

JEBEL KHALID

1991

HEATHER JACKSON.

9th SEPTEMBER.

Hot, cloudless, light wind

Recruited the following workers: Mohammed
Hamid
Husein
Ad'ee
Aziza
Hefse.

7.00 a.m. Began to shift rocks in the "Stoa" area where they have encroached on possible trench sites.

Today will be spent clearing and cleaning.

"Stoa" area appears to be in fairly good condition, though one or two baulks are crumbling / unsafe and will need to be removed.

Difficult to see where to start new trenches at this stage

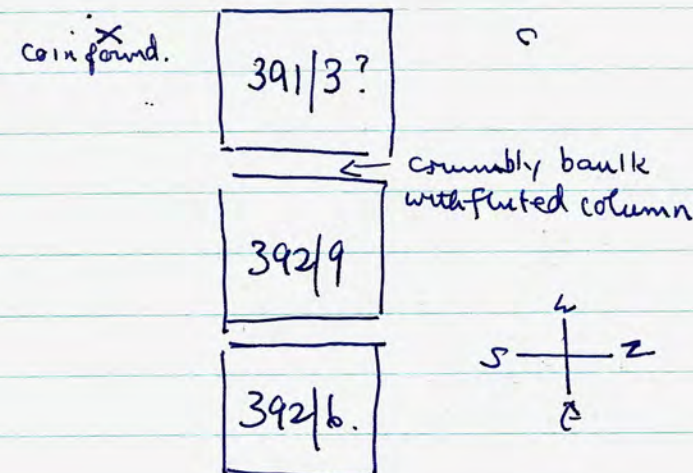
9.00. Second breakfast - by this time we have shifted the rocks about 10-15 metres (this was measured by pacing!) away from the trenches.

9.30 a.m. Started work moving very large pile of rocks to south of trenches. Everyone worked very well the first part of the morning but it's getting hotter every minute, so the pace is slowing up. If we have time we will start removing the crumbling baulk between the two most south-westerly trenches (have not yet been informed of their official numbers!). This baulk shows a section of fluted column probably used as fill on the E. side of the baulk, with rubble packed round it.

10.40 a.m. IPE

9/9/91 cont.

While shifting rocks we found a small coin/circular metal object 2 cm below surface 3 metres south of Trench I. Looks like bronze but very dirty & encrusted



11.30 a.m. Still shifting rocks - the pile is getting smaller but I doubt we will move it all today - some of the rocks are very big and we have no wheelbarrow. Mohammed has gone to get water from Al Furat

12.45 p.m. We've shifted the pile - didn't think we'd get it done. The bank will have to wait till tomorrow - probably while we measure up any new trench.

10/9/91 Found objects in baulk 391/3 and 392/9

1. Fragments of bone
2. 3 sections of metal nail
3. Bead (agate?) : cylindrical, bevelled, pierced.

Pottery : 1 bag.

Body sherds : small amount approx 42 sherds - mixture of terracotta colour & whitish clay.

Diagnostic
Roof tile -

4 pieces reddish terracotta flat tile - 1 with signs of burning.

1 base (complete of) bowl with red paint on part of inside [ - rough string-cut base

1 fragment amphora handle

Frgs of Rims 2 plain echinus rims of bowl - terracotta colour

1 thick white ledge rim

1 slender white echinus rim fragment

3 plate rims, with red paint

1 rim of terracotta bowl

1 rim with outer moulded edge and part of neck



2 tiny sherds with traces of red paint

391/3 - 392/9

10/9/91 TUESDAY

Stoa area

Workers : Hamid

Husein 1

Husein 2 (replaced Mohammed temporarily)

Aziza

Adle

Ktelfe

6.15 a.m. Began measuring out trench 392/3 (east of main facade of "Stoa")

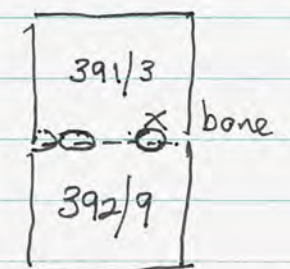
Meanwhile workers demolishing (carefully) crumbling baulk between 391/3 and 392/9.

6.45 a.m. Baulk collapsed into 391/3, without damaging anyone. Proceeding to remove a great deal of soil from above columns visible in lower baulk. Only small stones and brown soil

7.00 a.m. Have recruited Douma's team to help clear the soil and rocks fallen into the trench. No pottery at all yet.

8.00 a.m. Fragments of bone found 150 cm deep (from surface) in 391/3 in baulk soil at base of wall in N.E corner.

Also some sherds



Trying to define corner on west side of baulk.

8.00 a.m. Meanwhile also supervising Douma's team who are now continuing work on 363/2 (see sep. page)

FACE 30T 18/11/01
meadow

10/9/91 continued.

9.30 a.m. Considerable amount of bone found 10 cm below previous find in same location in previously undisturbed soil.

Loose stones between columns very likely to fall if we shift any more behind them. In order to photograph them as is, decided to clean the "front" (East side only).

Fluting on left hand column, now it's being cleaned and cleared is quite fine.

10.20 a.m. Piece of metal (a nail?) 7 cm long (broken off) found in a vertical position in soil packed behind (i.e. west) second column from left in "?? doorway". It was 20 cm below top of the badly eroded column & 56 cm " surface level.

Photographed "doorway" Roll 1, 10-14.

Thoughts about this "doorway"

The two side columns which are in quite good condition as far as fluting is concerned may have been the original limits of the door/entrance. The badly eroded column and loosely packed stones between them may have been used to block the entrance at a later date. This would give a normal-width entrance. The badly eroded column used as fill (fluting only just visible at base) would have been perhaps lying about getting weathered.

Diary 10/9/91

10.00 10 min. rest
very

10/9/91 continued

11.00 10 min. rest

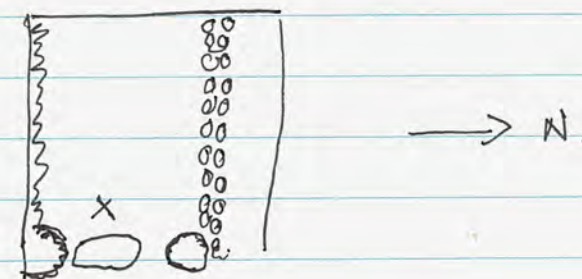
will now clear pile of soil away from behind
(? wall) doorway.

11.15 am 2 more sections of nail found, most probably
the rest of the one found at 10.20 a.m. at same location.

11.20 am. More fragments of bone found in same corner
as before (see sketch)

12 noon. Heat intense - work proceeding very slowly
on clearing this area. Went to sit in shade of
quarry for a few minutes.

12.30 p.m. Small bead  found (hole through middle)
in soil at floor level behind (west of) eroded
pillar - 30 cm west of pillar.



12.45 pm. Feeling much better after a good vomit.
(- shouldn't have eaten a plum and fresh chili
for second breakfast!)

Corners now defined on West side of "doorway"
showing fluting still in good condition on the back
of the exposed south side column.

10/9/91 363/2.

✓ 2 bags of pottery one from N (2).
" " south section (floor?)

Body sherds - small amount, mainly small size
- including several thick terracotta coarseware sherds.

Roof tile - 8 fragments - all fairly small

Diagnostics

- 1 amphora handle fragment attached to fragment of body.
- 1 fragment of handle
- 1 curved rim fragment of bowl - greenish tinge exterior
- 1 (^{plate}rim frag. - ^{exterior} black paint & small moulded ledge.
 - reserved line below rim.
 - interior traces of black paint
- 3 rim fragments of plain shallow bowls (echinus).
- 1 base rim fragment - whitish clay
- 1 thin rim " of plate (thin) - black paint both sides
- 1 curved rim " with red paint interior and black paint exterior
- 1 rim coarseware (red)
- 1 rim of ? amphora
- 1 body sherd - red paint
- 1 " " - black "

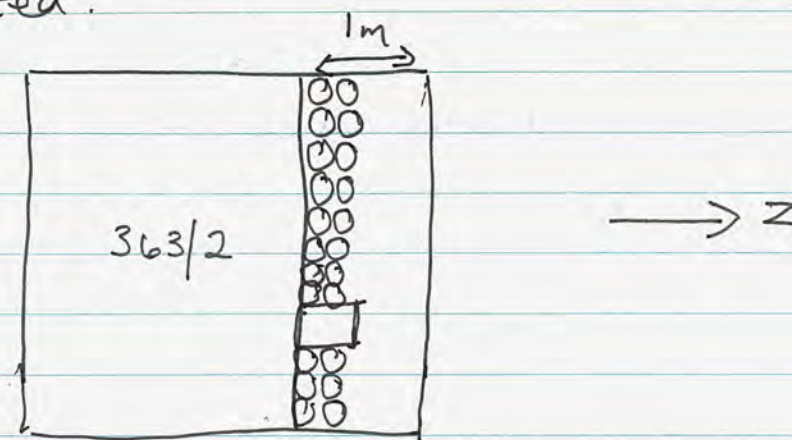
Second bag documented by P.C.

10/9/91

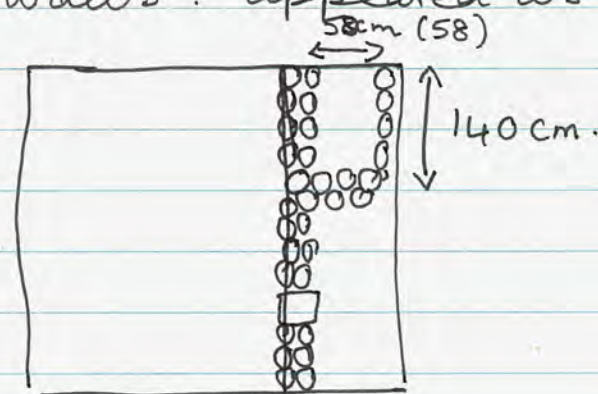
Trench 363/2

Douma's team partially supervised by me
- continuing work on 363/2

1. excavating narrow strip on north to define E/W. wall
- 2) cleaning southern section already excavated.



9.30 a.m. walls? appeared as follows



This gives a very narrow enclosure in NW. corner
- only just wide enough to stand - puzzling.
No sign of continuation of N. 'wall' in ^{east} south section of N (2)

10.45 a.m. Cleaned down "walls" indicated above
- very rough and uneven.

P.C. decided not to proceed in NW. corner but to continue excavation in easterly section of N (2) and clean floor of south section of trench.

11.30 a.m. Much soil, some pottery.

392/3
Stratum 1.

Pottery

- Large bag body sherds.
- 6 roof tile fragments

Diagnostics

- 1 black river pebble
- 7 fragments burnt terracotta tile
- 1 handle fragment with attachment to body
- 1 " " "
- 3 fragments burnt pottery.

Bases.

- 1 $\frac{2}{3}$ complete base of flat bowl / plate
- 1 fragment base plate / bowl
- 1 " " " "
- 1 " " " thick clay bowl with faint incised lines on exterior of body

Rims

- 1 rim fragment large amphora / pot.
- 1 eclimic rim slender terracotta plate.
- 1 " " " whitish bowl
- 1 thick ledge rim with incised line on top of rim
- 1 slender ledge rim cup / bowl
- 1 eclimic thin black rim fragment
- 1 stepped rim thick clay bowl
- 4 other plain rim fragments.

Paint / decoration

- 1 reddish body sherd with incised ~~vertical~~ lines
- 1 thick clay body sherd with irreg. curved incised lines
- 1 body sherd, black paint, incised lines 
- 1 " " thick clay pot - incised lines
- 1 " " red paint both sides

11 SEPTEMBER (WEDNESDAY)

Workers: Hamid

Husein 2 (still instead of Muhammad)

Ali (replacement for Husein 1)

Aziza

Ad'le

Helge.

NB. If M. & H. 1 do not turn up tomorrow, I'll have to employ two stranger persons than Husein 2 & Ali - presumably they go back to school next week.

6.15 a.m. Started clearing surface of new trench
392/3

Stones and soil

Hope to find continuation of wall westwards which appears to be boundary wall ?? of stoa in 392/6.

8.30 a.m. Still removing surface soil and small stones
Some pottery sherds
Larger rocks along western boundary of trench

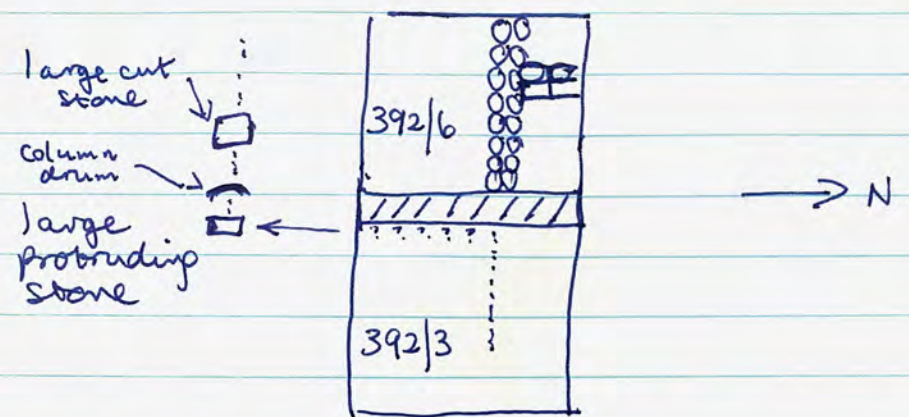
9.45 a.m. Work continues removing soil & small stones.
Not much pottery.
Looks promising for continuation of E/W wall from trench 392/6.

11.30. Pieces of roof tile, fair amount of pottery.
Definitely E-W wall for at least 2 width of trench. Depth of soil to north 3 of this line

Continued.

1 body sherd - red paint traces 11/9/91
1 " " " " both sides (burnt)
1 " " " " one side and incised line inside.

11/9/91 continued on 392/3. (1st day on this trench)



12.30 p.m. ? wall appearing more definitely on western boundary of trench.

This makes sense as it lines up with a large protruding (maybe cut but weathered) stone 1 metre to south of trench

Pottery - 2 bags.
1st bag

Diagnostics

5 roof tile fragments.

~~5 fragments~~

- * 1 amphora toe + ~~three~~? matching body fragments
- * 3 matching fragments making base of clay bowl.
- 1 body sherd with curved lines in brown paint.

