

UP Train Arrives Piggyback on Big UP

Back for its second appearance at a Morrow County Rodeo parade is the miniature Union Pacific freight train, which arrived piggyback Wednesday on a full-size U.P. freight, Elmer Schmidt, agent here, said.

Ed Osner of Omaha, Nebr., engineer for the miniature train, was due to arrive Thursday. He is the same man who exhibited it in last year's rodeo parade.

There are five cars and an engine in the 80 ft. long train. The cars weigh about 250 lb. each, and the engine is about 2300 lb. The miniature train will haul some 25 passengers.

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Riverfront Lands Compromise Set After Washington Trip

Three men representing Morrow county returned from Washington, D. C., Tuesday, apparently assured of a compromise agreement that would set aside some of the county's Columbia riverfront lands for industrial development.

Judge Paul Jones said Wednesday, "We had to concede the Patterson Ferry site in exchange for an agreement that would acquire the Messner site for development."

Although no agreement was culminated, the men, including Judge Jones, Planning Commission chairman Clarence Rosewall and E. Wayne Cordes, Portland attorney for the Morrow Port Commission, were assured that the county agencies would be able to re-acquire the Messner site and the adjoining section. This would mean that there would be about two miles of riverfront in the Messner area for industrial development. Included would be some Bureau of Land Management land which could be acquired.

Actual purpose of the trip was to obtain reclassification of some of the riverfront lands through negotiations with the Army Engineers and the Department of Fish and Wildlife. Contention proceedings had been started against lands owned by the Port of Morrow by the Army Engineers to obtain the area for wildlife. The Morrow group at first refused to compromise by yielding on the 600-acre Patterson Ferry site, but decided to agree to the compromise solution when it seemed the best they could achieve.

The men were gone 10 days and spent eight days in meetings to achieve their purpose. Prior to their trip the prospect was that the county and Port Commission would have no lands for industrial sites.

The three attended the House Public Works Committee hearing on Monday with Congressman Al Ullman giving testimony urging the committee to accept the agreement that had been reached.

Most of the meetings during the time in Washington were held in the office of Congressman Ullman.

Judge Jones said, "Congressman Ullman commands high respect on Capitol Hill because of his position on the powerful Ways and Means committee, and this and future generations can thank him for saving our port lands."

The Morrow delegation said that it was the congressman's persuasion and insight of the local problem here that made an agreement possible.

The judge said that a joint meeting of the county court, the port commission, and the county planning commission will be held very soon to work out recommendations on the land that should become available for acquisition or reacquisitions.

Because of the many meetings and lengthy negotiations

the men had "little time for sightseeing" while in the capital, Judge Jones said.

Floods Return After Downpours Sunday Evening

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blocked traffic for a time.

Ed Gonty reported coming through as water receded driving over three fence posts and other rubble that had been left on the highway.

The flooding washed 400 feet of track off the roadbed of the Union Pacific line to Heppner near the Cecil Jones place and some 50 men were there Monday to restore it. A special work train was dispatched to the scene to make other repairs along the railroad, and the freight that would normally come over here Monday did not make the trip because the work train was on the line.

Roads Damaged

Judge Paul Jones, who has been harassed all year by floods to county roads, returned from Washington, D. C., Tuesday to find that it had happened again.

Roads where oiling had just been completed up the canyon to Ted Palmateer's place at Morgan was washed out, together with two culverts.

The judge said that most county road damage was to the Blackhorse Canyon road where it will take 10 days to two weeks to make repairs, to Ely Canyon, to Fourmile Canyon, and to the road by the Norman and Fred Nelson places.

Considerable blading, grading and filling must be done in other places.

Harold Sherer, county road supervisor, and the judge estimated damage to roads from the Sunday storm at \$25,000. Roads on which only one-way traffic can be maintained in places until repairs are made include Fourmile Canyon, Ely Canyon, Alpine-Juniper Canyon, Pieper Canyon and Baseline.

The storm disrupted the county's road oiling program, too, because of the necessity of using men and equipment in places needing repairs.

"With these continuing storms, I'm afraid we will be hard put for road money before the year is over," Judge Jones said.

John Eubanks said that he never saw so much rain come down for so long as it did in this storm. It wreaked havoc on his summer fallow, as it did on oth-

Leaders Needed For Bluebirds, Campfire Girls

Leaders and assistant leaders are urgently needed to carry on this year's program for the Bluebird and Campfire Girls' groups in the area, according to Mrs. Vern Nolan.

At least four leaders and three assistants are needed to take care of the expected 50 or more girls that will want to participate in the program this year.

Mothers of girls in grades 2-6 who are interested are urged to call Mrs. Nolan at 989-8128 before September 7. First meeting of the groups have been set for Friday, September 10.

Bluebirds are open to girls in grades 2-4, with those in grades 5-6 advancing to Campfire. Regular meetings are on the second and fourth Friday of each school month.

Leaders worked under handicap through last year because of lack of adequate help to take care of the large group enrolled, and the program cannot be properly continued without the needed leaders and assistants.

er ranches in the county.

This was another blow to those who have not completed harvest. By now, some are beginning to believe they will never get their grain in.

Some residents braced themselves for another flood in the city, but fortunately it failed to come and no damage was done in town there.

In Heppner, which also was spared, rainfall was considerably lighter than that reported by ranchers in the surrounding country. Leonard Gilliam reported .17 inch for Sunday. His complete report for the week is as follows:

	Hi	Low	Prec.
Thursday	68	48	.24
Friday	75	58	—
Saturday	77	58	—
Friday	75	55	—
Sunday	79	42	.17
Monday	77	53	—
Tuesday	76	55	.46
Wednesday	69	56	.04

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