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little girl with the press and curl
Age eight i got a jheri curl
thirteen and i got a relaxer
I was the source of much laughter

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