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Farm Policy Speech at Billings, August 21, 1952
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- 000-050 stresses the importance of agriculture; nation is dependent on the farmer as the farmer is dependent on the nation; farmers will remember the difficult times of the depression; farm credit now has helped the farmer overcome economic difficulties; government has introduced favorable policy to the farmers; net farm income is higher.
- 050-100 REA has helped bring electricity to the farmer; efficiency has increased; farm policy must be continually re-examined; government policy must keep up with changing agriculture requirements; farmers deserve a decent rate of return on their crops; questions of fairness arise concerning farm policy;
- 100-150 farmers with help can make significant contribution to the community; export and import of farm products should also be reviewed; price supports are essential for the nation; farmers should never be penalized for producing too much; Farmers Home Administration would be instrumental in helping farmers;
- 150-200 Farmers Home Administration makes loans available for farmers; adequate food reserves should be built up for national emergencies-like war; Rural electrification has been instrumental on the farm;
- 200-247 Electricity has helped the farmer tremendously; Montana has 73.8% of the farms electrified or 25, 892 farms in the state; first REA loan was approved in Montana in 1936 and the first line in operation was in the lower Yellowstone rural electrification association of Sidney