

## **Grain For Beer**

Sir

I see that the members of the Swindon Free Church Women's Council have "expressed concern at the quantity of grain being used for the purpose of making beer".

Actually they need have no anxiety in this direction, for steps have long been taken to divert large quantities of barley to animal feeding-stuffs by restricting, under licence, the amount of cereals that may be purchased by brewers and malsters. Major Gwilym Lloyd George has declared that the Ministry of Food consider no further action in this direction is called for. Many similar assurances have been given in the House from time to time.

On the other hand the Government has to protect the interests of the men who are bringing in Britain's greatest harvest. It is a thirsty job and already they are complaining of the beer shortage.

Yours, etc.

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