



New York State Thruway

Date

c. 1954

Medium

Film

Description

Lowell, Canastota, Syracuse. Image shows a man on a platform in front of a podium and microphone addressing a crowd of people. The man may be Governor Thomas E.

Dewey for whom the NY State Thruway is named. He was the 47th governor of New York State, in office from 1943-1954. Behind him are a group of people sitting on the platform. Cars and buses line the roadway behind the crowd, as well as the roadway leading to an overpass. People are lined up along the overpass which is decorated with banners. June 24, 1954 was the official opening date of the 115 mile Lowell-Rochester corridor of the New York State Thruway.