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ATLANTIC, IOWA

September 3, 1936, 9:30 A.M.

Good morning.

I am very sorry that I cannot stop off and do some motoring in this part of Iowa. But, as you know, my plans were changed because of the unfortunate death of the Secretary of War. That means that I have to go straight through to Des Moines. Also, I had hoped to go to the State Fair today, but that is impossible too, because I am having conferences with about six different Governors and I am going to have a pretty busy afternoon and evening.

As you know, I have been out on this trip trying to get some first hand information about the problem of the drought. We are trying to look at it from three different points of view, the first being that of relieving the immediate need. The second is the problem of taking care of the needs of a great many people during the coming winter and then, the third, is the problem of planning for the future. That third problem comes down in just three words, "better land use" and I know that the Federal Government is

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for the Secretary of War. Also, I had  
to go to the State Fair today, but that is in  
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about six different Governors and I am going to have a  
quarterly meeting next afternoon and evening.  
As you know, I have been out on this trip  
trying to get some final plans indicated about the  
problem of the drought. We are trying to look at it  
from three different points of view, the first being  
that of relieving the immediate need. The second is  
the problem of taking care of the needs of a great  
many people during the coming winter and spring, the  
third, is the problem of planning for the future. These  
three problems come down in just these words, "relief"  
and "need" and I know that the Federal Government is

doing everything it can to cooperate with the State Governments and the local governments in working out better land use, not only through the Middle West but also out through the Great Plains area.

I have been learning a lot and I am going to keep on learning.

It is good to see you all. (Applause)

I don't believe that I need to introduce to you the Secretary of Agriculture of the United States. (Applause) Also the Administrator of Relief, Mr. Hopkins. (Applause)

Atlantic Iowa - 9/3/36  
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