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INFORMAL, EXTEMPORANEOUS REMARKS OF THE PRESIDENT
from the rear platform of the Presidential special train
Gulfport, Mississippi,
April 29, 1937, 10.45 A.M., C.T.

(The President was introduced by Senator Pat Harrison.)

My friends, this has been, this morning, on my part, a sentimental journey. Nearly a quarter of a century ago I landed in Biloxi a very young Assistant Secretary of the Navy and I was met there by a very young Congressman named Pat Harrison. (Applause)

I am glad to be back and I am glad indeed to see the wonderful improvements that have taken place in these more than twenty years.

I do not know about Senator Harrison's fishing promises but if Texas does not work out I am coming back here to make him prove them.
(Laughter, applause)

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