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mental authority made the last wage increase, the labor cost of the railroads was about $3,698,000,000 annually, or, if continued throughout the year instead of for the eight months during which the wage increases were in effect, the labor cost, on an annual basis, would have been largely in excess of $3,900,000,000—an increase, since the government took charge of railroad wages in the Adamson Act, of approximately $2,450,000,000 annually.

In the light of these figures, it is manifest that the present reduction of wages authorized by the Labor Board, estimated at from 10 to 12 per cent in no sense meets or solves the problem of labor costs and in no way makes it possible for the railroads to afford a reduction in their revenues.

Thousands of Rates Already Reduced

Indeed, during the past year there have been between four and five thousand individual reductions in freight rates. On some railroads the reductions in rates have amounted to more than the reductions in wages so far made, and on many other railroads the reductions in wages allowed no net return on operations, but merely provided against the further accumulation of a deficit.

The point is often made that agriculture and other industries are also suffering the same immediate difficulties as the railroads, why, therefore, do not the railroads take their medicine like anybody else? The answer lies in several facts:

1. The railroads were not permitted, as were other industries, to make charges during the years of prosperity, making possible the accumulation of a surplus to tide them over the present extreme adversity. According to the reports of the Interstate Commerce Commission, the rate of return on property investment of the railroads of the United States for the past several years has been as follows:

RATE OF RETURN EARNED BY RAILROADS OF THE UNITED STATES ON THEIR PROPERTY INVESTMENT.

1912	4.84%
1913	5.15%
1914	4.17%
1915	4.20%
1916 (fiscal year)	5.90%
1916 (calendar year)	6.16%
1917	5.26%
1918	3.51%
1919	2.46%
1920	0.32%

It will thus be noted that during the years when other industries were making very large profits, when the prices ... and the wages of la... heights, ...ent

Rescue Home Beacons Of Hope

Sixty-eight thousand girls, eight women disappeared from the streets of our cities last year. Six thousand from New York alone. Where are they?

Everywhere throughout the country the great problem of illegitimacy is confronting those who interest themselves in welfare work, but nowhere perhaps has it been met with the practical Christianity shown by The Salvation Army, which through its twenty-six Rescue and Maternity Homes in the United States returns to health, hope and sanity every year, approximately 2,000 unfortunate girls.

A Salvation Army Rescue Home is open to any girl who needs its protection and who otherwise would be forced along the paths to which only heartbreak, despair and disgrace can point. Once admitted, the past is closed behind her, the future thrown open with hope and courage, while besides the best of physical care she receives the spiritual and mental regeneration necessary if that physical care is to have its best effect.

Besides the best of prenatal and maternity care, the girl receives adequate opportunity for convalescence and assistance in finding work, which in many cases will not separate her from her child, on the ground that just as this responsibility is part of the blessing so is it part of the cure. In these new opportunities for work the girl's history is forgotten and the future thrown open with such hope and courage that the bitterness and resentment brought into the Home are replaced by a steady hope and courage not only to be carried away with her but to be transfused in her influence among those whom she meets.

TOLCHESTER COMPANY

FALL SCHEDULE
(Weather Permitting)
PORT DEPOSIT AND HAVRE DE GRACE LINE
(In effect 2.45 p. m. September 7, 1921. Express Service.)

Tuesdays, Thursday, Fridays and Saturdays steamer will leave Port Deposit at 6.30 a. m., Havre de Grace at 7.00 a. m., Betterton 8.15 a. m., Tolchester (except Saturdays) 9.45 a. m. Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays ...days, steamer will leave Balti... 2.45 p. m. for Tolchester, Bet... ...e de Grace and Port De...

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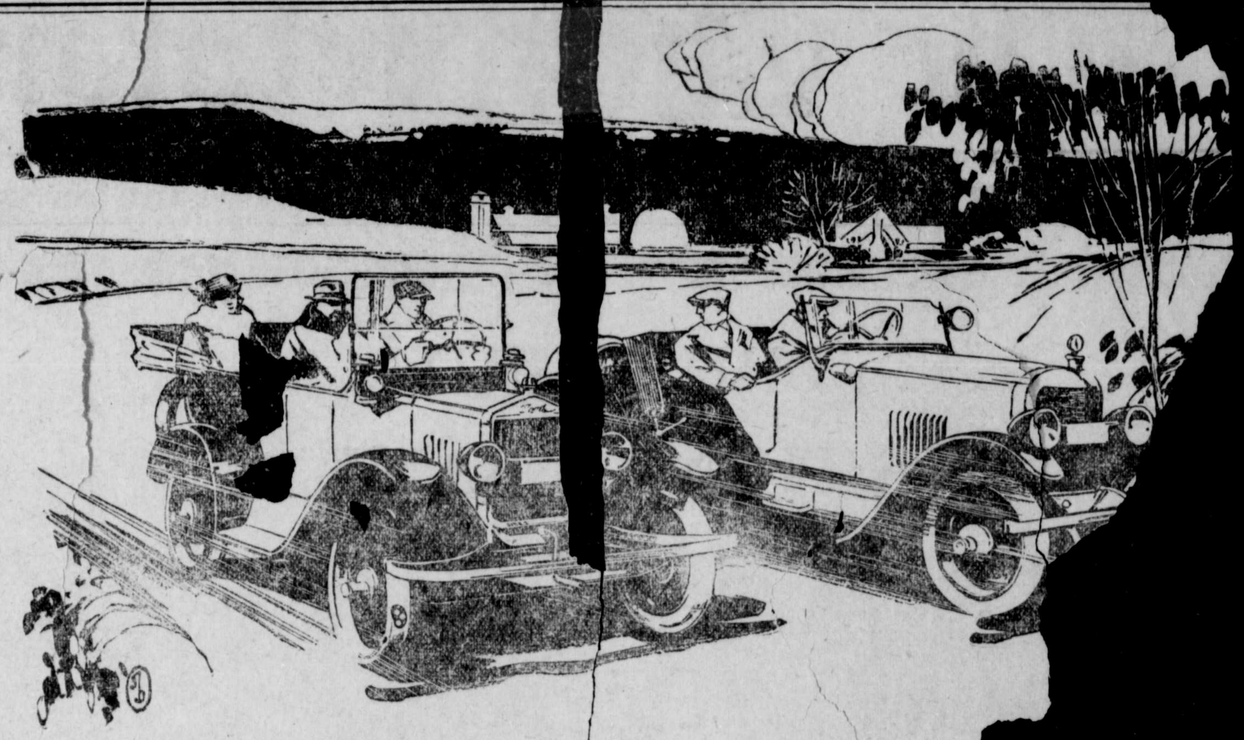

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