## Land use

Could Constance Little (12/8), explain how private use of public lands by cattlemen can be described as "democratic country living"? Does she know that cattlemen have properties in the lowlands?

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High cost

Contrary to what Constance Little says (12/8), there is nothing democratic about cattle grazing in the alps. A handful of men are paying a pittance in grazing fees so that their cattle can wander over our land. The enormous profits they reap as a result are at the expense of a magnificent high country.

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