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Each month there is given out from Austin for publication a statement of the gross revenues. of the railroads and their operating expenses.
These statements are correct as far as they go, but they do not tell all the truth,
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More and better railroads are needs but until the business and earnings of railroads improve so as to fayoral compare with other business, men wi money will not invest in railroads, the being so many other avenues of inve ment where the returns are much lare and much more certain. Whenever peration of railroads becomes rea operation of rallroads becomes reasg ably profitable money wili be readi An analsis and understanding of conditions of the railroads, physical al financial, will convince any fair-mind man that they cannot stand reduction either their freight or passenger rate and give to the people anything like aid quate service. If passenger rates we ieduced, freight rate would necessan have to be increased. Everyone m buys anything, shipped by rail, has contribute to pay freight rates. 0 those who travel extensively would $w a$ passenger rates reduced and freis rates increased. These few are $m$ able to pay the present reasonable senger fares, than the masses of the ple to pay greater freight rates. To you who pay the expenses and entitled to know the facts, this sim statement of the condition of these $p$ lic service utilities is submitted and most respectfully and earnestly ask y fair and intelligent consideration

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