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Explosive experts from a top secret government establishment are to visit a horti-cultural nursery to see for themselves what effect loud explosions are having on glasshouses.

They have agreed to the "on the spot" meeting following complaints from nurserymen about the bangs from the Explosives Research Development Establishment at Waltham

Establishment at Waltham Abbey, Essex. Nurserymen complained to the Ministry of Technology and to Waltham Abbey Council about the blasts. Said one of the nurserymen, Mr. Roden Greenall, of Harlow, Essex: "In many cases the glass is slipping from the struc-ture clips and the glass is even cracking." But the Explosives Establish-

Gracking." But the Explosives Establish-ment deny they are to blame. Says Dr. L. J. Bellamy, dir-ector of the establishment: "We do not believe that the shock or vibration caused by our experimental firings is in fact likely to do actual dam-age. age.