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CHICAGO NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM—ETHNOLOGY

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Provenience: Western Caroline Islands; Palau

Field No.

People or Culture: Palauan**Object:** chipping blade

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Material: giant tridacna clam (Tridacna gigas)

Description: This blade was used in a wooden handle which was about 12 to 15 inches long. The blade was hafted to the handle with cord of coconut fiber. It was used in cutting timbers for house-building and the making of other wooden artifacts such as bowls. Approximate age: 50+ years

Neg. No.

Dimensions:
(in cm.)

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Collection: Presented by Roland W. Force; Collector, 1956. Tri-Institutional Pacific Program Ethnological Expedition to Palau, 1954-1956.