Rims

1 plate rim fragment with border of red paint on top and below.

1 ledge-shaped rim fragment of bowl.

Base fragment of terracotta dish.

1 river pebble - black oblong.

1 bag body sherds (few) bagged with roof tiles

- * bagged ~~by~~ separately from other diagnostics

2nd bag

2 diagnostics only - no body sherds

1 thick red body sherd with graffiti?

1 red-painted body sherd (painted both sides).

11/9/91 WEDNESDAY.

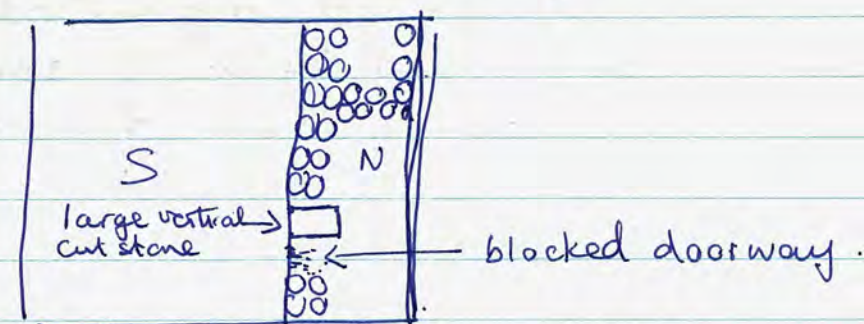
Trench 363/2
(P.C. & H.I.)

Workers Douma and normal crew.

6.15 a.m. Continuing excavation in both north and south sections of trench

Intention in S. to find base of E/W wall

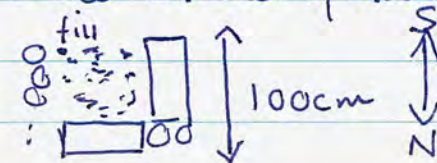
Very fragile blocked doorway between two sections - leave this and be careful.



Cut Stones at base of wall on S. side.

7.45 a.m. In South section reached base of wall. Crushed limestone on floor. 162 cm from surface.

In North section horizontal large cut stone at base of doorway - maybe threshold stone? or fallen? - bottom of this 100 cm. below side stone of doorway.



8.30 a.m. Black rectangular stone found protruding from ~~the~~ side of trench

Crosswall in N. section much clearer - quite a good wall.

8.45 a.m. Bone found in soil N(3)

Stoa.
Baulk 363/2 + 364/8 11/9/91

1 bag pottery.

1 small thin plain rim fragment - terracotta.

1 complete neck of amphora + shoulder
- bagged separately ~~with~~ adjacent body sherds
which may belong.

Body sherds - may belong to amphora.
- show signs of burning

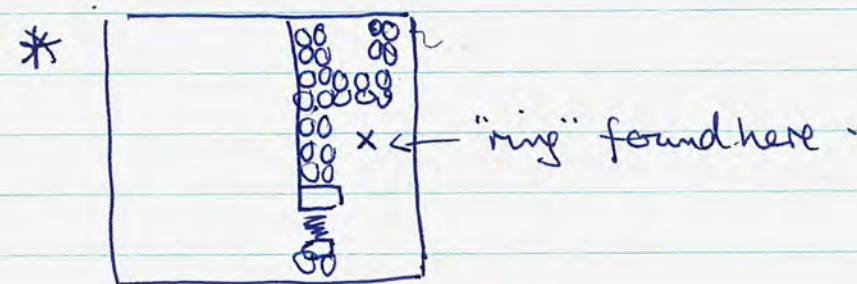
11/9/91 363/2 continued. → Baulk.

9.50 a.m. Metal "ring" found on floor of N(2)
Floor now established (crushed lime).
Depth from surface 144 cm.

* Ring found 144 cm depth, 75 cm east of cross wall (see dig).
Also larger pottery sherds including amphora foot.

10.15 a.m. Work started on baulk between 363/2
and 364/8.

We are starting from the eastern side. It
appears to be all soil between north end of
baulk and ~~existing~~ excavated E/W wall.



11.50 a.m. Photos taken by P.C. of 363/2 N.

392/3

12/9/91

Object

1. Tapered metal object - knife/dagger blade found in N/S wall on western boundary of trench.

{ 1 bag pottery S ①.
1 bag roof tiles S ① } bagged together p.m.

Diagnostics

Rim fragment of coarse plate - black paint

Rim fragment clay pot 5

2 matching rim fragments - plain with incised line

1 moulded rim fragment

1 rim edge-shaped rim fragment

2 base fragments

1 body sherd with base of handle

1 echinus rim fragment

2 plain thick rim fragments 17

1 " " " " 1

1 echinus rim fragment - traces of black paint

1 red painted slender plain rim fragment

1 body sherd - red paint

392/3

12th SEPTEMBER (THURSDAY)

Very windy, dusty.

Workers: Hamid

Husein 1

Husein 2.

Azza

A'dle

Helfe.

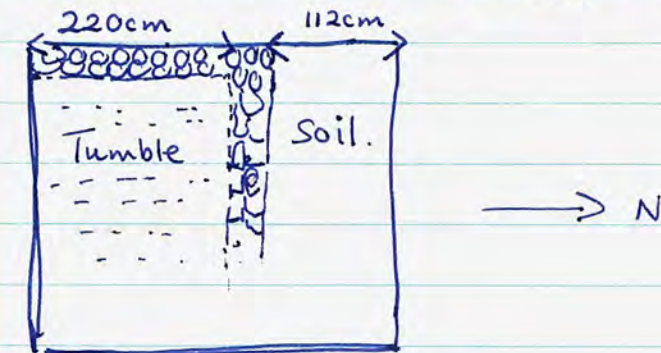
6.15. a.m. started work on south side of trench.

Walls quite clear on west boundary and N → S

and continuation of E-W. wall in trench to west.

Still lots of surface soil - no change in colour.

7.20 a.m. Some tumble becoming apparent at an approx depth of 6-10 cm. all over south area of trench.

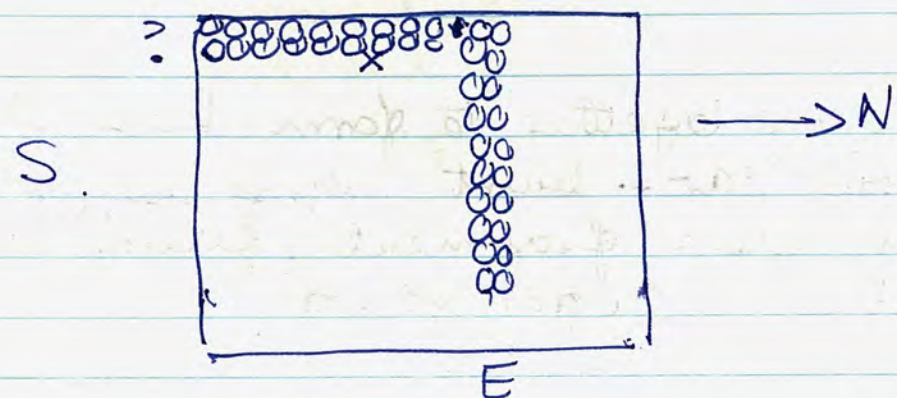


8.15. a.m. Still shifting soil from surface of tumble in south section. Mohammed has arrived and is working on the north side where there appears to be a greater depth of soil and less tumble.

8.45 a.m. concentrating on south section cleaning tumble - difficult with only one small brush!

10.15 a.m. Much the same situation. Soil same colour.

10/10/55 : Object found in "wall" (presumed)
running N → S.
Long tapered metal object ~~like~~ shaped
like a knife or dagger blade.
40 cm. depth.
62 cm from edge (west of trench.).



Baulk

363/2 and 364/8

12/9/91

Objects

Bone fragments

Broken (half) black basalt grindstone

1 Large bag, ^{mainly} fragments of amphora.

Diagnostics

Bag 1

- * 3 fragments fitting together to form base of coarse fabric jar - burnt of large clay jar
- 2 rim and shoulder fragments, fitting together - with handle on larger sherd - deep incision as decoration on rim.
- 2 rim fragments (fitting) of clay large clay jar - double incision lines as decoration on rim.
- 1 handle fragment
- 1 rim fragment - red painted.

Bag 2: body sherds - burnt. Some may belong to burnt jar in Bag 1.

Body sherds - medium bag - mainly of thick coarse clay pot/s.

19/9/91

12th SEPTEMBER (THURSDAY)

windy, dusty

Baulk between 363/2 and 364/8 - East side of south
Workers

Douma & crew all present

6.30 Bone fragments

6.50 Large fragments of amphora - maybe belonging to the neck and other large fragments we found yesterday
Northern end of baulk nearly through.

7.20 a.m. While I was up the hill disciplining Radi's workers (they were throwing dust in the air) I returned to find Douma had removed a large worked stone from ^{near} the base of the baulk. If I had been here I would have left it there. Don't think it was part of a wall but it would have ^{been} better left in place, even though it was resting crookedly on soil and stones

8.25 a.m. Black basalt stone visible yesterday (sticking out from base of baulk) looks like half of a broken grindstone

10.15 a.m. Soil cleared from area, floor swept.
P.C. took photograph. 1c 22, 23.

Grindstone then removed to be taken to Abu G-G.

11.30 a.m. Began continued taking down baulk working southwards (Baulk S ①)

392/3

14/9/91

Objects - none.

S ① small

Diagnostics1 echinus rim fragment - red paint
- shallow bowl?Remainder: body sherds
roof tile fragment.

S ②

Diagnostics

4 fragments burnt pottery

1 ? burnt roof tile fragment

1 echinus rim shallow plate / bowl plain.

2 joining fragments of spout

1 thick rim fragment of large clay vessel }

1 thin plain red-painted rim fragment

1 rim fragment with incised thick line - coarse clay

1 handle fragment

1 body sherd - traces of decoration in black paint.

Pottery1 small bag from S ①
(remains of cleaning).1 bag from S ②
including red cup
packed separately.

14th SEPTEMBER (SATURDAY).

No wind, going to be hot

Workers: Hamid
Husein 1
A'dle
Aziza
Hefte.

8.00 a.m. Muhammad.

6.15 a.m. Started work - continuing to clean southern section of trench for photograph. Then I will have to decide whether to concentrate first on that section or excavate the northern section further first. The N-S wall in the southern sector doesn't look so good today, whereas the ~~the~~ E/W one looks strong.

6.45 a.m. Roll 1c 29-32.

7.00 a.m. Decided to excavate S ② and leave the northern section for now.
Began to shift mass of tumble. Soil brown7.45 a.m. Most of ~~this~~ ^{West.} layer of tumble removed. Now there seems to be another thick layer of mid-brown soil.It is still not clear whether the presumed ^{N/S} wall on the west boundary is a wall or just tumble.

8.15. At the moment it is looking less likely

8.50 a.m. Hamid cleared some soil from the western boundary. There are certainly ~~the~~ closely packed stones there which may or may not be a wall.

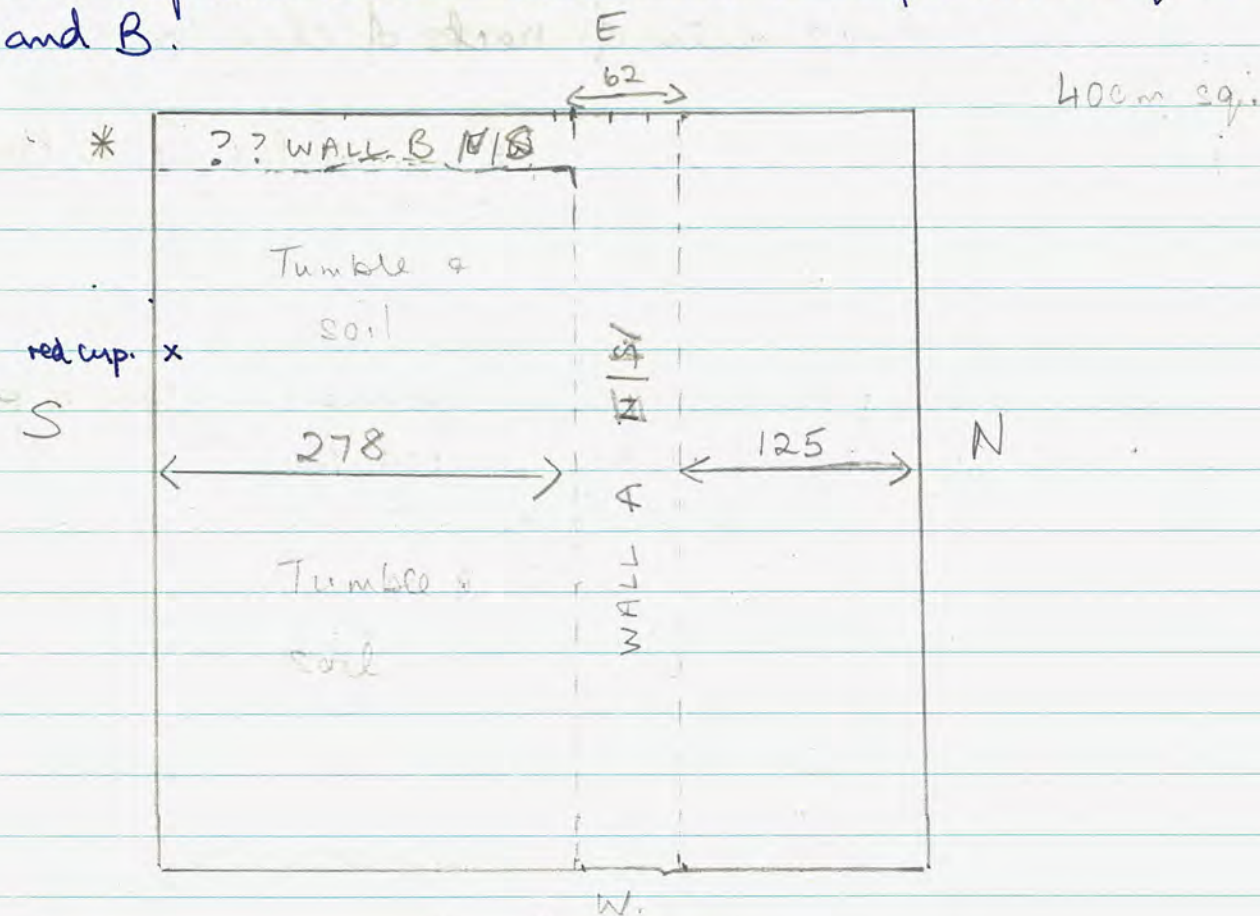
14/9/91 continued

8.50 am. Already very hot. Some very large stones

9.30 am. Still removing soil and tumble. Wall B, is once more becoming a likelihood, but it has a "dent" in it which was confusing

10 am. Definite corner established at juncture of walls A and B.

