

Grazing management for winter pastures

"Grazing management" for winter pastures can be as simple as opening a gate. Since dry or excessively wet weather are limiting growth factors of winter pastures, they must be used efficiently. This means some type of grazing management is necessary.

Which system is used depends on the degree of management required. A simple rotation grazing system with two or more pastures is easy to implement. All animals are put on one pasture while the other pastures grow more forage. When the first pasture has been fairly well grazed, the herd is moved to a second pasture for grazing, and so on. With total rest, grazed pastures should produce some regrowth for later grazing.

For a more intensive grazing management system, a type of limited grazing may be a good choice. Dry cows can be grazed for two to four hours every other day on winter pastures. Some other forage like hay would be necessary while animals are off pasture. In effect, winter pasture would be the protein supplement for these animals.

Cows with calves, steers or growing heifers should be allowed to graze high quality winter pasture every day, for about two hours. With such a system,

weight gains will not be great but should occur. The important feature is that grazing days per acre can be increased by limited grazing. Livestock will become trained to the type of grazing management selected. Under rotation grazing, livestock will be more than willing to change pastures once the pasture they are on is grazed down. Under any form of limited grazing, livestock becomes trained in about two weeks. After being herded off pasture regularly for several weeks, they become trained and start leaving on their own accord. Thus, actual work involved becomes minimal.

Hospital News

Patients (January 3): Eagle Lake: Alex Johnson, Jodie Gordon, Mabel Ware, Lois Smith, Laura Riddick, Eric Jefferson, Marel Lowe, Joretta Estrada, Marion Thrasher, James Middleton, Violet Mooney, Julia Roberts. Garwood: Lawrence Boenisch; from La Grange: Callie Behrens; from Columbus: Janet Harris; from Houston: Patricia Hagedorn; from Sheridan: Henry Kahane; from Schulerburg: Sharon Dittus.

Dismissals: Eagle Lake: Eva Chapman, Willie Richardson, Frances Alvarado, Patricia Shropshire, Edna Mascheck, May Price, Marie Williams, Gladys Jackson, Eva Stephens, Ruth Nelson, Laura Finney. Richmond: Robert Booker; from Garwood: Perry Lee Blunts; from Houston: Zoraida DeArmas, George Baker; from Rock Island: Wade Eikauf; from Abilene: Wilfred McGeehee; from Lissie: Lucille Rubio; from Columbus: Carol Gibson; from Glen Flora: Claudia Martinez; Baby Boy Martinez; from Sheridan: Peggy Byr-

Garwood and Nada Community News

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Conner entertained with a dinner on Christmas day. Their guests were: Chris Shaw of San Antonio, Mrs. Linda Swanson and daughter Lea of Victoria, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Gloeckner of Pierce, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hale and sons Daryl and Lance of Bay City, Mrs. Elgie Conner of Wharton, Mr. and Mrs. Duane Eifel of Lane City, Clara Mae Hill-pool of Bay City, Bonnie Johnson of Houston, Mr. and Mrs. Rod Smith and children, Renee, Nikki and Kelly of Bay City. The house was decorated in the Christmas motif.

Mr. and Mrs. Troy Krenek entertained with a Christmas dinner on Christmas day. Their guests were: Mr. and Mrs. Bill Krenek of Bay City, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Krenek of Crockett, Mrs. A. T. Humphrey of Trinity, Billy Joe Krenek of Bay City, Mr. and Mrs. William Krenek, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Kneak and children of Houston, and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Briscoe and son Justin.

Guests in the R. A. Shop home last Wednesday night were: Mr. and Mrs. Darrel Kutach, Josh and Jeanette and Janice Shoop all of Wharton, and Ed Baca of East Bernard, Mr. and Mrs. Rex Allen Shoop, Ricky, Jimmy and Farrah Fay. A Christmas dinner and exchanging of gifts were enjoyed by all.

Mrs. R. B. Shay entertained with a dinner on December 26. Her guests were: Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Seale and James Seale of San Antonio and Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Seale and sons, Brian and Kyle of Houston. Mrs. James Berger and daughter Caryn spent last weekend with Mrs. Bertha Rees.

Mrs. Albert Wied, E. L. Harrison, Jr. and Hobbin Griffith McClanahan each won door prizes given away December 23 at an open house for the newly redecorated offices of Laker Printing and Franka Travel Sales at 123 N. McCarty.

Year's day were: Mr. and Mrs. Hayne Dromgoole and family, Mr. and Mrs. Leland Eisel and family, and Kenneth Perry from Rock Island. The family of Phil Riley would like to thank all those who expressed their acts of kindness and sympathy on the passing of their loved one.

Buddy and Susan and Sonja Holesovsky visited with Henry Holesovsky during the holidays. Leland Eisel is driving a new Chevrolet Club cab truck. A very nice Christmas gift from his wife Sarah.

Eddie and Ronie Hesson are now operating the D & P Feed Lot in Glen Flora. They are serving some good food. Mr. and Mrs. Jim Pavlicek, Sr. and Patsie from Lumbia, Nebraska, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Pavlicek of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, and Mrs. L. H. Schaefer of Hungerford visited with the Paul Krenek family on New Year's Eve.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Gouskos and daughter from Glen Poje, Oklahoma visited with Audrey Mathis in Wharton, Mr. and Mrs. Leland Eisel, and Mr. and Mrs. Don Canaris. They were honored with a dinner on Christmas day at the home of the Canaris. Mr. and Mrs. Hayne Dromgoole had a New Year's Eve party for their friends.

