

graze it down to about 3 in., but no closer.



(5) Then spell until the next 8 in. stage and repeat the grazing to 3 in. and the spelling to 8 in. You will probably get four grazings of from 8 in. to 3 in. between mid-April and mid-October.

*This method of lenient winter-grazing is better than the old method of simple winter-spelling (i.e., not grazing at all) because :—*

### Simple Winter-spelling without Lenient Grazing

(1) Gives less pasture-production than winter-spelling plus lenient grazing because simple spelling tends to allow growth to cease, whereas lenient grazing encourages continued leaf-production even in the depth of winter.

(2) Damages the pasture by smothering the clover, whereas lenient grazing re-invigorates the clover by letting in light at each grazing.



(3) Usually causes partial rotting of the undergrowth, which the cows dislike and which damages the sward.



*In the spring the winter-spelled fields may be rationed-off to early-calving cows,*



but for successful rationing-off of saved grass

### At Least Four Fields should be Winter-spelled,

so that by the time the fourth will have been rationed off in the spring the first will have recovered and rationing-off can be continuous while it is necessary.

Lenient winter-grazing and rationing-off of saved grass to early-calving cows, as well as minimizing spring troubles and simplifying the production of milk and cream of good quality, is also a splendid means towards attaining high production per acre.

