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Mr. Don Crabtree  
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Dear Don:

Enjoyed the corbiac blade paper. We have "blades" which do not fit your definition. A blade apparently was detached from a specially prepared core made from a flat cobble, <sup>previously</sup> merely to produce one blade. The core, then was normally made into an adz. The blade was usually retouched into a fairly elegant tool, even to having the bulbular end thinned away. I sure wish you could see some of these.

This summer, we want to try to duplicate some of our tools by experimentation. A grad student here has been doing some on his own and I have never seriously tried. Could you send me some elk antler and some obsidian for practice? It can be sent library rate. Our chert is mainly from gravels and difficult for practice although we will have to chip it eventually.

This summer, the grad student and I will be conducting a Dalton survey. Earl may visit then or in the Fall. It would be nice to see you again and you could get some good comparative information. By the way, if you wish, I think I can get some Cahokia and Jaketown microblades for you.

Sincerely yours,

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