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Chili cooking winners from left are Gene Jones and Gary Glaiser, fourth place; Floyd Broesche, first place, with his grandson Jacob Zahradnik; Betsy Glaiser and Dorothy Jones, third place; and Pete Canaris and Joe Koudelka, second place. Below left, Glaiser works on his chili while the competing partners of Betsy Glaiser and Dorothy Jones "stern" on.



Three win prizes at open house. Melvin Stanek, Bill Harrison, Jr. and Hobbin Griffith McClanahan each won door prizes given away December 23 at an open house for the newly redecorated offices of Laker Printing and Franka Travel Sales at 123 N. McCarty.

World" lapel pin, and McClanahan won 500 free business cards. The first one was reported about 7:45 p.m. by Verlin Argo, manager of the Rhee School District garage on 3rd St. All the fluorescent tubes had been removed from the light fixtures, and the lights on a van inside the building were turned on, but Officer Lopez Villareal said nothing was reported missing. Both were reported December 30.

New chili winners crowned at Broesche's

Competition was "hot" in Eagle Lake on New Year's Day as the third-annual Broesche Chili Cooking Contest was held. The new winner crowned was Floyd Broesche of Pasadena with his "Big Bell" chili. Second place went to Joe Koudelka and Pete Canaris with their "Greb" chili, and third went to Betsy Glaiser and Dorothy Jones with "Big Momma" Chili.

A crowd gathered at the home of Fred and Angie Broesche on Main Street about noon Saturday to start the event under the protection of the roof over the covered patio. The Broesches furnished the meat but the cooks added their own ingredients to cook up their personal concoctions.

Around 4 p.m. each team dished up a portion of their chili for judging. It was a slow process, but just after 5 p.m. the winners were announced. Last year's first place team, Mr. and Mrs. Ron Miller and Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Joe Marsalis, waited anxiously but the prize escaped them this year.

Excitement grew as fourth place was awarded to Jones and Glaiser, because their wives were on another team. But, then when third place was announced and the better halves were named, Betsy and Dorothy knew their victory meant more than just a trophy — they also had beaten their husbands.

Since chili has a tendency to be spicy but sometimes to the point of burning, it was appropriate that Eagle Lake fire chief Sonny Spaniel again was one of the judges. Other judges were Emil Zahradnik of the Hungerford fire department, Vance Duncan, John Fearing and Lilly Schuennemann. Each judge rated each cup of chili by

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The height of the Great Pyramid of Cheops is 481 ft., the base is 755 ft. on each side. It is large enough to enclose London's Westminster Abbey, Rome's St. Peter's, and Milan's Florence's main cathedral.

Photography's initial conception was in 1826, and became a reality in 1839; 56 years later, television was 83 years from conception to realization, 1884 to 1947.

According to the Public Health Service of the Food and Drug Administration, chocolate can contain up to 80 microscopic insect fragments per 100-gram sample or up to 100 fragments in one sample; or an average of 1.5 rodent hairs in each sample or up to 4 hairs in any one sample, and still be acceptable for public sale for human consumption.

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Land Bank Reduces Loan Interest Rates

Interest rates on Land Bank variable rate loans will be reduced to 11.25 percent on farm loans and to 11.75 percent on farm-related business and rural residence loans, said Clifton Mahon, president of the Federal Land Bank Association of Bellville.

These rates become effective January 1, 1983. "The Land Bank's objective is to provide credit to Texas agriculture at the lowest possible cost, consistent with sound business practices," said Thomas H. Benson, president of the Federal Land Bank of Texas in Austin.

"For over two years the Bank's average cost of funds consistently has been higher than the loan rate," Benson continued. "However, for the past four months, we have begun to see a decline in bond costs."

"As a result of this decline, we are able to reduce the Bank's loan interest rate," he said. "We hope that the decline in bond interest rates will continue, allowing us to make further reductions in the loan rate."

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Egypt and Glen Flora News

Friends of E. C. Muegge will regret to hear that he is a patient at Gulf Coast Medical Center for tests. Mickey Holesovsky returned home after a stay in Lancaster, California with Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Holesovsky. Her granddaughter, Shawn, had hip surgery in a Los Angeles hospital.

Congratulations to Eddie and Sonja Holesovsky on the arrival of their first child-Brandon James on December 21 in Port Lavaca. Mr. and Mrs. Jim Pavlicek, Sr. and Patsie from Lumbia, Nebraska, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Pavlicek of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, and Mrs. L. H. Schaefer of Hungerford visited with the Paul Krenek family on New Year's Eve.

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Spaghetti Supper

Sponsored by Eagle Lake C.Y.O. Thursday, January 27 Dinner Hall 6 to 7:30 p.m. \$3.00 per plate Curb Service Available Advance Ticket Sales Only. For tickets contact Joe Mike Young at 234-3459; Jeffery Psenick at 234-3564, or any CYO Member.

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