11.10.



Cannot measure width of this wall yet.

12.15 pm* Sizeable fragments of red-glazed cup with handle found at southern edge of trench 150 cm from SE corner at a depth of 64 cm.

12.30 pm. Moving ^{work} eastwards in S(2) to maintain level. Much brown soil.

14/9/91

Baulk 363/2 - 364/8 S(2)

Objects

2 Fragments of glass

Pottery

1 bag (Baulk SD)

Diagnoses

7 roof tile fragments (separate bag)

2? matching fragments of neck of clay bottle?

Rims

- 1 rim fragment - ledge with incised line on top
- 1 " " - plain interior ledge - coarse clay
- 1 " " 5 moulded.
- 1 thin eckinus rim fragment
- 1 plain rim fragment sloping to interior - thick plate?
- 1 rim fragment flat plate - red paint
- 1 " " - thin fragment (black?) of plate
- 1 " " - bowl?
- 1 " " clay jar
- 1 " " (eckinus) shallow bowl
- 1 " " 5
- 1 " " thick white ledge-shaped coarseware
- 1 " " coarse clay pot - 2 incised lines

Bases

- 1 thick base fragment of large coarse pot - burnt
- 1 " " " of large pot - yellow discolouration
- 1 base fragment terracotta bowl (small)
- 1 ? " "
- 1 " " shallow slender clay bowl
- 1 body sherds decorated with 2 concentric incised lines
- 1 " " with signs of burning on interior

363/2/364/8
Baulk

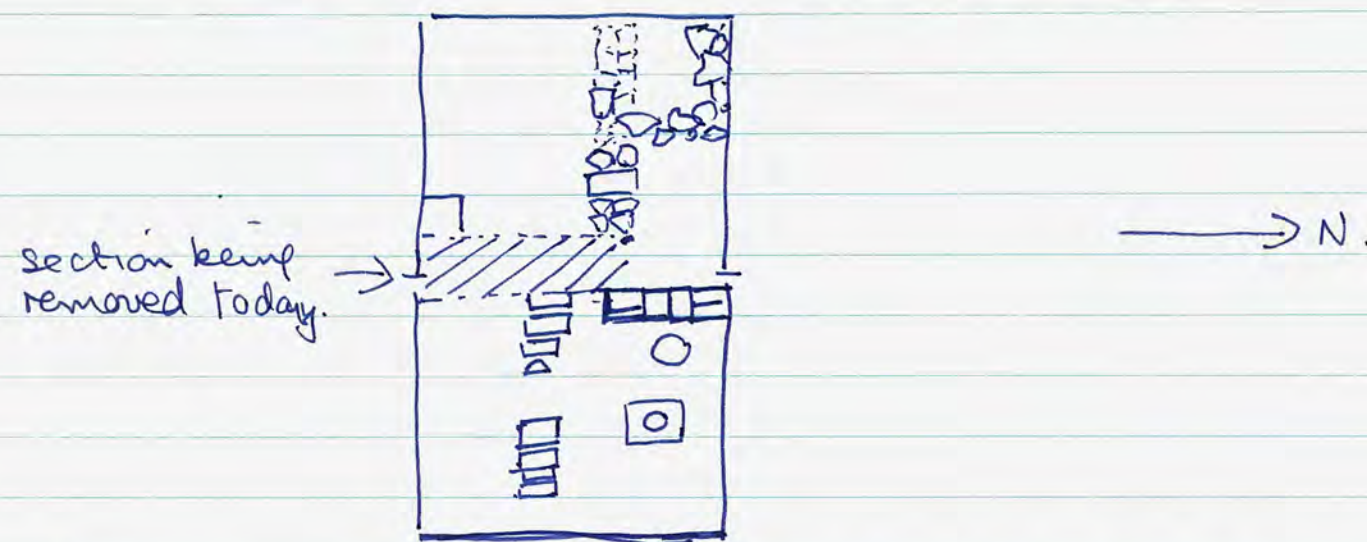
14th SEPTEMBER (SATURDAY)

Windless, hot

Baulk 363/2 and 364/8 (S1)

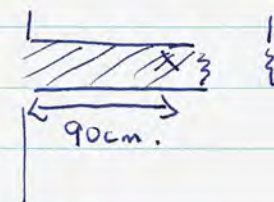
Workers: Douma and crew all present (6).

6.15 am. Started work - continuing removal of baulk - topsoil of southern section of baulk. This section looks to be totally composed of soil and small stones on the eastern side



8.00 am. Work continuing slowly to depth of 50 cm. from surface.

9.30 a.m. Small fragment of glass? metal? Δ (size) found in soil in middle of baulk at 60 cm. depth from surface 90 cm N of southern edge

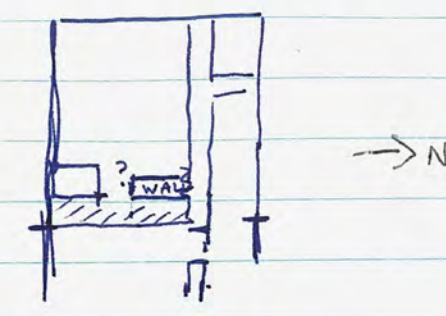


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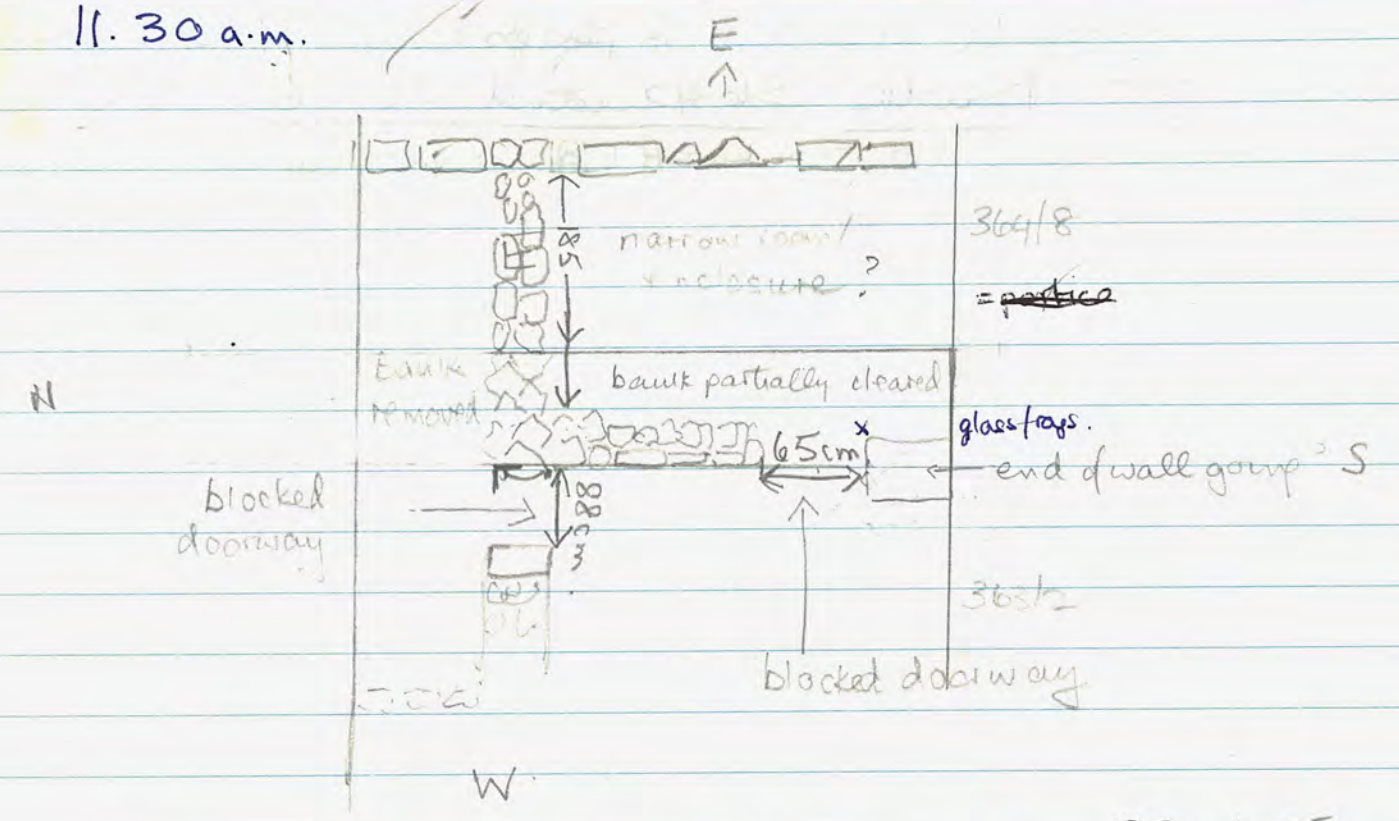
363/3

363/2 364/8

10.00 a.m. Looks like an entrance appearing in bank



11.30 a.m.



This would give entrance from west to a narrow room/ enclosure behind (west of) the ? facade of the Stoa, if it continues into trench (unexcavated) to south (363/1)

12.40 p.m. Another fragment of glass? at point indicated above

15/9/91 392/3 S(2)

Bone
Charcoal

1 bag pottery. - for details see 2 pages ahead.
(not too well today!)

NB this should be recorded 2 pages ahead for Baulk 363/2 and 364/8 S2

Large bag body sherds.

Diagnostics

2 x complete ring bases of small terracotta bowls.

1 large rim fragment of ? mortarium.  (signs of burning)

1 rim fragment 

1 complete small ring base of flattish bowl - ~~can~~
- concave recess inside

1 plain amp handle fragment attached to plain rim - greenish ^{clay}

1 slender " " " " body sherd.

2 matching rim fragments - moulded exterior

1 handle fragment attached to body with rim above

1 coarseware rim fragment - moulded exterior

1 rim fragment shallow plate - red both sides, incised

1 complete neck of flask fragment

1 ? twisted / or spirally incised handle fragment attached to body sherd - greenish colour

1 body sherd greenish colour

1 large rim fragment of large red bowl.  with incised decoration - red paint design? on interior

1 rim fragment shallow echinus bowl - red outside

392/3

S(2)

15th SEPTEMBER (SUNDAY)

Breeze - not strong.

Workers. Hamid

Adle

Aziza

Heffe

Husein I.

8.00am Mohammed. - did not work.

6.15 a.m. Spent first 10 minutes fruitlessly searching for the three missing fragments of the red cup - no luck. However, the cup has its complete shape.

Continuing work on S(2) removing soil and tumble.

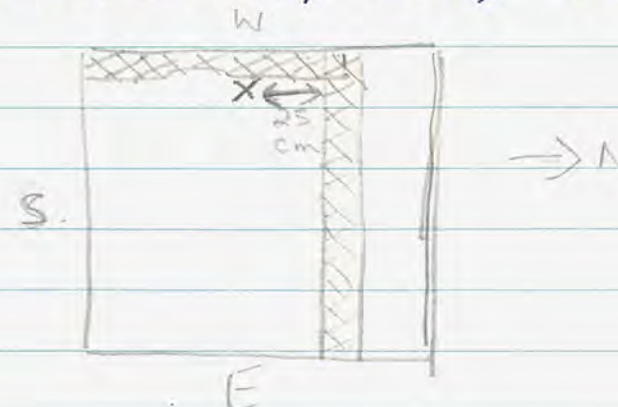
8.00am Working eastwards. Still much soil and largish rocks

Still not ^{entirely} sure about N/S wall but trowelling at base indicates that it does go down.

9.30 am. Have moved work back to western section of S(2) to try and establish the wall.

Meanwhile Husein is cleaning and brushing down the southern side of wall A - looks good.

10.30 am. Fragments of bone and charcoal found in N.W. corner of S(2) 105 cm below surface level, 25 cm from wall A (N/S wall) "corner"



- 6 body sherds red painted both sides.
7 " " burnt.
1 handle fragment - red.
1 body sherd showing curve shoulder to neck of narrow necked flask - may belong to neck of flask overleaf

392/3

S(2)

1P/R/21

11.55. ~~Wall A~~ Excavating at western end of S2.

Wall B becoming clearer further down but the stones are in bad condition.

Wall A (E-W) still looks in good condition and there is a clear corner in the N/W corner of S(2).

12 noon - bone fragments found in soil up against wall B (N.S) 120 cm depth. - same location as in diagram overleaf, but deeper. We still have not found the floor which must be lower than the floor in adjacent trench to west (to be expected with slope of terrain?)

Baulk.

363/2 and 364/8

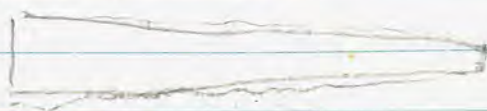
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Bone fragments

S(3)

Objects (S(3))

- * Circular pebble 10 cm diameter - discoloured or red paint around edge.
- Metal? nail 6 1/2 cm long. - Tapered



- * perhaps stopper for amphora

1 Bag pottery S(2). } 2 bags.
1 " " S(3) }

Bag from S(2) Trench 392/3 - this should be on previous page

Diagnostics

- 4 fragments roof tile
- 1 " burnt body sherds - coarseware

- 1 spout of lamp - traces of red
- 1 handle with twisted (spiral) moulding, attached to body - traces of green, especially on interior
- 1 echinus rim fragment of bowl
- 1 fragment of coarseware spout or "bottle" neck
- 1 echinus rim fragment of shallow dish
- 1 rim fragment - moulded exterior
- 1 " " echinus shallow bowl black exterior red interior
- 1 " " flat plate, black both sides
- 1 slender rim fragment
- 1 plain " of slender plate / bowl
- 1 rim fragment red flat plate
- 1 " " thin? cup. (red both sides)
- 8 fragments (body sherds) - red both sides
- 1 body sherd - black both sides
- 1 rim fragment with incised lines below rim

Baulk.
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S(2)

(3)

15th SEPTEMBER SUNDAY

Breezy.

