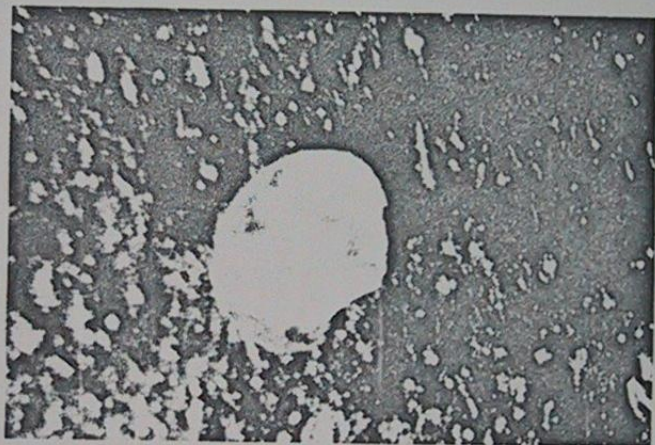




If Ottawa's "mysterious chunk of hardware" did in fact originate beyond our world, these photos as far as we know are the only pictures of UFO metal ever published. They were received by courtesy of Mrs. Carol Halford-Watkins. Shown at left is the 3000-pound piece in a government laboratory. Squared white lines were placed there by the late Wilbert B. Smith for identification purposes during his tests on this metal.

Close-up picture at right showing minute details of the metal's surface was taken by means of microphotography. White object in the center appears by analysis to be a micrometeorite, lending support to the theory that the metal had long exposure in space. Surrounding this are grains of the metal itself. Since Mr. Smith's death, little further examination has been carried out.



However, in view of the present governmental "silence policy" on matters pertaining to UFOs, I am doubtful that we shall get a true report from any government source — and herein lies our problem, as it is only large government laboratories that are equipped with the sophisticated facilities for carrying out comprehensive tests and analyses, especially the vital isotope test. Perhaps our only hope lies in the suggestion contained in your first article on the Chunk of Metal, i.e., to endeavour to have the matter brought up in Parliament, although even then, I wonder if we would finally get a true report? And so, for the time being, the Chunk of Hardware remains as big a mystery as ever.

A curious aspect of this case is the scant attention paid to the work done on it by Wilbert Smith. Although the Condon committee decided the matter was important

enough to have an investigator look at the metal and, from the Ottawa Sciences Club, received copies of Smith's written material, it mentioned not a word of this material in its final report. Instead it supported the CARDE conclusion and dismissed the metal as "ordinary foundry waste." Elsewhere in its report the committee dealt almost as summarily with Smith himself. It said that because his UFO findings did not represent the official opinion of other government agencies, they could not be considered part of the official study of UFOs in Canada. So much for the brilliant scientist who had been placed in charge of the Canadian UFO research program!