

January 16, 1957

Mr. D. F. Wengert, General Manager
Union Pacific
Pittock Block
Portland, Oregon

Dear Mr. Wengert:

May I extend an invitation to attend a dinner meeting Wednesday, January 23, to discuss the feasibility of establishing a Portland Zoo Railway Company.

The dinner will be held at 6:30 P.M. in the Green Room at the Multnomah Athletic Club.

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We hope to extend the railway an additional 1½ miles to Portland's Washington Park. It is this portion of the Zoo Railway which needs a solution. We hope to enlist the interest of yourself and other leading railway men of the area in helping us solve the problem. It is my hope that you will find the Zoo Railway truly intriguing.

The meeting will be very informal and relatively small, probably not more than 15 persons and we are sorry to say it is a "no host" affair.

If you cannot attend, I hope you will ask one of your associates to join us. Or if you prefer, we will be happy to have you attend along with one of your associates. Please let us know.

Very truly yours,

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Southern Pacific Lines
Union Station
Portland, Oregon

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