Workers: Douma etc.

Abed absent.

6.15 a.m. Started work on clearing lower section of southern section of baulk (now labelled Baulk S(2)).

Some interesting pottery emerging.

A lot of lime in the soil - I wondered whether it might be a floor but on closer inspection I think it's just crushed stones. It's too high (56 cm) above the level of the floor in 364/8.



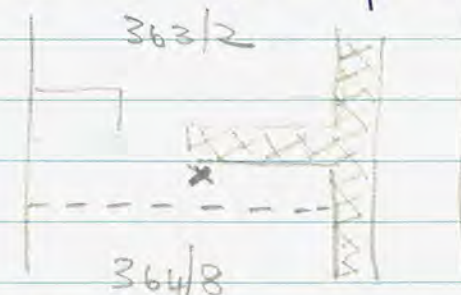
8.00. Bone fragments found at x in diagram at 80 cm depth, 10 cm from E/W wall (B) (S3)

Large circular stone (river pebble?) found (S3) also in that corner (10 cm diameter) (amphora stopper?). Soil in this corner is darker, richer brown.

8.30 * More bone fragments found in same area all along wall (A in diagram) (east side)

[* Object - circular stone ^{maybe} amphora stopper]

8.35 * Object - metal fragment? nail? found (S3) near entrance at depth of 78 cm from surface.



As it was near the entranceway, perhaps something to do with a doorway - hinge? It is tapered

Baulk
363/2 + 364/8
S(3)

Below white layer of crushed limestone
(perhaps a later floor) the soil is darker so will
call this S(3)

Not much pottery - 2 fragments roof tile in
this stratum.

Probably will not finish this baulk today which
is disappointing.

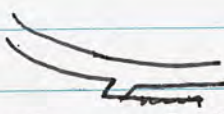
Diagnostics S(2) continued from 392/3 S(2)

- 1 body sherd with incised lines in pattern
- 1 " " with 2 concentric incised lines - thick red terracotta ware

1 moulded rim fragment 

1 base fragment 

1 " "

1 body fragment coarseware pot with? base of handle 

S(3) Baulk 363/2 + 364/8 15/9/91

S(3) Bag

Body sherds - small quantity

6 fragments roof tile bagged separately

Diagnostics

- 1 amphora toe - burnt
- 1 base fragment; rim shape of flat bowl/plate
- 2 x red rim fragment - eburne shallow bowl
- 1 white " " " "
- 1 plain incised rim fragment - red
- 2 x burnt body sherd
- 1 body sherd - red? decoration
- 1 rim fragment red - incised line on exterior
- 1 plain outer ledge rim ^{frag} coarseware? bowl
- 1 moulded rim fragment

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Objects: 1 Fragment green coloured stone (tiny)

Base

1 bag pottery.

Body sherds - moderate amount-

Diagnostics

5 fragments burnt cookware

1 body sherd - burnt - red interior

1 handle fragment - red terracotta

1 black fragment of handle of unguentarium?

1 rim " large clay pot

2 echinus rim fragments of shallow dishes, 1 black,
1 with red exterior and red interior stripe

1 rim fragment - red - of bowl

5 body sherds - red glaze / paint

1 base fragment - ring base of flat red plate / dish

1 base fragment - plain ring base - clay pot

1 " " - red paint - open vessel, ring base

1 body sherd red paint interior, black exterior

1 echinus rim of plate - red stripe on interior rim

1 plain rim - thin bowl / cup

1 base fragment - ring base - open bowl

1 rim fragment clay pot

1 tiny body fragment - ? burnt? greenish tinge

Roof tiles bagged separately with other cooking tiles

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S③

Windy, cool at first.

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Workers: Hamid ✓

Husein ✓

Aziza ✓

Ad'le ✓

Helge ✓

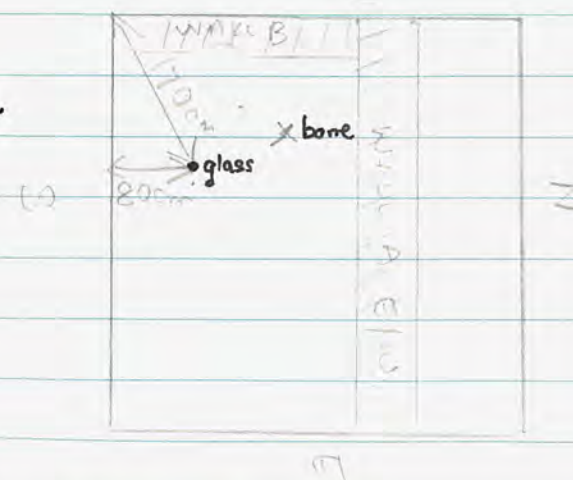
Mohammed ✓

6.15. Started work at eastern end of S ②.

Area to be cleared today to an approx level
depth of 130 cm - 140 cm. Will call this
S ③ - the distinction between it and S ②
being only that there is more soil and less
rock than in S ②.The area at the base of this level
looks like it may be the floor - close packed
clay.8.05 am. Small object - fragment of glass found at
depth of 104 cm.

80 cm from bank on south

170 cm from S.W. corner

8.15 am. Bone in soil removed from point location
marked above.

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9.15 am. More bone on presumed floor in middle of section (S ③).

② Large stone embedded in ? floor. Will leave for now. Elsewhere a good flat clay surface is being cleared.

Lower section of walls A & B are being cleaned

11. am. Have cleared about $\frac{2}{3}$ of presumed "floor" working ~~south~~ eastwards. "Floor" still appears fairly even. We may have to excavate ^{deeper} further up against wall B to establish whether ~~the wall~~ either wall A or B goes further down.

11.30 pm. Several bone fragments (quite large) on presumed floor.

12.15 p.m. Excavation at (NE) corner revealed wall A has a large worked stone in it. It is the only such which has appeared in the wall in this trench. - does not seem to be a rectangular block but the face of it is worked.

Wall A

A-SE/W

72cm.

12.20 p.m. After travelling round edges it is clearly a column section drum on its side. ~~Part of its widest~~ It measures 72cm across at widest point visible (some is still in bank). [NB. column drums in situ (?) or "colonnade" are 80 cm. across.

Baulk

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Objects:

1. Large metal nail - 2 fragments on floor (s4) S (3).
2. Bronze? tweezers. - on floor (s4).

1 Bag pottery from S (3).

Body sherds - few in number

1 roof tile fragment

Diagnostics

1 thick base - ring shape  large shallow dish

1 base of handle fragment

1 amphora toe handle

2 plain eclunus rim fragments of shallow dish

1 painted " " " - outside red & black design
- inside red stripe

3 burnt body sherds - cookware

1 plain red eclunus rim fragment shallow bowl

1 body sherd - red paint one side - swelling in middle

1 base fragment - red

1 rim fragment - black E

1 body sherd - red paint

1 plain eclunus rim fragment

Baulk

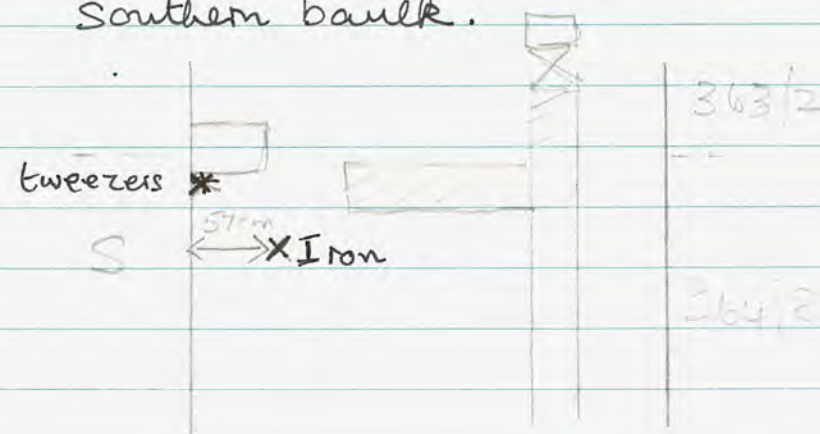
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Windy, cool at first

Douma and crew all present

6.15 Today should see the final removal of remains of baulk, cleaning of walls etc ready for photograph. Started clearing to floor level of 364/8, working from East. Still all soil and ^{a few} crushed stones.

7.55 am. * Iron object (2 fragments) found at 144 cm depth from surface, 57 cm north of Southern baulk.



8.30 am. * Metal (? bronze?) object found in corner X soil at depth of 144 cm. (approx on floor). They look like tweezers!



9.30. Douma cleaning floor and walls of S (3) ready for photograph. No pottery found on floor. Seems to be a slope downhill on floor of this section - southwards

Photograph. 2 c 6-8 + (-11?)
Workers transferred to 363/1

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Note pottery.

(1) small bag.

1 body sherd!! bagged with
Diagnostics

- 1 fragment ledge rim large clay vessel
- 1 " handle base - greenish tinge
- 1 moulded stepped rim fragment with painted black
brown stripe
- 1 ? rim fragment of small vessel (could be base?) red
- 1 plain rim base clay dish, shallow
- 1 rim fragment terracotta
- 1 burnt body sherds.

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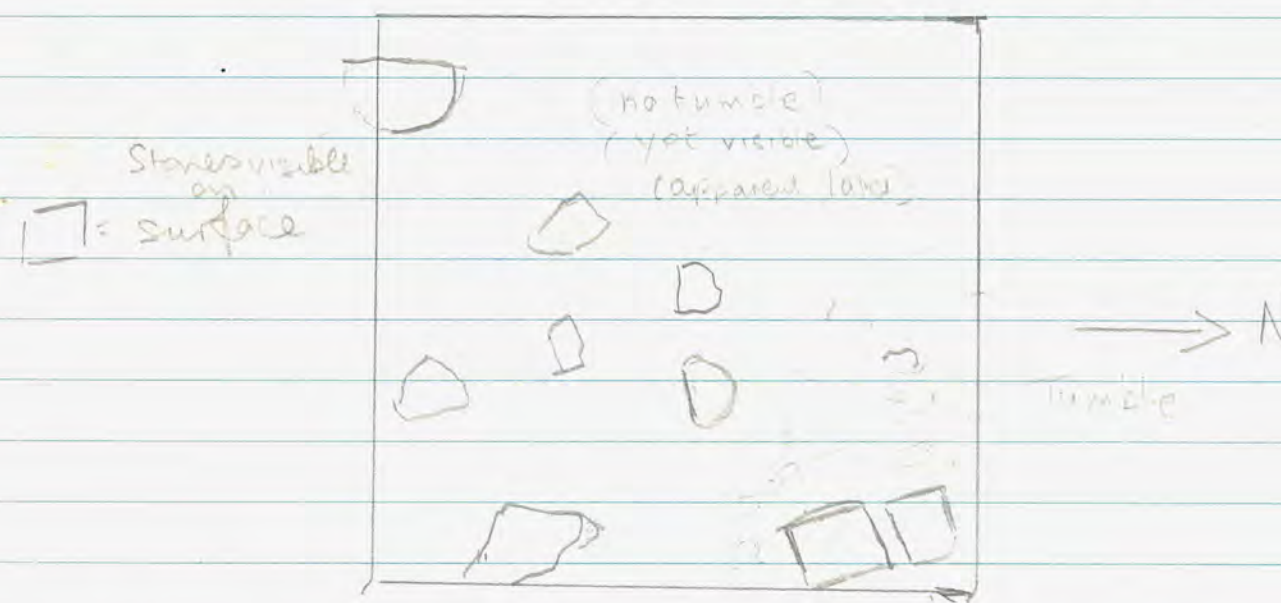
9.45 am Started to move topsoil from new trench

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Need big pick - Douma is fetching it.

Very thin layer of topsoil with tumble under-
neath. ^{in N.E. corner} Some large projecting stones in N/E
corner may go down same way.

11.40 a.m. Used big pick for western end where soil
is packed hard - here there is quite a depth of
of soil without any tumble yet visible



12.30 pm. Tumble now apparent on western side

2 small bags bone.

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2 bags pottery

Objects

- ①. Small clay? figurine? or moulded decoration from pot?
- two fragments not matching.

Bag ②.

Body sherds - plentiful

Roof tile & tile bagged separately.

Diagnostics

- 1 sizeable fragment handle & base
- 1 fragment handle & base - reddish clay
- 1 complete rim base with interior recess (fish plate?)
- 1 " " " " " (red paint)
- 1 base fragment terracotta shallow dish
- 1 " " shallow clay dish
- 1 plain base fragment? base?
- 1 fragment terracotta handle base
- 1 body sherd with incised decoration - large pot
- 1 " " burnt cookware
- 1 " " red-painted ware
- 1 " " red & black paint
- 1 plain column rim fragment - shallow dish
- 1 handle fragment
- 1 rim fragment - moulded
- 1 exterior moulded rim fragment
- 1 plain rim fragment large clay vessel
- 1 amphora toe
- 1 ? base fragment

Where is bag ①?

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N ②.

