

...as good for you.  
"She started off well with skimmed milk which is very low in fat but the  
...as preservatives.  
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...balance of the diet as possible."

*Wales on Sunday 9/7/89 FR Thomas*

# Ban call on 'circle' crops

**SCIENTISTS** examining mystery circles appearing in fields throughout southern England say that the crops involved should be banned from the breakfast table.

They say the cereals undergo a change in molecular structure and shape and have urged the Government to take action before they enter the food chain.

Last week Wales on Sunday revealed that UFOs have been blamed for the strange circles. Witnesses reported strange lights in the sky at the same time as the marks mysteriously appeared.

Colin Andrews, technical officer for Test Valley Borough council and spokesman for the scientists, said: "We have written to the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and asked them to take the affected crops out of circulation. It is possible that a molecular contamination is taking place."

Six cereal crops have been involved in the freak circles.

Richard Ryder, Parliamentary Secretary to the ministry, said that the circles were probably caused by whirlwinds and he refused to discuss the matter further.

But Mr Andrews said: "Frankly,

## Puzzle of changing molecules

that is a load of waffle.

"We have been in touch with 16 meteorological offices in Europe. None of them support the view that it is remotely connected with climate."

Mr Andrews said that researchers studying the freak circles had made a major breakthrough in pinpointing their cause.

The team of 60 experts investigating the phenomenon have succeeded in recording sounds and 'luminations' made by them.

So far, more than 160 of the perfect shapes, which are between 10 and 25 yards across and formed by flattened cereal crops, have been spotted.

Last Wednesday alone, 11 new discoveries were made.

The study, codenamed Operation Whitecrow, is centred near Winchester, Hants, where observ-

ers have monitored fields 24 hours-a-day for changes in temperature, light and sound.

Mr Andrews said, "We picked up a small point of light which was seen by observers. We are currently having it analysed.

"A very high pitched energy sound has also been recorded. This sound recording is vital to us."

The tapes are currently being studied by engineers at Sussex University who hope to have preliminary results within a fortnight.

Mrs Thatcher is said to have taken a personal interest in the teams' work.

The Prime Minister wrote to Mr Andrews saying she had read his recent book on the subject and was passing a funding report to the Ministry of Defence.

Certainly, the research seems close to her own heart.

The project is being privately funded by the scientists themselves. Mr Andrews has spent almost £90,000 in seven years.

Probably the most fascinating aspect of the phenomenon is the remarkable change the crops undergo after they are swirled into a circle, changing shape and chemical structure.