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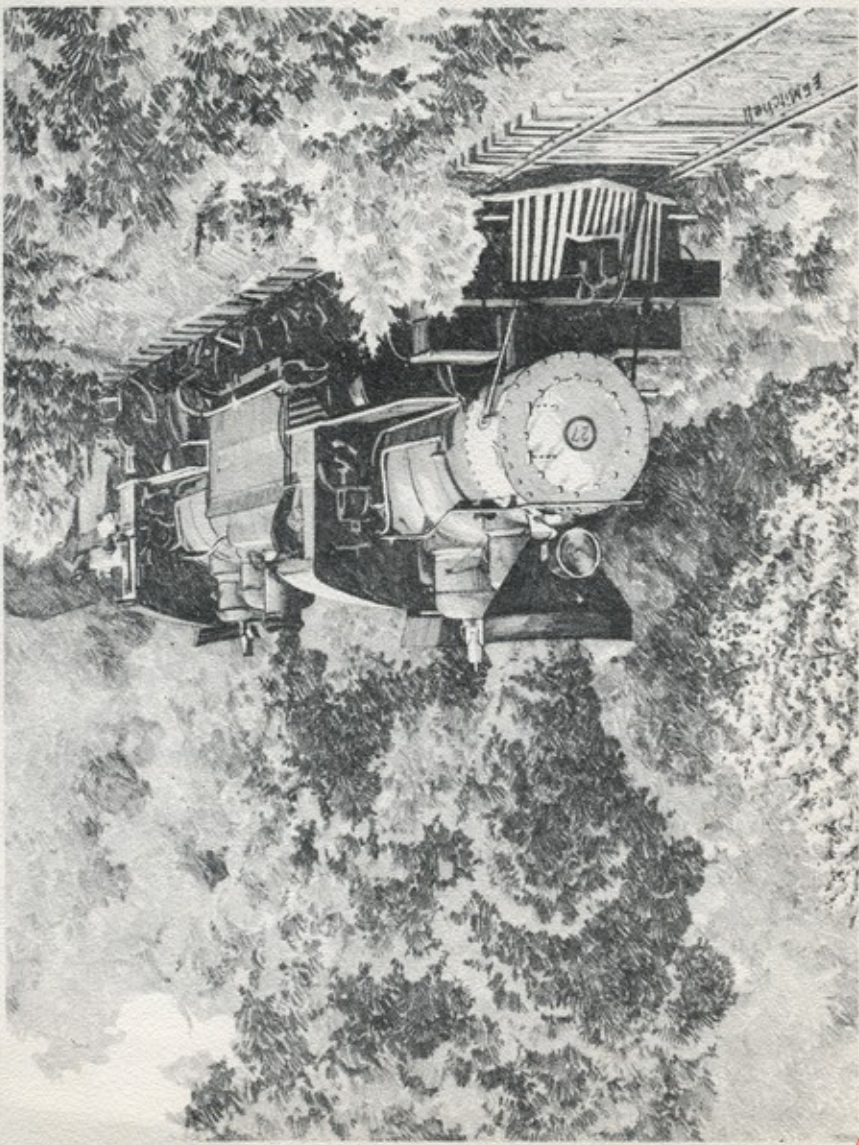
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Dear Sis,

I ever since the trouble began,
I am following it with tears in my
eyes and prayers in my heart, Prayers
for you and your safety.
You see, I am of French descent. At
the liberation of Europe, I was
living with my Mother, in VERVIERS
Belgium, and our liberators were
white and colored soldiers of the
1st Army. Those were fight full and
glorious days. The same negro soldier
gave me my first candy bar -
and as a reward that I brought
to the local hospital, it was too

good to be eaten by a healthy young
girl, and the same soldier promised
me that my brother would be
liberated from his prison camp,
of Lager 2 C.

The first glimpse of hope
came from this man, after 5 long
years of terror!

Later on, the Van Buren-
test attack on Bastogne, brought
more horror and death to our
country people and our liberators.

I will never forget
the blood spilled so I can live
and be free! The blood given by
white and colored men, one
and all, the American G.I.

This I want you to
know that in this country of
yours, as a new American citizen
worry and pray for you, to you
understand and forgive the
errors and cruelty committed by
very wrong people. Please take
care of yourself, and believe in
the deep respect and fond
feelings of a friend.

Céc. Christine Stern

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