INFORMAL EXTEMPORANEOUS REMARKS OF THE PRESIDENT AT FITZSIMMONS HOSPITAL, DENVER, COLORADO October 12, 1936

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And so, I am going to come back here and see you again, and in the meantime you can be quite sure than this hospital is going to continue just as long as I am President.

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