


## Chicago and North Western System

Statement
To Its Patrons:
The railroads are a part of every farmer's farm,
every manufacturer's factory, every merchant's store and, indeed,
they constitute a vital part of every industry.
I view, therefore, of the announced purpose of a few'men in pubice life to continue to use rairoads as easy vehicles to political
preferment. it is apparent that every farmer, manufacturer, merchant and, indeed, every thoughtful person everywhere should devote some time to a study of railroad problems.
§ It is likewise apparent that the railroads should lend all assist true facts.
ITherefore, it is the purpose of the Chicago and North Western ress in communities in which it operates, statements from time to time bearing upon the
particular railway problems in which our patrons and the pubilic are vitally interested
IT This Company wants to continue to be a helpful factor in the material and social progress of every community that it serves. It
wants to render the best possible service at the lowest rates consistent with fair compensation for its employes and a reasonable return upon

T To this end it is essential that the Railway Company and its patrons undertake, in a spirit of mutual helpfulness, to arrive at a
better understanding of the fundamental facts underlying the problems which pertain to railway maintenance, operation and financing
We believe that the outstanding and predominating charac teristic of the average American citizen is his love of justice and fai play. That if the public be kept advised of the true facts, the rail-
roads have nothing to fear from public regulation.

We therefore ask the readers of The Omaha Bee to study the statements which this Company will publish in future issues. We
invite constructive suggestions and earnestly urge a study of railway problems uninfluenced by political prejudice
IT The railroads constitute the greatest industry in America, and cause of their common carrier functions, but also because they are the largest employers of workers-both skilled and unskilled-and
the largest purchasers of supplies and materials. Their success or faliure is of vital concern to all.

Motzuby

