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INFORMAL EXTEMPORANEOUS REMARKS OF THE PRESIDENT
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(Congressman Lambeth and Umstead were on the platform with the President. There were about six thousand people in the audience.)

My friends, I have not been here in High Point, except to come through on the train on many occasions, since the old days when I was in the Navy Department and I came down here for four or five days of quail hunting. I must frankly confess to you that most of the quail I shot up are still flying around this country.

I was also saying to Congressman Umstead that I am awfully glad to see on this trip through North Carolina how very much better the general run of conditions seems to be than they have been in prior years. (Applause)

And I have thrilled all day with the wonderful welcome, not only when the sun shone but also in the middle of the downpour, that I have had all over the state.

I was tremendously interested in the great national park development in the Smokies. I did not know that section of the state at all and I am convinced that you have here within the boundaries of the Old North State the kind of scenery and kind of attractions that are going to bring thousands and thousands of citizens from every state to visit you in the years to come.

Some day I hope I will be able to come through here and spend a lot of time with you.

Good bye and good luck. (Prolonged applause)