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Convocation of "Hi-Step"
Candidates, Communicable
Disease Center, Atlanta, Georgia

REMARKS by Mrs. Lyndon B. Johnson

This is a very exciting place to be! To be here with you young scientists, who are growing up in a world, that is so dramatically different from the world in which I lived at your age. One marvels at the sweep science has made.

Those of you who will be selected to take part in CDC's Hi-Step program this summer have a very special opportunity before you. You will be working with, and learning from, men and women who are among the world's distinguished health scientists. You will be seeing human progress in the making. You will feel the excitement of science in action.

Whether or not you decide to make science your career, your lives will be enriched by this experience. You will have been exposed to the restless, inquiring mind which is the essential ingredient, not only of science but of success and fulfillment in all walks of life.

I am proud of the leadership being generated here in Atlanta, in Georgia, and in the Southeastern region. Your city is rapidly becoming one of the great medical centers of our Nation--in fact of the world.

To you young top winners in Atlanta's Science Congress, I am most happy to extend my wholehearted congratulations for success already achieved in the health sciences. You have demonstrated that you are off to a shiring start. With great pleasure, I award these CDC Certificates to:

Marilyn Beech, of Fulton High School, (study on the psychological relationship between a mother and her children).

Yvonne Oslin of Howard High School, (study on a heriditary form of anemia), and to

Martin Friedman, of Northside High School, (study on the effect of chemicals such as detergents on red blood cells).

And to each of you, my warmest best wishes for your eagerness to take your place in the forefront of Man's advance against disease.