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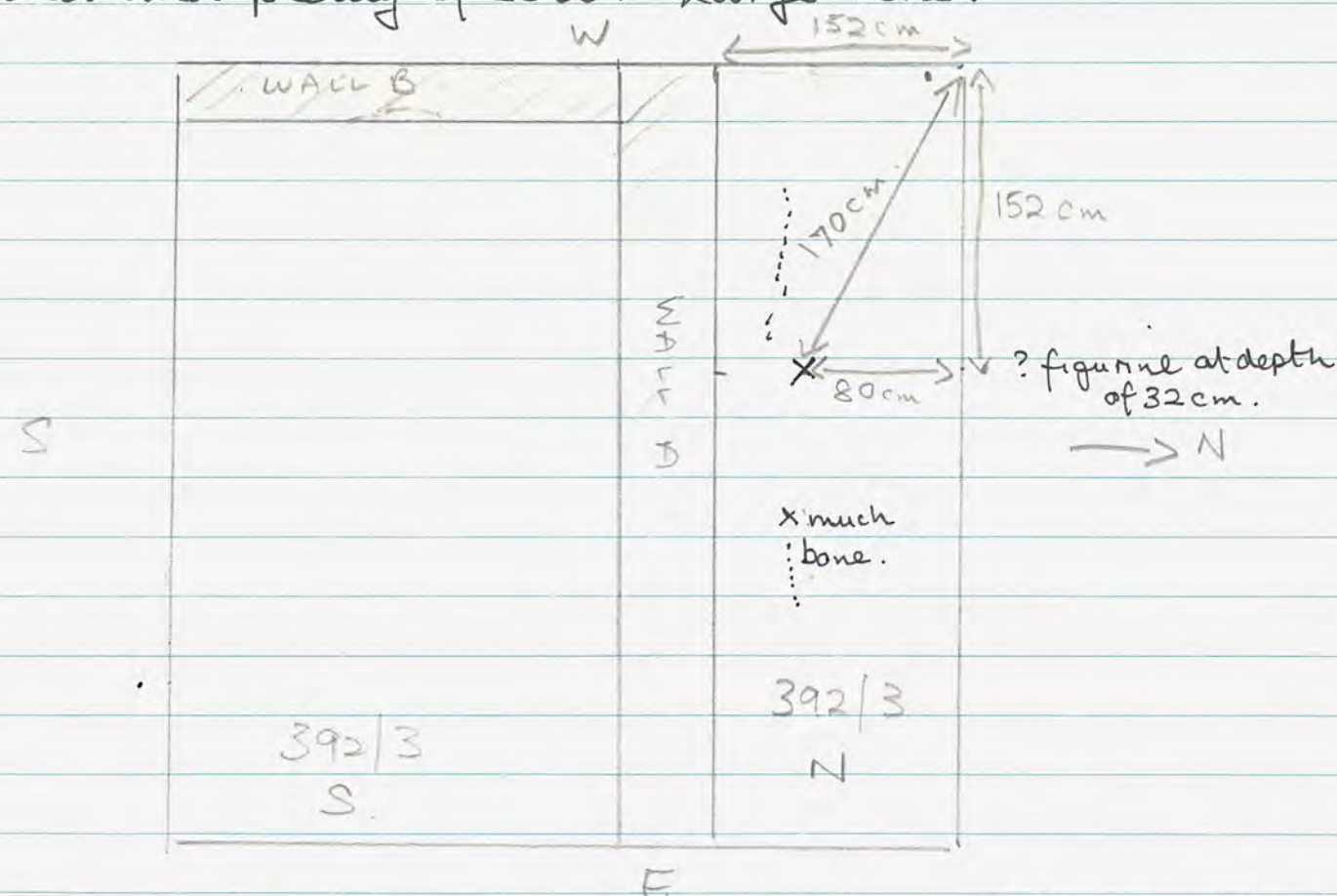
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Windless, already hot.

Workers: Hamid
Husein
A'dle
Ariza
Helfe.

6.15 am. Cleaned remainder of southern side of wall A in S ③. Cleaning of column drum revealed clear circular hole in middle.

6.30 am. Began work in N ② (N ① was topsoil and initial tumble). Beginning at eastern end - small stones and plenty of soil. Large bone.



7.50 am. Object (figurine? : 2 fragments) found at depth of 32 cm (N ②) at site indicated above

More bone found where indicated in diagram.

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8.55. still clearing away mud soil from western end of N(2).

Much pottery emerging. 1 bag already

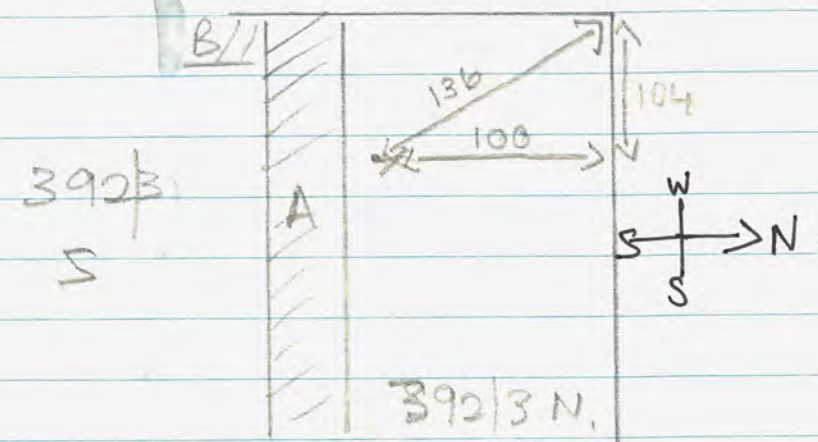
9.30 a.m. Back at eastern end - more bone.

At N.W. corner now excavated to depth of 49 cm.

Began pottery bag no. 2.

Northern side of wall A very stray-looking

10.45 a.m. fragments (2) of glass found at depth of 50 cm.



11.30 a.m. Still much pottery emerging Have now excavated to depth of 57 cm at N.W. corner of N(2).

No bone

Objects none

1 bag pottery

Body sherds - few in number

Diagnostics

2 large ledge rim (ledge interior) fragments, matching

1 exterior ledge rim fragment

1 handle fragment attached to body

1 plain rim fragment

1 amphora toe

1 complete rim base fragment - greenish interior

1 fragment handle base

2 body sherds - red paint

1 ? handle (thin) or rim fragment

3 moulded rim fragments of coarseware

2 plain eckinus rim fragments

2 base rim fragments ? plain clay

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17th SEPTEMBER (WEDNESDAY)

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Workers: Douma & crew (Fedwa's daughter replacing Fedwa)

(1)

6.15 a.m. Began work clearing remainder of topsoil and smaller or loose surface stones. This is level/stratum (1).

7.30. Working in south of trench - much soil and small or medium stones. We are leaving larger ones undisturbed. Not much pottery

8.15 a.m. Moved to S.E. corner - soil and stones - no change.

Already very hot today

9.00. Tumble apparent all over southern end of trench today

10.00 a.m. Large stone in N.E. corner looks as if it goes down some distance but it is not quite vertical. No Pattern of protruding stones elsewhere.

11.30 a.m.



Objects.

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- 1) Corner? of basalt bowl/pestle.
- 2) Terracotta fragment of ? figure? animal? flask decoration.
- * 3) " " ~~4~~? moulded & decorated.
- 4) Circular bronze object? coin
(both above found in soil collapsed during winter in lowest level of trench 364/4. excavated? 1990)

2 bags pottery. 1) from N(2) 2) from N3 NW corner.
2 bags bone.

Bag from N(2).

Body sherds - very large amount

Roof tiles/tile x 6 bagged with body sherds.

Diagnostics

- 1 plate rim fragment -  - red paint
- 1 body sherd - burnt with base of handle
- 7 burnt body sherds.
- 2 rim fragment echinus bowl - red rim stripe extant
- 3 body sherds - red paint
- 1 body sherd with red/brown painted design
- 1 base fragment of flat plate
- 1 " " ring base terracotta dish - red paint?
- 1 " " " " small
- 1 " " " " flat clay dish / plate 
- 1 base(rim?) plain fragment
- 3 rim fragments echinus bowl - black.
- 1 plain red rim fragment - slender? bowl
- 1 " " " " with incised line
- 1 plain rim fragment - signs of black paint??
- 1 moulded " " ? rim fragment
- 1 plain rim fragment
- 1 body sherd with handle base - red outside & in

18th SEPTEMBER (WEDNESDAY)

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Windless, cool at first, becoming windy later and hot

N(2)

Workers: Hamid
Husein
Adle
Aziza
Helfe
Mohammed. 8 a.m.

6.15 a.m. continuing work on N2 - still small stones and soil in this area. No large stones. Plenty of boning pottery sherds.

Working at eastern end to level up with yesterday's excavation (61 cm depth) at W. end

7.00 a.m. Cleaned up eastern end of S(4) floor and levelled it to eastern bank, so that the column drum may be photographed.

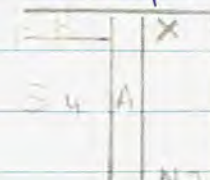
7.30 a.m. Cleaned northern side of wall A in N(2)

8.00 a.m. Returned to work on further excavation in N(2) working from western end. No change in soil colour or nature of soil/stones mixture so am calling this still N(2).

8.15 a.m. Plenty of bone found in western end.

8.30 a.m. Object - corner of ? basalt bowl? with leg? fragment.

Found in western end of N(2) at a depth of 79 cm.



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Bag from N (3) (NW corner)

Body sherds - moderate amount

Tile - 4 fragments bagged with body sherds.

Diagnostics

1 rim, neck & shoulder fragment of large clay pot.

1 large rim fragment flat terracotta dish / plate

* 1 base fragment red bowl - rim base - traces of decoration?

1 rim fragment flat plate - red paint

6 burnt body sherds.

1 amphora toe

1 eclimius rim fragment with red stripe - flat dish

1 smaller ditto

1 plain eclimius rim fragment - red paint, burnt

1 " " " " - black paint

1 ditto, very small

1 ditto - traces of red / black around rim

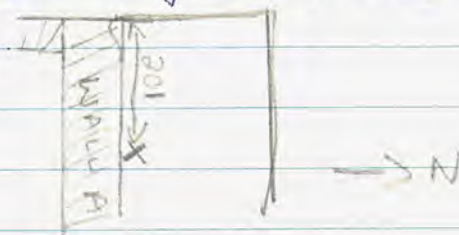
1 body sherd - red paint

1 " " greenish colouring

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N(2)

9.35 a.m. Pottery? object found in the middle of N(2) at the same level as previous object (here ~~at~~ depth of 56 cm from surface up against wall.



10.15 a.m. excavation continuing eastwards at same level. In 364/4 (trench to N.W.) floor level was 56 cm below surface level at eastern end of trench. There does not seem to be a wall in the bank so one might expect the same floor level in this trench, but no sign of it yet.

10.45 a.m. Some patches of different-coloured soil at western end of trench - orangey colour may be crushed oven tile. Slightly* greyer soil in N.W. corner of N(2). at 80 cm^{depth} from corner peg. Will call next stratum after this N(3).

* Am wondering whether ^{this} is the edge or remains of an oven - careful travelling reveals no sign but there are a few flecks of charcoal and some friable fragments of ? oven tile.

[11.30. P.C. arrived to photograph southern section of trench (S4 = floor) roll 3c/17 (1-7)]

11.15 during "rest time" unearthed two objects in collapsed bank - fragment of moulded & decorated terracotta and bronze? coin (in soil in 364/4).

12 noon Leaving darker soil in N.W. corner, continued to excavate reddish soil as in N(1). Bone in SE corner

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1 bag pottery

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Body sherds - medium / small amount of coarseware

Diagnostics

- 1 ledge rim fragment of large clay bowl
- 1 moulded " " " " " " ? hydria ↗
- 1 plain rim
- 1 small moulded rim fragments of small vessels
- 1 rim fragment large coarseware vessel
- 1 ledge " " with interior rim moulding - large pot ↗
- 2 handle fragments, one with base attachment
- 2 ring rim base fragments, ring complete, small bowls
- 1 " " " " slightly larger
- 1 plain rim fragment with incised line - bowl
- 1 base rim fragment large bowl or pot ↗
- 2 " " " ↗
- 1 plain straight rim fragment - faint incised lines
- 1 small cylindrical fragment (of handle?)
- 1 body sherd of thick clay pot - greenish colour, burnt
- 1 small fragment of base of unguentarium

* 1 fragment of figurine (bagged as object)

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Workers : Douma & crew
(daughter Fedwa replacing mother Fedwa)

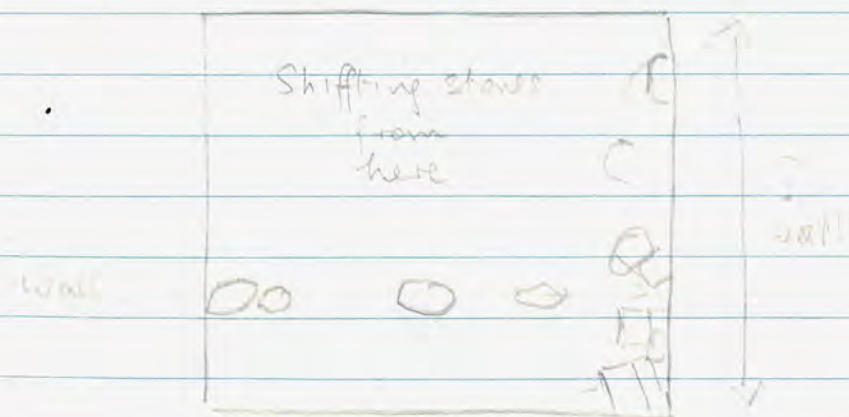
6.15 am. Continuing work over whole area of ①.
- clearing soil and clearing large stones.
A lot of tumble of large stones is apparent now that topsoil has been cleared to a depth (approx) of 10-12 cm.

8.30 am. P.C. visited site and asked workers to remove all soil from around stones and to clean up for a photograph of this stratum.

10.15. Still cleaning up a great deal of soil around the stones. Not much pottery.

11.30 Photographed by P.C.
8 ff. (8-10).

12 noon Began to shift stones in mid NW quarter of trench → 363/1 ②.



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1 bag pottery N (2)
 " " " N (3)
 " " " N (4)

Bone N (4)

Bag N (2)

Body sherds - small amount

Tile (5 fragments) bagged with body sherds.

Diagnosics (N (2))

1 rim fragment flat/shallow plate/dish - incised line interior
 3 ~~to~~ - signs of burning

4 body sherds red painted ware

1 body sherd black-painted ware

1 rim fragment echinus bowl - red interior, red stripe exterior

1 " " small coarseware vessel

1 base fragment - rim - reddish terracotta

1 handle fragment - twisted (maybe incised rather than twisted - traces of black paint?)

Bag N (3)

Body sherds moderate amount - all small, with a fair amount of fragments of tile associated with oven?

Diagnosics

1 large fragment echinus bowl rim with red? decoration interior and exterior

1 rim fragment echinus bowl - red exterior, red stripe interior

1 " " " " red (or black?/burnt?) exterior

- ~~also~~ reserved stripe, red paint interior

1 plain rim fragment slender bowl - traces of red & black

1 rim fragment shallow bowl, reddish interior with incised lines

8 burnt body sherds.

1 handle, clay, red - painted stripes on interior?

