

St. Louis, Mo.

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Glad to be in good old St. Louis

Recap traveled ~~22000~~ 22000 miles
on a political campaign, 9100 before
the campaign began telling people
about what is at stake in this election.

I became President 3 yrs 6 mo 18 days
ago. We have been through the most
momentous period in the history of
the world. 26 days after I was sworn in
Germany folded up. Four months and
21 days after I was sworn in as President
Japan folded up - thus ending the
greatest war in the history of the
world.

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Four days after Japan surrendered I sent my first policy message to Congress. That message contained 21 points based on the Democratic Platform of 1944 which I'd helped to write. Then the smear campaign began. Willie Hearst, Beatie McCormick and all the satellites of public news reputations began to turn their vile outpourings in my direction. In January 46 I repeated my philosophy of what I thought government

should do and I repeated it again and again.

The character assassins then went to work in earnest.

The 80th Congress was the result and then the issues were clearly and plainly drawn

None then

Tell about this campaign
remind them of the in 1940
Tell about New England
New York - North South East
and West etc

Say what we've done for labor
farmers, business men
Power projects, housing etc