

November 10, 1944

[Union Station Plaza - Washington, D.C.]

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INFORMAL REMARKS Of The President
At Union Station Plaza, Washington, D. C.
November 10, 1944
About 9.10 a.m., e.w.t.

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Commissioners:

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So I want to tell you how glad I am to be here and say one word to you -- especially the Government workers -- for all that you are doing to win this war. And when I say especially the Government workers, I don't overlook all the other people in the city who make it possible for them to come here and live here and work here.

So, thanks very much.

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