

## LETTER TO EDITOR

Editors Brookings-Harbor Pilot  
Brookings, Oregon  
Gentlemen:

I want to commend the issue of the "Pilot" for October 7, 1954. I heartily approve the larger pages and new format. Of course, the printed quality may be a little wearing as a steady diet, so would your editorial in that issue.

I'd like to register a protest against that editorial on the Moore case. I know as little of the case as you. I am not representing Mr. Moore in any capacity and I didn't attend the trial. I am not questioning the fairness of this or any other Curry County jury. Our own small lot is not being condemned, nor likely to be.

You apparently feel the appraisers for Moore were exorbitant but the Commission appraisers were correct. You should remember that these same Commission appraisers were as far off in the Spoerl and Fromm suits as Moore's were in this case.

Fuhtremore, you implied that the residents of this area were setting unreasonably high values on useless land. May I suggest you check the prices paid by the Commission for the ocean frontage between Pistol River and Brookings.

Your inference that right of way cost may stop the highway is amusing. The Commission itself admits that the overrun on construction not the right of way cost is the major threat to completion of the project. The problems of drainage between Rocky Point and Humbug Park have added more to the cost than the "high" cost of right of way.

Finally, have you seriously looked into the location of the highway in the Brookings-Harbor

## TELL OF LILY BULB TREATMENT

This year Dr. Harold Jensen, O. S. C. Nematologist, conducted a series of dips and hot water treatments to control nematodes in lily bulb planting stocks.

Some were forced in the greenhouses and others field grown.

Bulb growers will be interested in the following results:

1. The hot water treatments and root pruning experiments were apparently equally successful in greenhouse trials through forcing time under Corvallis greenhouse conditions. All plants were about the same size, bloomed the same time, had the same number blooms, and the same size root systems.

2. While soaks and dips show some promise they are too hazardous to recommend at the present time.

3. Various hot-water treatments show promise but are no more effective than root pruning.

4. According to these trials, root pruning will remove about 86% of the nematodes. It appears

area? The present Chetco crossing will not be used, instead the highway and bridge will be moved west; and the road from the Cliff House to the state line relocated. This is not a pipe dream, but the only conclusions to be drawn from the statements of Commission, Commission Engineers and the obvious specifications for a "70 mile an hour road" (Baldock's term, not mine).

It is not my intention to suggest that the highway should discontinue its relocation nor the intention or hope of anyone I know. It is not my intention, either, to let the Highway Commission, perpetuate its doctrine that "Papa knows best" without protest. The taking of a 150 to 300 pot strip across the richest soil of this county cannot fall to substantially affect our tax structure and cause our neighbors irreparable injury for which 1954 dollars cannot compensate.

I can understand your fear that the Commission will abandon the project. They have deliberately fostered and played on that fear. The Commissioners have threatened it in the same breath that they have ordered further condemnation suits filed in the hopes they could induce the very attitude you now hold.

Very truly yours,  
William E. Fuller.

that the last 14% will survive in spite of all treatments tried.

5. On the basis of these trials, a root pruning as close to the basal plate as possible followed by a Spergon dip of standard concentration is the best recommendation we can give at this time.

### LEAVE FOR VACATION

Pop Reed and his wife left Tuesday morning on a three week vacation trip. They have made no definite plans for their vacation trip. Joseph D. Taylor, owner of the Chetco Inn will be in Brookings while they are gone to take care of the Inn. Mr. Taylor lives in Palo Alao, Calif.

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