St. Vincent, Paris Is Burning

I write to give word the war is over Send my cinders home to mother They gave me a medal for my valor Leaden trumpets spit the soot of power they say

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Enclosed in this letter there's a picture Black and white for your refridgerator Sticks and stones have made me smarter it's words that cut me under my armor they say

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Dance poor people dance and drown Dance fair Paris to the ground Dance poor people dance and drown Dance fair Paris ashes now