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**Provenience:** Micronesia, Western Carolines, Yap Island

Field No.  
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**People or Culture:** Yapese

**Object:** CARVED WOODEN FRIGATE BIRD ("Chumeringn")

**Material:** Breadfruit wood (Artocarpus sp.), sennit? cord,  
paint

**Description:** Bird in flight, wings outspread, tail forked. Black with white underbody, terra cotta colored beak and corneas. Natural colored, pierced lug behind neck with hanging cord attached, knotted and pulled through 2 holes near front of tail. Traditional carving which hung outside men's house. Carved by Gifalan.

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**Dimensions:** Width: 175.8; Length: 115.4; Height: 33.5  
(in cm.)

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**Collection:** Purchased from Marvin Montvel-Cohen, 6/22/77; collected by Montvel-Cohen, 1967-1971.

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SEE p. 164, Wm. Müller, Südsee Expedition  
1908-1910, Yap Vol. 1

Bird depicted is Fregata Ariel Gray,  
"Least Man-O'-War".