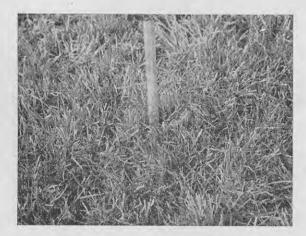
graze it down to about 3 in., but no closer.



(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.

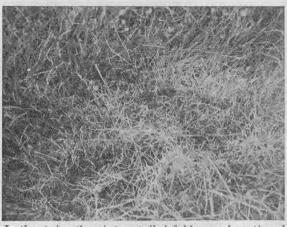
This method of lenient winter-grazing is better than the old method of simple winter-spelling (i.e., not grazing at all) because:—

Simple Winter-spelling without Lenient Grazing

- (1) Gives less pasture-production than winterspelling 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.

