

It's their history too.

I just tried you!
Then act like it! ~~It~~ That Owen already
has a history it don't need you to fix
it

Wait now, Dech. Think what's been said.
Forget naming, naming the Owen. What's
at issue is the motto.

Motto? Motto? We talking command:
Beware the Furrows of His Brow! That's
what it says. Clear as daylight.

No! Not clear: It says the Furrows of
His Brow with -

You were not there! Esther was!

She was a baby. She could have been mistaken.

Esther never made a mistake of that nature in her life. She named this town damn it. 'Scuse me, ladies (Glee!)

What's so wrong about "Be the Furrows"? Be the Furrows of the Browns.

You can't be God.

It's not being Him; it's being His instrument, this justice. As a race —

God's justice is His alone. How you going to be His instrument if you don't obey Him.

We are obeying Him. If we follow His commandments — we will be His voice, His retribution. As a people,

It says Beware. Not Be. Beware means "look out. The Power is mine!" ^{to} Get used to it."

"Be" means you ~~doing~~ putting Him aside and you the power.

We have are the power if we just -
See what I mean? See what I mean,
[Uproar] Listen to that. Have mercy
Did Reverend say that?

As could have been predicted, Steward
had the last word - or at least the
words they all remembered because it
broke the meeting up.

"Listen ~~here~~, " he said. " If you, any
one of you, change, take away, or add to
the letters on that ~~do~~ the mouth of that
Queen, I will blow your head off
like you was a Jack rabbit.

Louey Morgan, ~~was~~ chilled by her
husband's words, could only look at the
floorboards. She hadn't made up
her mind about who or which side was
right. And ~~to~~ discussion with friends
helped her she ^{tended to} ~~agreed~~ with whomever
she was listening to. This matter was
one she would bring to her friend
when he came back.

- ~~Divine?~~ 1. K. V.'s pursuit of Grace = hopeless
- Soney { 2. Olive's "medicine" (^{to withstand} ~~that~~ ^{Deek's} authority)
her "journal" of sad sweet songs. She calls "things"
- Soney { 3. Ruby women's response to Mother's death
(bringing food etc.) remembering (Connie's grief)
- Soney { 4. Sweetie and her Mother-in-law with the
damaged children

- Seneca Sweetie running away to Convent
for a week. Knowing (as she looks in the
eyes of her 2nd broken child that she would never be
happy ever again)
5. ~~Roger's drunk stay in Convent~~ ~~Sharktooth's~~ ~~Better if Sharktooth,~~
who is Harper's son, dies out in Convent

- Divine? 6. Young people ^{who} leave; those who stay
after Owen dispute become isolated (and
alter words to "We Are..." Paint - Graffiti on
walls of Owen. (? Opening to Divine?))

- Grace & Marie
tells
Seneca 7. Annette's delivery of a baby in Convent
(whereabouts what revealed until Chap.
6 Consolata) [They all bought baby clothes]

8. Seneca's meeting with Gold chain
man named Dice.

N.B. When Seneca ^{staying} arrives in the Convent are:
Sweetie, Sharktooth, Annette's baby, Marie,
Grace & Connie

- Divine? 9. Billie-Marie's visit to Convent (see 6
above)
10. Jeff's talk w/ Sharktooth (re won etc.)

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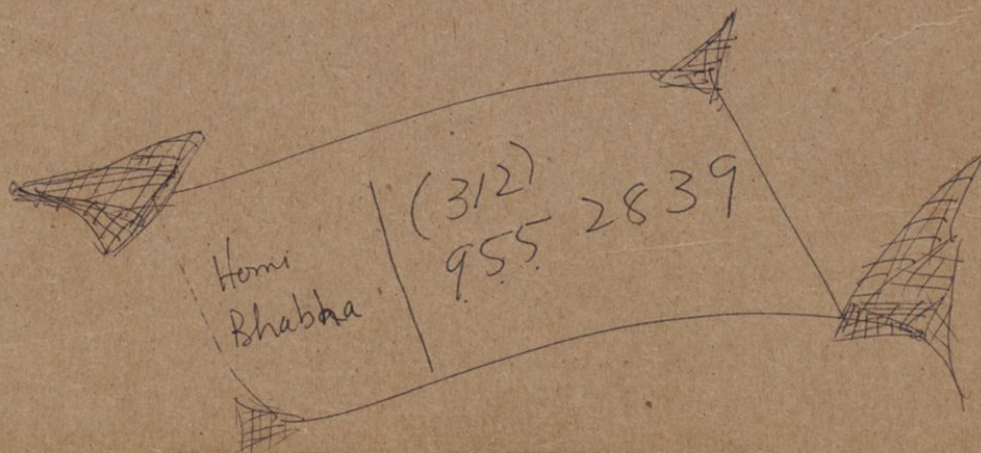
11. Pat (Billie-Marie's Mother) Rogers ~~SM~~ daughter
very religious

12. Beauty of the town startles

... the ... the ...

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