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North

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N (2) (3) (4)

Workers Hussein

Hamid's

Anza

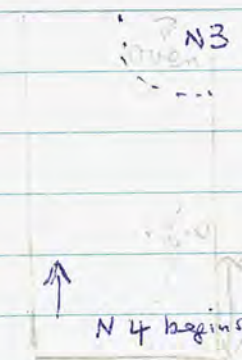
Adle

Heffe

6.15 a.m. Began work by continuing to excavate in N (2) leaving N/W corner (N (3)) where soil seems to be darker

7.30 a.m. Signs of burnt soil and a little charcoal suggest an oven up against northern bank at approx 140 cm from N.E. corner.

Trowelling in N/W corner also suggest remains of an oven - very small amount of charcoal and a few burnt sherds (small).



8.30 a.m. eastern end of N (2) reveals many more stones in excavating lower. Will keep this level and call it N (4).

(N.B. N (3) was small area of N.W. corner where soil was a different colour.

8.45. Mohammed working on N (3) - perhaps an oven in the past but no sign of the usual surround or shape.

Bag N(3) Diagnostics continued

2 body sherds - decoration of red paint

1 " " " " brown/black paint

1 " " ? brown paint, burnt on interior

1 " " black^{paint} burnt?

3 " " red-painted ware

1 " " clay with greenish tinge

1 small rim fragment eclunus bowl

1 square rim fragment

1 base fragment - ring.

1 " "  square? rim fragment  with incised lines

1 body sherd with base of handle - signs of paint and burning.

Bag N(4)

Medium/large amount body sherds.

11 fragments tile - bagged separately - some burnt

Diagnostics

1 rim and base fragment small eclunus bowl 

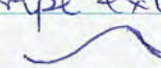
1 amphora toe

1 body sherd with whorl on it - base?

1 eclunus rim - black

1 " " brownish paint in stripes interior

1 " " red stripe exterior, red paint interior

1 handle fragment  - thin

1 thick handle fragment - amphora?

8 burnt body sherds.

1 body sherd - red paint, reserved line

1 " " interior black paint?

2 " " red-painted ware

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N(3), (4)

9.35. Mohammed working on N(3) and turning up a considerable amount of pottery for such a small area.

Others working on western end N(4) - little pottery - still some roof tile and the occasional amphora toe.

10.15 Working back from east to west. No oven - only area of blacker soil, no charcoal.

11.15. Have hurried them up - I want to get N(4) levelled up to western bank. Still roof tile and coarse pottery among soil and stones. A little bone but not as much as yesterday.

11.50. Levelled off length of N(4)

Bag N(4) Diagnostics continued.

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- 1 plain rim fragment slender red-painted bowl
- 1 " " " " thin bowl - pinkish clay
- 1 echinus rim fragment - ? brown interior, reddish markings on exterior
- 1 rim fragment - coarseware ↗
- 1 shallow rim fragment shallow plate/dish - thick incised line
- 1 echinus rim fragment
- 2 body sherds - red-decoration?
- 1 ? plate rim fragment
- 1 rim? or base? fragment - red-painted ware
- 1 rim fragment - plain whitish
- 1 rim fragment - red paint both sides ↗
- 1 base fragment - ring base white clay
- 1 base fragment - rim complete (small vessel)
- 1 " " ↘
- 1 ditto but larger and coarser terracotta
- 1 rim fragment small red-painted vessel ↗
- 1 body sherd - brownish paint.

THIS DIAGRAM refers to 392/3 19/9/91

19th SEPTEMBER '91 (THURSDAY)

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Weather: windy, hazy, cool at first, hot later

Workers: Douma & crew all present

6.15 am. Started work in S/W sector removing small amount of tumble - more soil and stones in this area, indicating lack of wall, as hoped!



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1 bag pottery 363/1 (2)
" " " 363/1 (E2)

363/1 (2)

Body sherds - not many - all coarseware

5 fragments tile, bagged with above.

Diagnostics

1 handle fragment, burnt

4 burnt body sherds.

1 rim fragment ring base - recess O in interior

1 body sherd thick clay pot with handle base

2 handle fragments

1 rim base coarseware - ring

1 plain plate rim fragment

1 rim fragment large bowl - incised line

1 " " "

1 ? plate rim fragment - thick clay

1 plain rim fragment - incised line, bowl/large pot

1 plain red " "

1 " rim fragment

1 ? moulded " "

1 rim fragment - reddish clay

1 " " echinus bowl

1 body sherd of clay pot with black? exterior and interior "lump".

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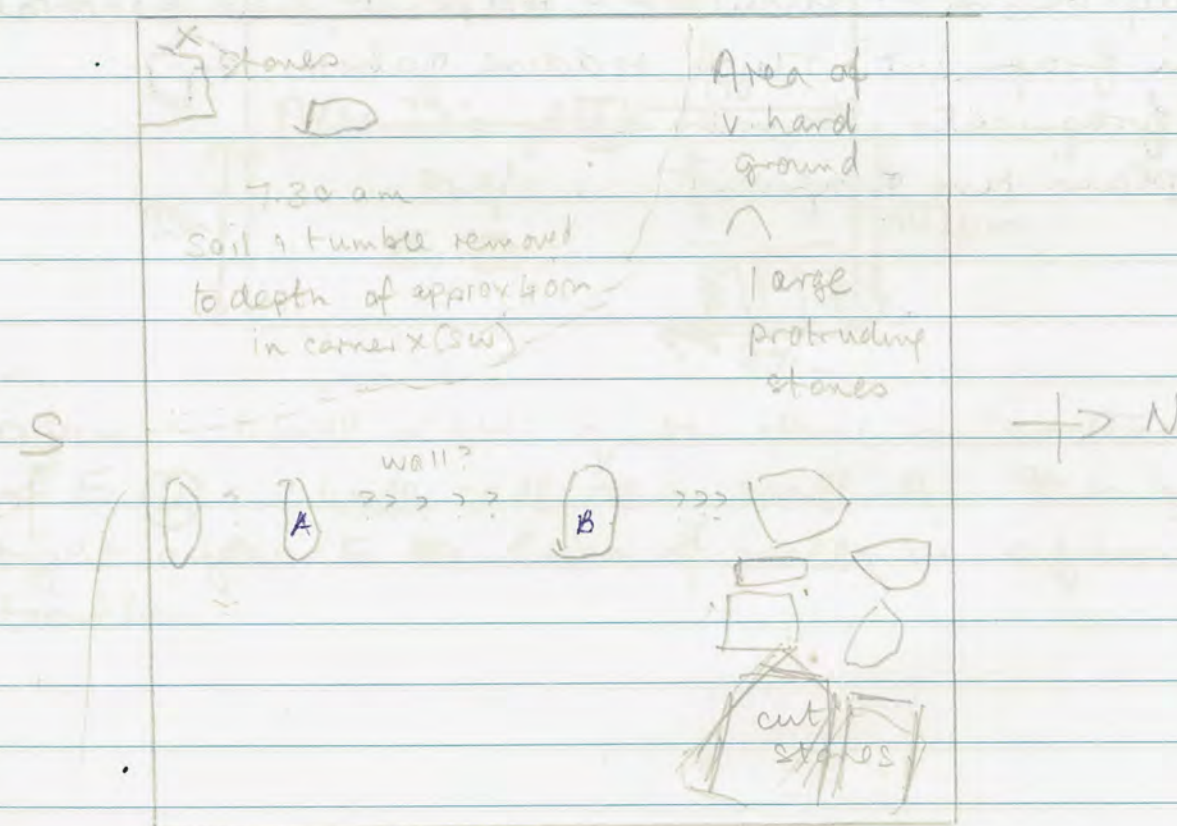
Windy, (very) cool at first.

Workers

Donna and crew all present (Fedwa senior returned)

6.15 started work in S.W sector of trench removing soil, and very small amount of tumble. Am calling this (2).

7.30. Proceeded towards SE sector - small stones and soil. No large stones yet visible in ? possible? line of N/S wall.



8.30. Concentrating on S.W. sector. Clearing of soil between A & B stones (above) shows at this stage only smaller stones beneath.

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Pottery from E (East) (2)
Body sherds - few.

Diagnostics

Base fragment large shallow dish - thick reddish fabric
 - raised small circle in interior
 - ? graffiti on base

Base fragment - thick reddish fabric

" " Ring, small vessel

Body sherd - shoulder - red paint line decoration

Rim fragment thick reddish fabric

4 fragments burnt body sherds

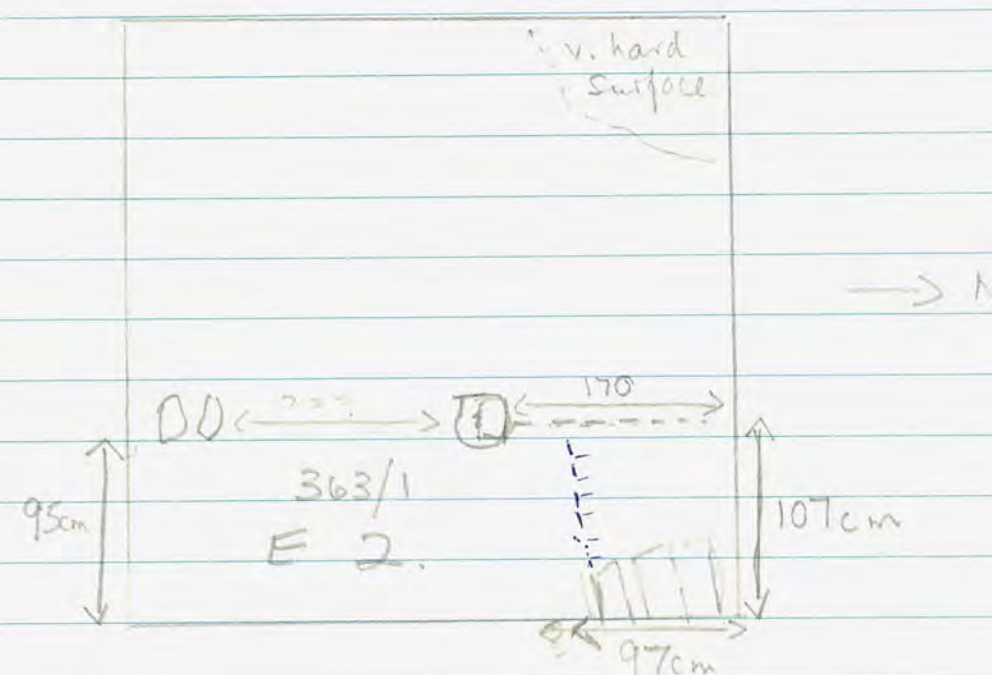
1 plain rim fragment

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10.20 S.W. section cleared to depth of 42cm

Looks unpromising

More interesting is the small area east of the
 ? possible N/S wall. Today we will call this area
 E 2. and concentrate on excavating this (see
 diagram)



11.30 am. Wall - '1+L' quite clear on southern side
 of E (2). Will call this wall A. It is not at
 right angles to the lines of walls in adjacent
 trenches.

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Bone N(4)

Charcoal N(3)

Pottery 1 N(4) ✓

1 N(5) ✓

Bag N(4)

1 river pebble

Medium amount body sherds.

5 Tile fragments bagged with above

Diagnosics

1 amphora toe

6 burnt body sherds

6 sherds red-painted ware

1 body sherd - red paint, signs of burning.

1 " " red stripe.

1 eckinus rim flat plate - wide red stripe.

1 " " bowl/plate - red paint.

1 plain rim fragment - incised line.

1 thick plain rim (eckinus?)

1 moulded rim fragment - coarseware

1 rim fragment - red 57

1 base fragment small bowl/dish

1 plain rim fragment slender bowl, burnt

2 body sherds - signs of brown paint

Bag N(5)

Large amount body sherds + 3 tile fragments

Diagnosics

14 burnt sherds.

5 body sherds red-painted cookware

1 " " (shoulder?) with 2 incised lines as decoration

1 handle fragment

3 body sherds with red painted decoration

1 " " brown paint?

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N(4)/(5)

21/9/91 SATURDAY

Weather: still cool at first

Workers: Hussein I

Hamid's mother.

Adile

Helge

Aziza's sister

✓ Mohammed

6.15 a.m. Continuing work on N(4) to try and find the floor today.

Began by clearing down northern side of wall A.

7.15. Some bone found at depth of 102 cm from surface up against northern side of wall A

134 cm from along wall to west baulk

180 cm from N/W corner

A few larger stones at western end

Pottery and tile still emerging.



I am wondering where the floor is - we are very nearly at floor level of ~~southern~~ section of trench but no sign of any hard-packed floor or crushed limestone in northern. Presence of bone & pottery indicates we're certainly not yet at the bottom but ^{there is} charcoal in N.W. corner and river pebbles (possibly a ^{not basalt} ~~granite~~ a loom weight?)

8.45. Have decided to excavate deeper at eastern end of trench (N) to a measurement of 140 cm from eastern baulk. This would take us past the column drum (80 cm) on southern side

392/3

N(4)

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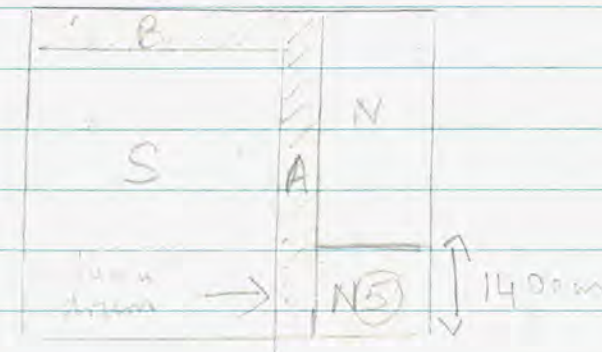
393/2 N(5).

Pottery N(5) continued (diagnostics)

- 2 bases of handle fragments
- 1 plain rim slender bowl - red-painted, incised line
- 2 rim fragment - exterior flare
- 1 echinus rim fragment - interior red stripe
- 1 plain " " plate - red-paint
- 1 " " " bowl " " + incised line
- 1 rim fragment + shoulder
- 2 echinus rim fragment - red both sides
- 1 thick clay rim fragment coarseware
- 1 plate rim fragment - coarseware
- 2x plain rim " coarseware - large pot
- 1 " ledge rim fragment terracotta
- 1 rim fragment - black?
- 1 " " exterior flare, red paint
- 1 " " echinus - stripe?
- 1 " " plain coarseware
- 1 " " " " "
- 1 base fragment - rim - shallow bowl - red
- 3 " " - black / burnt
- 2 " " red-painted ware
- 1 " " shallow dish - dark colour
- 1 ? " " red.
- 1 body sherd - traces of black lines

of wall A. The column drum on the surface is 40 cm wide - if the one in the wall (62 cm wide) is the same width, there will be some wall stones behind it on the side we are now excavating. The soil in this area has some black darker colour in it.

