

Denver, Colorado.  
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Dear Art:

The other day I was talking to some of the Colorado cattlemen who sometimes plant soy beans as a cover crop to be plowed under for the benefit of the soil. They told me that their practice was to plant the beans in the spring, and when they got a rather lush growth, they turned the cattle into the fields to graze off what they called the "bloom." Apparently this grazing goes on for some time while other fields are having a rest, but after the cattle are removed and while there is still a great deal of growth on the fields, the whole business is plowed under.

This might be a fine way to use some of our fields next year.

I hope that you are convalescing rapidly and will soon be feeling your old self. Give my love to Ann.

As ever,



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