

Jade

17.25

S.I.1114

Chinese,

~~W. Chou dynasty, ca. 1027-771 B.C.~~

Late Shang

Ceremonial implement/weapon of hybrid form:

~~Long thin object of the type kuei;~~ one long and one

short cutting edge; two conical perforations; one sur-

face is mottled brown and cream with black veins; re-

verse is cream colored with black veins and dark brown

areas at either end; smooth surface. (Slightly chipped).

Box.

27.4 cm
~~27.4~~ in length. (10-13/16")Neg. No.
H376B66.0 cm
~~6.0~~ greatest width. (2-3/8")

1. Bought from Lee Van Ching, of Shanghai, in New York. For price, see Original Miscellaneous List, p. 248.
2. Original attribution: Han. See further, S.I.1114, Appendix VIII. (See paragraph 6.)
3. (J.E.L., 1928) Han, or earlier (?).
4. Sp. G. is 2.862.
5. (I.M., 1945) Chou dynasty.
6. (H.E. Buckman, 1964) The Envelope File contained no further information, and has now been destroyed.

7. (T. Lawton, 1973) The following information was carved on the box in which this object arrived: Chou ta-fu hu 周

大夫鬲.

8. (T. Lawton, 1978) Late Shang.

9. (Julia K. Murray, 1982). This blade has some characteristics of the horizontal knife discussed on 17.24, as well as some elements of a chang scepter (compare 16.369). The latter include the suggestion of a grip on the short straight end, and the concave depression near the opposite end of the blade. However, the longest edge is beveled to a blade like a horizontal knife. An object of comparable size and shape, but with just one perforation and just one blade edge, was found at Shih-mao, Shen-mu 神木石峁 Shensi (K'ao-ku 1977/3, pl. 4/4).

For a further discussion see 17.24.