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ON THE OCCASION OF LAYING THE CORNERSTONE,
BROOKLYN COLLEGE, BROOKLYN, NEW YORK

October 28, 1936, about 11.00 A.M.

Mr. Mayor, my friends:

I have seen blueprints and I have seen photographs
and now I see the real article with my own eyes. (Applause)

Every time that the Mayor of the City of New York
comes to Washington I tremble (laughter), tremble because it
means he wants something and he nearly always gets it.

This project for Brooklyn College is killing two
birds with one stone. We are not only putting to work, we
not only have put to work many thousands of good people who
needed work, but we are also improving the educational facili-
ties of this great Borough, not just for today but for genera-
tions to come.

Out of this depression, while there has been much
misery and much suffering, there has also come much good
because, especially in educational lines, it has given this
country an opportunity, not only in this city, not only in
every other city of the country, but in almost every county
of the three thousand and more counties in the United States,
to get better schools for the young people. That is why I am
very, very keen, very much interested in all of these public
works projects which have improved the schools of the nation.

I am glad to come here today and to wish to Brooklyn
College the fine and successful future that it deserves.
Mr. Mayor, Mr. President,

I have been privileged and I have seen photographs and now I see the best article with my own eyes (appearance). I went there that the mayor of the city of New York.

What time is it. We have come to understand I have seen something and I see the mayor of the city of New York.

This begins for Proctor. College is calling me, not only for one, we are not only admitting to college and not only the other work. But we are also improving the educational level.

This is the great moment. Not just for today, but for tomorrow.

One of the great questions. While there have been much wrong, and much right, there are also come much good because, especially in educational fields, it has given the country an opportunity, not only to the city, not only in each other city of the country, but to improve each community.

To get better schools for the home people. That is why I am very, very keen, very much interested to fill or these people make progress which have improved the schools of the nation.

College to live the year successful future that I foresee.
You, here, are doing a great work. May it live through the generations to come for the building up of a better American citizenship.

So, my friends, I am glad to have been with you today. I have a somewhat hectic and hurried day but I hope sometime in the future to come back and see this building being used and occupied. (Prolonged applause)