

of the metal (which did, however, include the intriguing statement that he had been requested to undertake the test by a person whose name he was not permitted to divulge), he came to the core of the matter, as follows: "It required many hours of careful study to complete the Tesla Bridge but only 12 minutes to test the block by means of Tesla's instructions. This test was recorded by transfer on to a magnetic tape and my study of this on return to Quebec proves without any doubt that it is a man-made form of iron and is without any doubt composed of earth-found ores. This piece of metal was never in space. Further test to prove my statement can be done if the complete block is applied to a reverberatory furnace. Please do not add any remarks to this statement which is final and complete."

Needless to say, this bald statement, with no scientific details to support it, was far from satisfactory to our group who were unable to accept the report in this form. We were not doubting Mr. Matthews' word, but understandably, we needed some scientific proof of his statement which otherwise would be laughed at by any true scientist. Questions abounded. What was the actual chemical analysis and composition of the metals found in the mass? What was the analysis of the inclusions on its outer surface? By what scientific method was it possible to determine that the mass had never been in space? And - who was the anonymous "Mr. X" who had requested this test? At the request of interested parties, a letter was sent to Mr. Matthews, asking for a full scientific report explaining his findings and requesting answers to a number of questions. In a letter dated Nov. 7, 1969, Mr. Matthews replied briefly: "I have referred your request re my findings on the metal to the Federal Authority who requested the test, as these findings are confidential." Here was news indeed. So the mysterious "Mr. X" was a Federal Authority! As Dr. Millman has the responsibility for government UFO research and by Mr. Matthews' own admittance, he made 2 telephone calls to the National Research Council on arrival in Ottawa prior to the test, we could only assume that Dr. Millman must be the federal authority concerned. If our assumption was correct, then this in turn, raised more mysterious questions. Why had the test been conducted in such a secretive, roundabout way? As it, in fact, a shrewd move made in the hope that we would more readily believe the findings of one of our own group than those from a federal source? Could Mr. Matthews possibly have been pressured into making the test? And so on.

Meanwhile, news reached us indirectly that Mr. Brian Cannon of Winnipeg, had received a letter from Dr. Millman in which he stated in effect that there was "nothing unusual" about the metal, that it was manganese steel and apparently ladle residue from the Sorel Foundry in Quebec which inserts a pipe into the hole where waste molten metal is poured and after solidification, the pipe is used to lift the mass of metal. On checking with Arthur Bray, we found that he, who had originated the latest request for a federal investigation, had received no word at all from Dr. Millman! More mystery. Therefore, in an attempt to clear up some of the mounting mystification, the following letter was sent by our Secretary to Dr. Millman on Dec. 9, 1969:

"You will recall that when, earlier this year, you very kindly addressed our group on the subject of UFOs, etc., during the discussion period that followed, the question was raised concerning the 3,000-lb. chunk of hardware over which some mystery has existed as to its positive identification, you kindly offered to investigate this matter further. I understand that Mr. Arthur Bray passed on to you some samples of the metal for this purpose, but on checking with him recently, I was advised that to date, he