

note to myself

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you spent all these days, years, decades
fighting
using every bit of energy
as if it were a competition
that you didn't want to lose

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but the truth is, you lost
only now do you see
the battlefield you stood on all this time
hidden in the shape of your body
(in)visible

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these kinds of wounds don't heal easily
do they ever?
can't fix them, so accept them
paint that flag white and raise it

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