

couple of his colleagues, government scientists and experts in metallurgy, whom he thought would be interested in the metal and who had access to more sophisticated equipment than McGill had for testing and analyzing the material. The necessary contact was made with these 2 gentlemen and full details, including the latest analysis report, were passed on to them. The 2 scientists expressed interest in the hardware and on Oct. 14/67, arrangements were made for them to examine the mass of metal on site and take samples of it for investigation. Both appeared extremely intrigued by the mysterious circumstances surrounding the finding of the metal and subsequent tests on it. Later, word reached us by telephone that they were prepared to carry out extensive tests and analyses of the samples of metal. It was explained that a thorough analysis was normally rather a long and costly procedure and they were of the opinion that such a comprehensive analysis had not yet been carried out on the metal. However, they were, at the time, working on some new experimental equipment by means of which it was hoped to conduct such an analysis with a great saving in time and money. Special parts for this equipment were on order from overseas and it was added that delivery of these parts and subsequent testing of the completed apparatus might take anywhere up to 6 months to complete. However, when it was ready, the necessary investigation would be carried out and a report of the findings sent to us.

With the metal back in government hands again, inevitable doubts arise as to whether the report will be a genuine one, or even if the delaying tactics mentioned above were perhaps an alibi to stall us off for a while. The explanation given us may be quite genuine, but from past experience, we must be excused if we are a little skeptical. However, it must in all fairness be said that the 2 scientists appeared extremely interested in the metal, genuine in their desire to solve the mystery and they co-operated very willingly. If left to them, we feel we might get a true report. For the time being then, the mystery of the unidentified hardware remains unsolved, although there would now appear to be even stronger indications that the metal may be of extraterrestrial origin. We will keep our readers informed of any future developments.
