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new orleans is gone, along with the

*newspaper where I work, the home where I
live, my kids' beloved school, my neighborhood
sno-ball stand, my neighborhood anything.*

*On the Times-Picayune's website and on cable
news, I see my former home's dark and distorted
reflection: submerged rooftops; a battered
Superdome filled with the desperate; looters
grabbing guns and VCRs and racks of shirts; a
house scrawled in red with "diabetic inside";
the breach in the levee. The future is recited:
a bowl of toxic stew. The gas, the sewage,
the dead ... page 12*