

looking around or sitting or waiting for 5 or 10 minutes, you always have to be walking up and down, moving pipes back and forth, putting the stuff to the wheel where it will not roll too fast.

Mr. THOMPSON. Do you travel from one part of Texas to another in your work?

Mr. ARREDONDO. I used to travel; not after I got this tractor work in the fields.

Mr. THOMPSON. How many months in the year can you find work as a farmworker?

Mr. ARREDONDO. The most is 9 months of the year.

Mr. THOMPSON. What happens to your wife and children when you are working away from your home? Do they stay at home?

Mr. ARREDONDO. No, I always carry them around with me.

Mr. THOMPSON. Where do the children go to school?

Mr. ARREDONDO. Well, every time, I keep them in school. For example, in 1964 I came from Rio Grande City to Seminole, Tex., for wheat cutting. I had my kids put in school there in Seminole. For example, I got into Seminole, let's say, Sunday night, well, Monday morning I went to report my kids to the school and sent them to school that same day or maybe the next day.

Mr. THOMPSON. How old are your children?

Mr. ARREDONDO. The oldest one is 12.

Mr. THOMPSON. How old is your baby?

Mr. ARREDONDO. Seven months.

Mr. THOMPSON. Seven months?

Mr. ARREDONDO. Yes.

Mr. THOMPSON. Do you have any others of school age; 6, 7?

Mr. ARREDONDO. I got three school kids right now.

Mr. THOMPSON. And they travel from school to school?

Mr. ARREDONDO. Yes, sir.

Mr. THOMPSON. Can they read and write?

Mr. ARREDONDO. They can.

Mr. THOMPSON. They have learned to read and write?

Mr. ARREDONDO. Yes, sir.

Mr. THOMPSON. Can your wife read and write?

Mr. ARREDONDO. No, she cannot read or write.

Mr. THOMPSON. Can you?

Mr. ARREDONDO. I do.

Mr. THOMPSON. Do you work with your children?

Mr. ARREDONDO. I do.

Mr. THOMPSON. Teaching them?

Mr. ARREDONDO. Yes. Yes, sir, I always help them out with their problems when they come from school and start asking questions or if they don't know how to do something or don't understand the problem, they come to me and I will just help them out.

Mr. THOMPSON. You are just one of millions of people just like yourself, aren't you?

Mr. ARREDONDO. Yes.

Mr. THOMPSON. You know, I sit up here and really right at this moment I am struggling not to weep. I am ashamed of all of the things that I enjoy and that I have and that my children have. I swear to you I will stick with this thing as long as I am here to see that you get