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Recent news broadcasts state that small transparent objects resembling bricks have dropped from the sky in Great Britain. It was stated that several of these objects were found but an investigation revealed that the objects had nothing to do with experiments being conducted by any branches of the military services. In conclusion, one commentator stated that "it looks like more flying saucers." It is suggested that the British be contacted for further details on this incident.

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Heavenly Ice "Bombs" Hot Subject In Britain

BY ROBERT MUSEL

LONDON, Dec. 9.—(UP)—The case of the heavenly ice cubes was reopened today, just when the British air ministry was congratulating itself on averting another flying-saucer scare.

For the last few months, chunks of ice have fallen from the skies on various areas of Britain. One sliver hit and killed a sheep.

The ice bombing coincided with serials in two Sunday newspapers hinting that visitors from another world were watching the earth from flying saucers. Hundreds of readers of the pseudo-scientific articles linked the ice and the "men from Mars."

Some persons took a flippant view. They claimed the other world was proving it had refrigerators—still scarce in Britain.

The mysterious appearance of the ice caused so much com-

ment that air ministry experts asked for samples to be forwarded to their laboratories. Last Thursday the matter reached the floor of the House of Commons.

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SECRETARY of State for Air Arthur Henderson told the House he was able to report that the ice apparently formed in the pipes from which planes scatter washing water in flight.

Adjustments were being made, he said. The ice-cube peltings would stop.

But, alas, yesterday a block of ice about one foot square crashed on the high road outside London and no planes were heard at the time.

Even more shattering to Henderson's hopes were old records which showed that lumps of ice clattered down on Shakespeare's old home town of Stratford-on-Avon in 1858.

So now the air ministry had

to find another explanation. Until its experts do so, a new theory is likely to be popular. Some

folk hold that the ice really does come from another world—probably by clinging to meteors.

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