Am calling this area N(5).



10.30 a.m. More soil than stones coming out of this area. Not a great deal of pottery, still some roof tile and red-painted ware.

11.30 a.m. Excavated N(5) to depth of 140 cm. Soil darker at bottom. As yet have not reached foundation/base of wall A. The northern bank shows a clear line (sloping downhill eastwards of greyer soil/ash? - a floor? (oven))

21/9/91
1 bag pottery (2)
1 bag " (3)

(2) - mainly sherds belonging to one? large pot

Diagnostics

- * { 3 large rim and shoulders fragments of large clay pot - fitting together
 - * { 1 ditto - may also belong to above
 - * { These five do form an almost complete rim
 - * { 5 body sherds of similar fabric - may belong
- Above bagged together within Diagnostics bag

1 rim fragment large clay pot - handle base
1 handle " - fl " " burnt

- 2 " "
- 1 " " 
- 1 burnt sherd cookware
- 1 rim fragment flat red plate - mused line
- 1 " "  clay vessel
- 1 " "  shallow dish
- 1 " "  clay terracotta vessel
- 1 " "  coarseware
- 1 " "  plain rim fragment - mused line
- 2 echinus, 1 thick, 1 thin

West. 1/3
363/1 (2)

21 SEPTEMBER (SATURDAY)

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W (2) & (3)

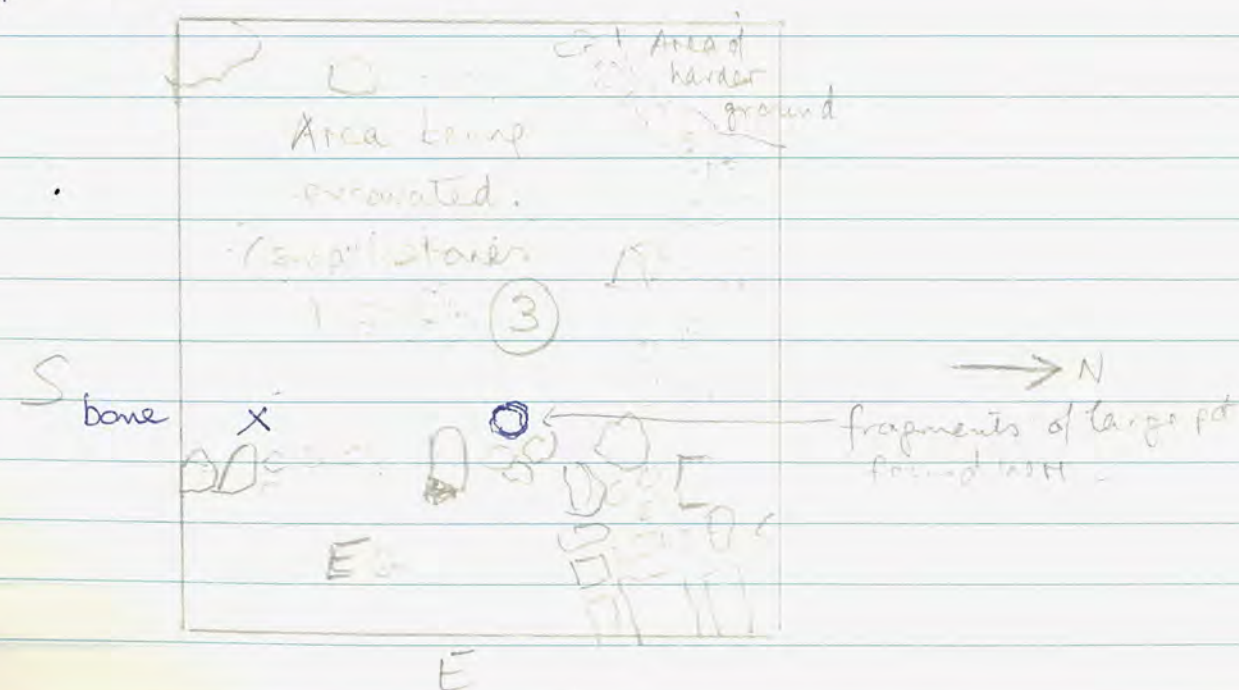
Weather: cool & still at first

Workers: Douma & crew with daughter replacing Fedwa and 2 (waladaya) replacing Amuna and ? They promise the others will be back tomorrow!

6.15 am. Began work by persuading Douma that she must work on whole area of trench until we establish exactly where the whole of (2) ends and a photograph is taken. (She wants to work on E(2) only!).

8.00 am. Area (2) cleared for photograph. Pottery (3)
8.30 am. PC. (Roll 4c 8-11) photographed.

There is an area of small stones which we will now excavate (see diagram) maybe defining wall on the western side. Am calling this stratum (3). In this area it's nearly all small stones resting quite loosely in the soil.



363/1 Bag 2. W (3)
Body sherds : small amount.

Diagnostics

- 1 amphora handle with base
- 2 thick body sherds - burnt.
- 2 ? fragments roof tile
- 2 echinus rim fragments
- 1 rim fragment thick clay pot
- 1 base fragment → small bowl
- 1 plate rim fragment coarseware
- 1 rim fragment large clay vessel
- 1 base fragment - ring base
- 1 ?? " "

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(3) W.

12.15. Small stones and brown soil cleared from central area of (3), north of presumed wall

12.30. Some bone unearthed near corner of presumed wall N/S and corner with southern baulk

392/3-N5/N6.

22/9/91

2 bags bone from N6. (1 inside the other - jawbone only)

✓ 2 bag pottery N(5)

✓ " " " N(6)

Objects

1 Pottery base with holes in N6

2 Lamp - fragments N6

3 " " " N6

12 " " " N6

1 " " " N6

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22 SEPTEMBER (SUNDAY)

Weather: cool & breezy at first.

Worker: Hussein 1

Hamid's mum

Aziza's sister

Adil's

392/3

N(5) → N(6)

Large quantity of bone found up against easterly bank.

Object? pottery base fragment in base (drainer, sieve?)

thin section

For Bag ② of N5 refer to 3 pages ahead
(before 23/9/91)

Pottery N⑥.

Large bag of body sherds - mainly coarseware.
Significant number of greenish-coloured clay.

Diagnostics

Black soil began on n. side only at 146 cm. depth.

(N6)

392/3
N⑥

Objects!

- 1) Fragments terracotta lamp with handle
complete and moulded decoration - incised rays with

- 1 rim fragment + narrow rim fragment - 2 red painted exterior & interior, 1 with exterior reserved rim
- 1 plain rim fragment slender bowl - incised line
- 1 rim fragment shallow red-painted dish, rim
- 1 plate - rim fragment, burnt

area. &
12 near N501 exco

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Object: stamped amphora handle

1 bag pottery sandage (1).

1 handle fragment, burnt.

1 " " curved with base

3 burnt body sherds

2 body sherd - red-painted one side

1 " " " " both sides - burning?

1 " " red-paint design both sides

1 " " ? greenish both sides

1 echinus bowl rim sherd - red outside

2 " " " " red both sides

1 rim sherd  - traces of stripe on top of rim

1 echinus rim sherd striped rim both sides

1 rim sherd slender bowl, incised, red both sides

1 " " thick clay water pot 

1 base sherd rim base shallow bowl

1 " " red painted both sides, rim base, burnt

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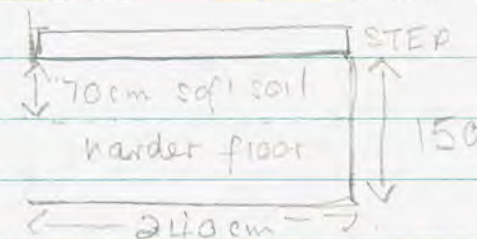
8.30 Started work on a sounding at base of steps in 364/2.

First job to tidy up remains of baulk (very ragged at northern end).

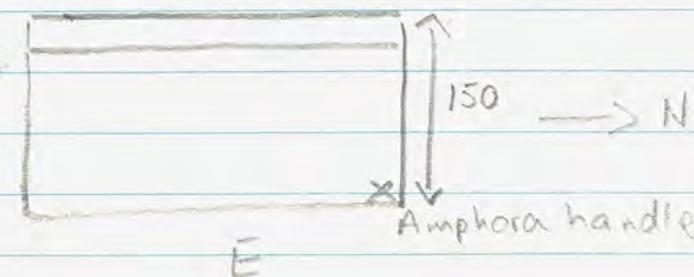
Sounding is to be 1.50 metres wide by the length of the lowest exposed step i.e. 2.40 metres. The exposed stone of the "trough" may get in the way - we'll see.

11.30 am. Work is slow as the floor of the "courtyard" is very hard. Edge of step exposed by 3 cm.

12.20 cm. 10 cm of step now exposed (total depth from surface 110 cm). The area directly in front of the step (approx 70 cm) is much softer than the remainder.



12.25 cm. Stamped amphora handle found in NE corner of sandage 90 cm from surface, 10 cm (approx) depth from step.



23/9/91

- 1 bag pottery W (3) ✓
- 1 bag roof tile W (4)
- 1 bag pottery W (4)

Pottery W (3)

Small amount body sherds, no roof.

Diagnosis

- 1 base rim fragment thick shallow terracotta bowl - incised? circle within
- 1 body sherd large clay pot with handle base
- 1 base fragment - stepped ring of red-painted ware
- 2 rim base fragments small terracotta bowl
- 1 large amphora handle fragment
- 1 handle fragment, burnt
- 1 " " + base - greenish colour
- 1 " stopper"
- 1 body sherd red-painted ware
- 1 base fragment - ring base - black small bowl
- 1 tiny eclinus rim fragment
- 1 " rim fragment of plate / straight-sided vessel
- 2 plain " " large terracotta vessel
- 1 moulded " " flaring out to shoulder, large pot
- 1 burnt body sherd
- 1 decayed rim fragment large clay vessel
- 1 rim fragment (shallow? eclinus interior incised line)
- 1 round handle fragment
- 1 rim fragment terracotta vessel

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87 depth
166, 50

Objects

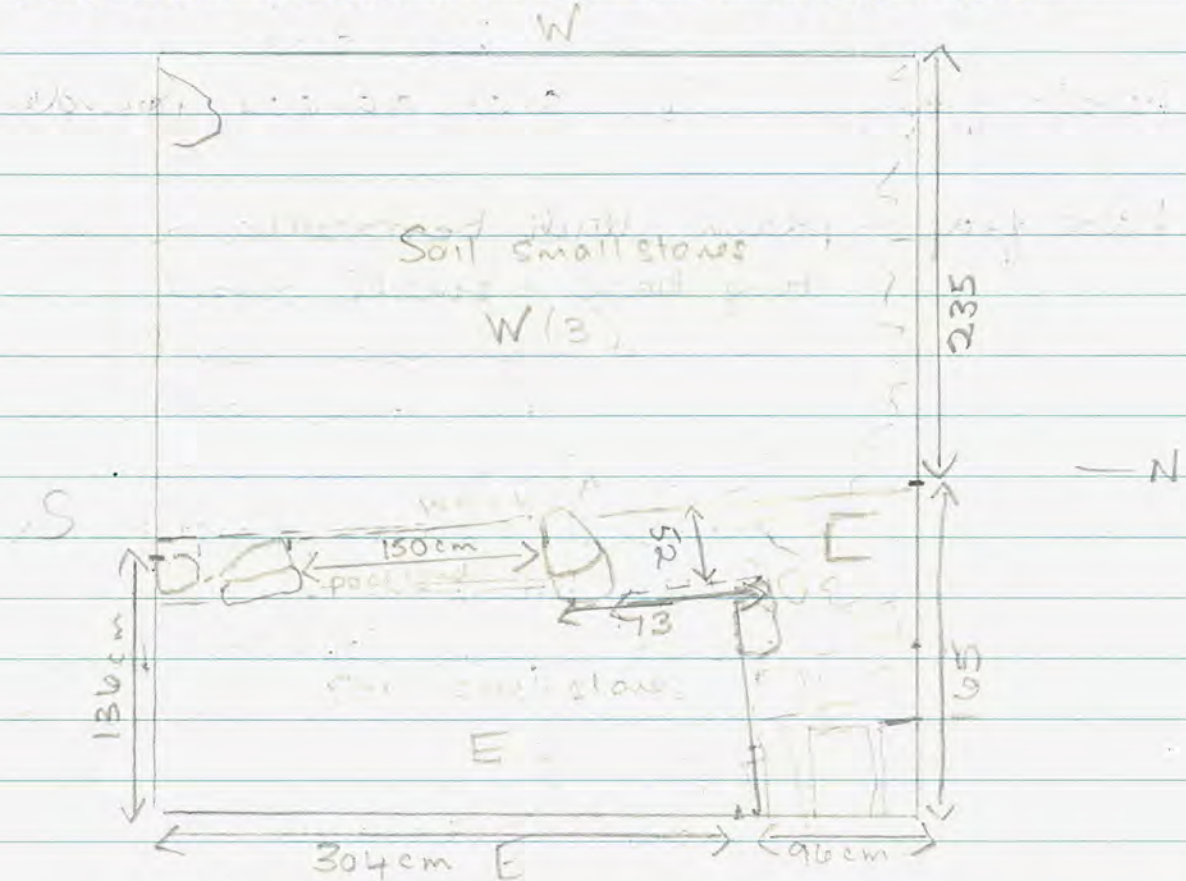
1. coin / button
2. metal pin

23 SEPTEMBER '91

363/1
W (3)

Workers: Douma & crew.

6.15 am. Started work on W (3) - still same soil and small stones over whole area.



7.30 a.m. Work proceeding in W (3). Same soil and stones. Not a great deal of pottery.

10.30 a.m. Southern end of W (3) - large fragment of roof tile with ^{part} marking C + many other fragments. As more tile and pottery emerging we will call this W (4).

