

Roy Childs 15 years old 9th grade
10 years in Ruleville Central High

Every November my teacher says that we must go pick cotton the next day. Then the teacher says if we don't go we will have to pay something instead. The teacher sometimes says if we don't pay or pick, we wont get our report card or we wont get any six week grade. The next day the class goes out to pick on some plantation. I have picked at several plantations over the past several years. I don't get paid for this. I have seen the teacher get the money from the Boss Man. I think they usually get about \$14 or \$15 because the class usually picks 800 pounds. I was 7 in the 3rd grade when I first went to the fields to pick.

Last November I went out and picked with my class. My teacher's name was Mrs. Julia Taylor.

Signed /s/ Roy Childs

Witnesses:

/s/ Leonard Edwards

/s/ David T. Goldstick