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Postcards from My Future Self: Hurricane Mills, Tennessee

After eating fried peanut butter and banana sandwiches with your parents at the Graceland diner in Memphis, you drive the RV to Hurricane Mills to stay the night at the Loretta Lynn's Ranch campground. In the morning, while unhooking hoses and electricity, a daily routine which centers you as your location changes on this Great American Road Trip, you hear a man with a slow drawl say to your father, "Where y'all from? Ya don't sound like no regula' Yankees." Born in Montana but living in Southern California, you didn't even know you were a Yankee until that day when a fiftyish white man in overalls who drove a rig with Alabama license plates caused you to worry about your Northern Cheyenne mother who was inside drinking her coffee without knowing you had just been recruited into a war.

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