11.15 am. Circular metal object (coin? button?) found in W (4) at depth of 87 cm. (see diagram overleaf)

363/1 W(4)

23/9/91

W(4)

Body sherds - medium amount - mainly sherds of large coarseware vessels.

Diagnosics

2 burnt body sherds

1 body sherd - red paint one side

1 " " " " both sides

1 handle fragment  - small diameter, rounder

1 " " " "

1 base frag - plain - thick terracotta vessel

1 " " rim base - small vessel

2 " " " " shallow bowl

1 " " " " bowl/dish terracotta

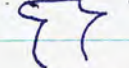
2 " "  thick white clay

1 rim " moulded exterior, flared shoulder 

1 " " plate, burnt

1 " " flared (plate/shallow bowl

1 " " moulded exterior - incised line

1 " " 

2 " " moulded exterior

1 " " red-painted plate/shallow bowl

1 " " flared exterior - red, burnt

1 body sherd red-painted decoration exterior

1 " " greenish clay

1 handle base frag.

W(4) Roof tile

Large amount roof tile fragments, some of which may fit together - bagged separately from

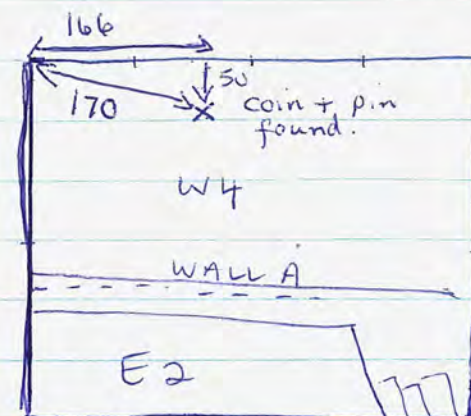
Diagnostic

1 with thickly incised  marking

? 1 " ? groove?

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11.20: tiny metal ? pin found in approximately same location.

12.40. W(4) excavated to depth of ⁹⁵ 115cm. at S. end in SW corner

24/9/91.

1 bag bone.

1 bag pottery (small)

Pottery

Body sherds - small amount

Roof tile 12 fragments, bagged with body sherds.

Diagnostics

1 rim fragment - elegant ledge-shaped exterior with incised line - red-painted ware

1 rim fragment slender & wide ? bowl 

1 " " exterior =  - red/brown, misfiring

1 " "  large terracotta pot

4 burnt body sherds

1 body sherd with ? black paint decoration

1 rim fragment  - incised line

1 base fragment rim base small bowl

1 " " " " large vessel

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24 SEPTEMBER (TUESDAY).

364/2

Steps/sandage.

Workers Husein

Hamid's Mum

Aziza's sister

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Heife

6.15 a.m. Cool, breezy.

Started continuing work on sandage below steps. Will be measuring the depth of the floor which we are digging through. So far at 15 cm it is still there, but some ~~large~~ larger stones are now appearing which may be the foundation of it - fill for the floor.

8.00 Step excavated - 23 cm -

layer of crushed limestone at this level indicates a hard floor at the base of the step - where one would expect it to be.

8.30 Further soil shifting shows floor extending out into courtyard. There is a circular recess up against the northern bank (76 cm from step, 76 cm from bank, 73 cm diameter at widest). Perhaps a stand for a water jar.

We are not proceeding any further with this sandage - stopping at the floor.

Cleaning for photograph. Roll (see PC notes)

12 noon.

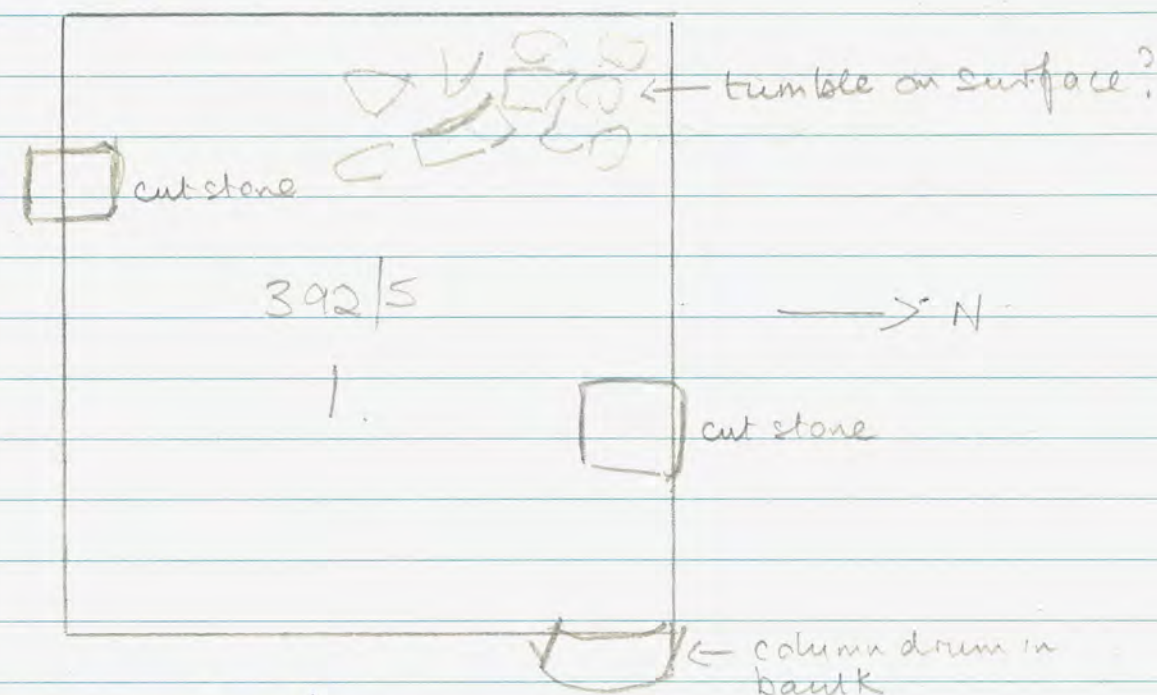
~~the~~ pottery for 392/5. today. 1 small bag. 24/9/91
No diagnostics

24/9/91

392/5

Workers transferred from sandape to new trench
392/5.

9.30 a.m. Began removing surface stones and
soil (stratum 1). There are several large stones
protruding from the edges of this trench - most of them
unfortunately partly in the bank.



No pottery on surface

363/1 W4.

1 bag bone

Object: 1 iron? blade?

24/9/91

Pottery: 2 large bags,

Bag 1.

Body sherds - large amount of small size sherds of coarseware.

Diagnostics

11 burnt body sherds

5 sherds red-glazed ware

3 "stoppers"

1 handle fragment with twisted centre motif  in greenish colour

1 handle fragment  (double-ribbed)

1 body sherd - traces of red and brown design

1 " " greenish clay

3 moulded exterior rim sherds large coarseware pots

1 rim fragment ~~flat~~ coarseware, ledge-shaped interior

1 rim fragments - echinus-terracotta, shallow dish

2 " " red-painted echinus " "

2 rim " plain, incised interior line, burnt

1 " " exterior moulded, large terracotta vessel

1 " " flared } - coarseware

1 " " plain, incised line interior

1 " " } large terracotta vessel

1 " " plain rounded exterior coarseware

1 base of handle fragment

1 body sherd with ?? design (black/brown)

1 base fragment large red-glazed flat dish / plate (ring)

3 " " ring base, coarseware vessels

1 " " black glazed? ring base small bowl

1 " " blackish, ring base, flat / shallow dish

1 " " terracotta ring base

24 SEPTEMBER (TUESDAY)

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W(4).

Workers: Douma etc. Abed away at Halab.

6.15 am. Continuing work on West (4). It's slow work as it's a large "room" (?) measuring 400×235 cm. Still the same amount of soil and small stones. Some pottery, including a nice large ^{2 handle} ~~from~~ with moulded decoration.

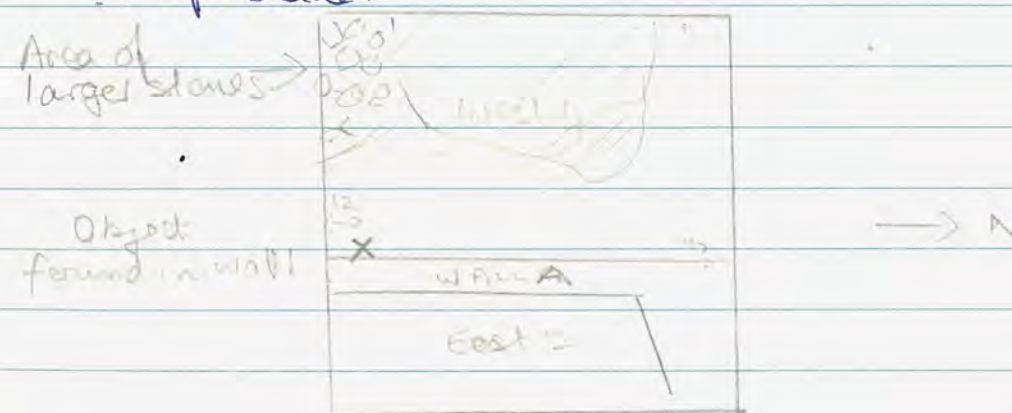
8.00 am. As before ^{much} soil, small stones, some roof tile and pottery.

The western side of the wall A seems better quality as we get deeper

Excavated to depth of 85 cm at NW corner

10 am. Larger ^{stones} ~~rocks~~ now appearing under the soil we are shifting.

10.50 am Iron object found in wall at 102 cm depth 12 cm from corner of wall A and S. bank. ? knife blade?



11.30 am Area of darker soil in W4 (marked above) - quite different from reddish brown soil in rest of area.

24/9/91

Bag 1 continued

- 363/1 W(4)
- 1 base fragment small terracotta bowl
 - 1 " " ring base large terracotta vessel
 - 2 " " ring base coarseware - thick
 - 1 " " " " small dish - red paint decoration?
 - 1 " " " " ?? (coarseware, small) ring base
 - 1 body sherd greenish clay with ? moulded decoration? or handle attachment.
 - 1 Edge-shaped rim (interior ledge) coarseware

Bag 2. - ~~no~~ roof tile.

Approx 55 fragments of terracotta tile - different thicknesses apparent.

10 fragments greenish-clay tile - bagged separately within bag

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11.45 Tried to straighten edges of baulk at southern end but difficult when so many rocks are embedded in it.

The S.W. corner of trench now has many more big stones in it - may be worth sweeping them down tomorrow before removing them. In this small area there is no pottery at all.

12.30 pm. Excavated to depth of 100cm at S.W. corner

Pottery will be listed in HJ's Book 2.
for this day.

25 SEPTEMBER (WEDNESDAY)

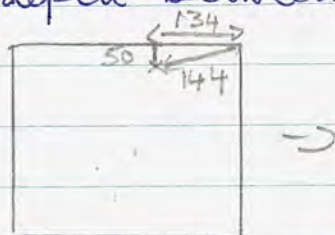
392/5.

Workers: Husaid Hamid-Rum, Aida, Hefle Adle Aziza's sister.

6.15. Continuing ① on this trench - fair amount of soil
exposing trench full of tumble.

7.00. Much more soil around tumble than in 392/3.

9.00 Coin discovered in soil at 12cm depth between
tumble 144 cm from NW corner.



11 a.m. Much soil between rocks making it very hard
to get them clear and clean

1 bag pottery - ~~banches - HJ's corner of trench~~ 392/5 ①

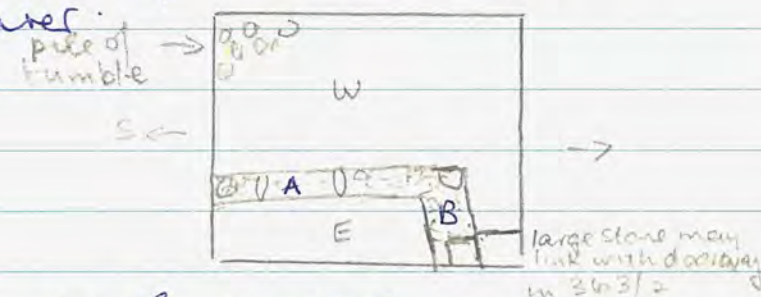
25 SEPTEMBER (WEDNESDAY)

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Workers: Dorna & crew all present.

6.15 a.m. Cleaning down rocks (probably just tumble
in S.W. corner, cleaning down walls and
tidying up northern end of trench. P.C. coming
at 7.00 a.m. to take a look and maybe a photo.
With the change of soil colour in part of the trench I
shall call this W(5).

7.00 a.m. Straightening baulks on northern and western
sides and cleaning out corner of N.E. where there
is a muddle of rocks. As suspected this is a wall
corner and the corner of angle of wall A with
wall B is becoming clearer.

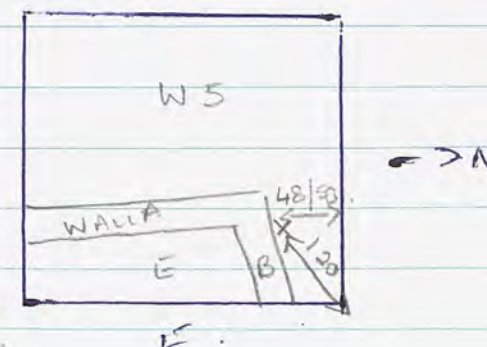


11.15 a.m. Work proceeding slowly on N.E. corner
Wall B is of good quality rubble so far but the
angle is strange

11.30 - 11.45 a.m. bone in N.E. corner

12 noon Began to shift rocks in S.W. corner - mainly large.

12.30 p.m. Fragments (1 larger with ? horse's legs?) and
one possible matching fragment) of hollow terracotta
figurine found in N.E. corner at depth of 105 cm.



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WORKERS

9 September	10	11	12
Hamid	"		
Mohammed	Husein 2		
Azra	"		
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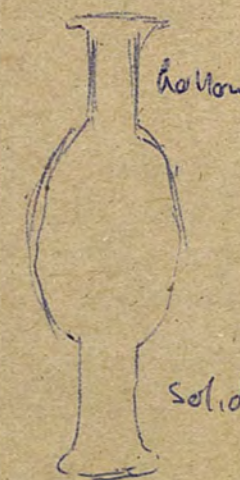
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