

When I heard I was going to be bused I was a little frantic. Then when I heard I was being bused to the O.W. Holmes School I was very frantic because I didn't even know where the school was! Furthermore, I didn't know anybody else who was going to the school and I had some anxiety about busing because I didn't know how long the ride would be or how far. I couldn't see why I was being bused to a school I didn't even know because there were two or three closer schools that I could have gone to. Plus it would save a lot of trouble and money.

I thought that there would be lots of trouble with the two races. My friends went to different schools, except for a couple of them. I had never experienced this sort of thing before. So I was frantic. I also had anxiety about integration because you never know what's going to happen. Also, if Garrity hadn't done this there wouldn't be so many fights and injured people at South Boston High.

When I first went into the classroom I saw three boys that were in my classroom last year. I wondered where I would sit, and I ended up sitting next to John O'Meara, after a couple of switches with the desks. I didn't know what the kids around me did, so I was a little frantic about them because I didn't know if they were good or bad. There was one person I could count on to help me when I first came to school and that person was John O'Meara. He was in the 3, 4, 5, & 6th grades with me and he's my best friend. I met a boy named Richard Belmont who was met by John on the bus. So the kids that I know best in my room are John and Richard.

Later on in the year when I got my first report card I was mad because I didn't make the honor roll because I had made it all last year in the 5th grade. But otherwise I guess I was doing pretty well. Well, I'm trying to keep up with the work that I have to do.

August 9, 1974 President Richard M. Nixon resigned and on August 10 he left Washington. On the same day Vice-President Gerald Ford became the 38th president of the United States and Ford was the second left-handed president of the United States.



April 18, 1975, it wasn't such a nice day because it was rainy and damp. On that day President Gerald Ford came to Massachusetts. He had gone to Lexington and Concord right before Patriots Day. There was a crowd there. The crowd lasted for two days, because that's how long President Ford stayed in Massachusetts. There was a big parade, For the next day was Patriot's Day, April 19, 1975. On April 18, 1975 he attended Mass at the Old North Church in Boston's historical North End. Nelson Rockefeller became his vice-president of the United States. Gerald Ford had slept overnight at the Colonnade Hotel.

When I was taking the Latin Test I thought it would be hard, but when I got there and when I started, it wasn't so hard. But if I passed it, I don't want to go because I took the test to see what a real test was really like; because I wanted to be ready for a real test just in case I had one next year in the 7th grade. But I might not be going to a public school next year because my father and mother don't like the idea of busing and I'm not to crazy about it either. But nothing is really bad about it.

Next year I hope I can do better in class because I didn't do too well this year in major subjects, but I did do good a couple of times. I always tried my hardest to do school work and I'm going to try extra hard next year. I'm going to take Spanish again so I can learn more of it because when I grow up I plan to go to New Mexico.