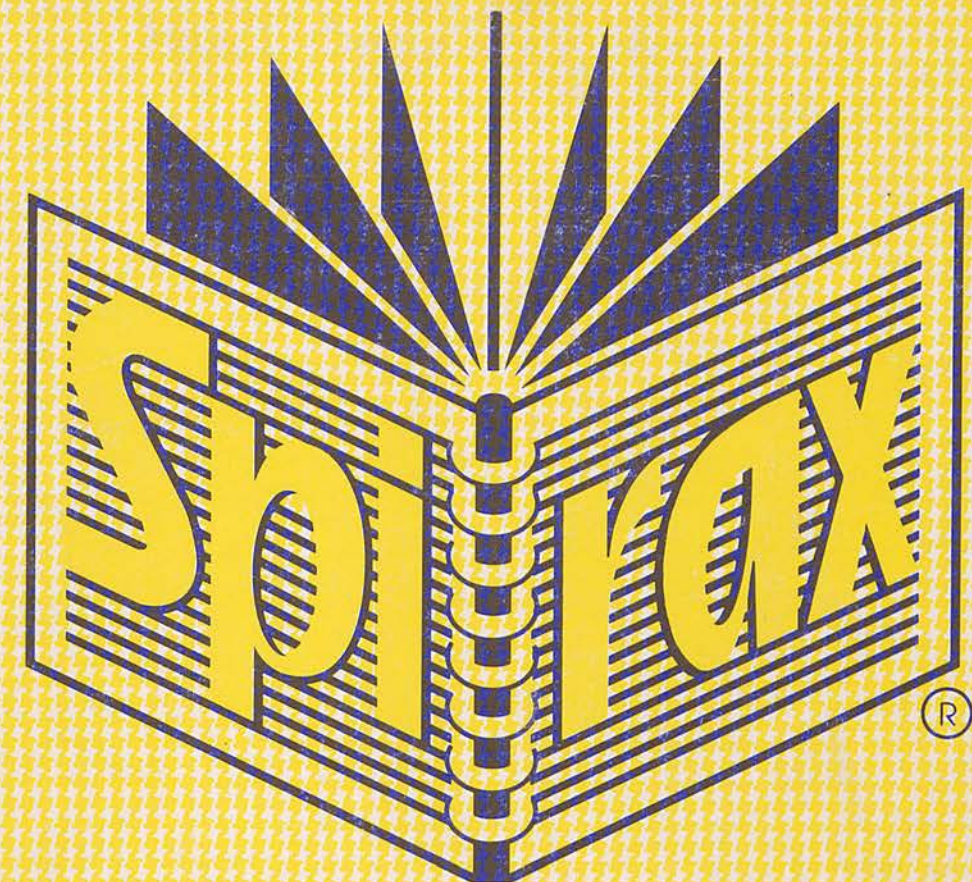


BOOK 2



A4 NOTE BOOK

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Wednesday September 29 1993

392/8-9 baulk

Weather: Still hazy to S

Workers: Hussein, Hussain, Fadia, Fiam, Fawzi, Hosan [Sabha] (7)

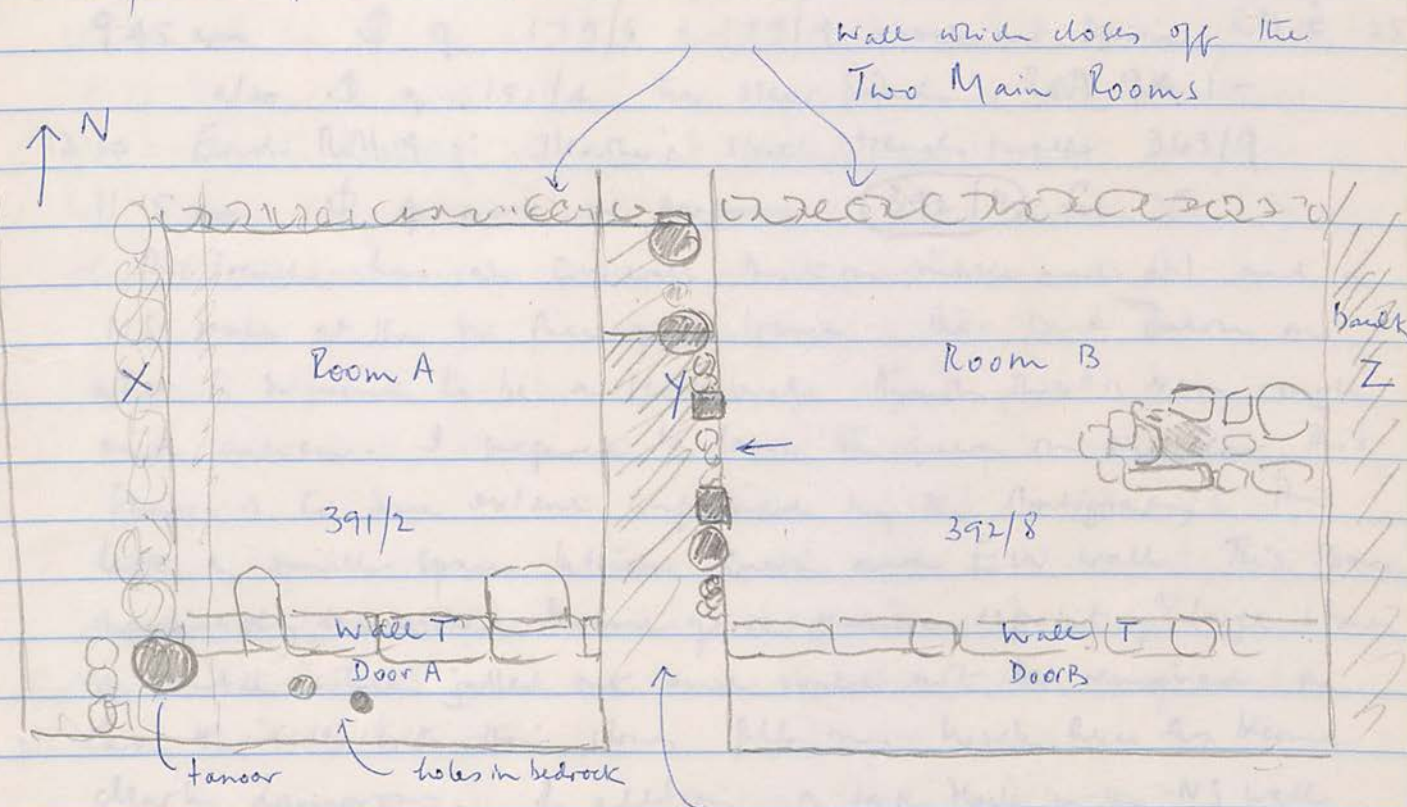
392/8-9 baulk

Work continues on removal of last traces of this baulk

392/8-9 baulk W (3)

8.15 am.

392/8-391/2 baulk.



8.15 am. we begin removing top soil from baulk in order to clarify wall Y between Room A and Room B

As seen from the E Wall is a scrappy mixture of reused column-drums and/or blocks interspersed with rubble. The arrow in Room B points at a section of rubble which juts forward of alignment. Is this rubble within another door?

29.9.93

392/8 - 9 baulk W (3)

Small WC c/w body shed

1 m bag mortar

1 m bag fine sg ball

1 m bag grove net.

29.9.93

392/8 - 391/2 baulk (1)

3 bags m 1 m bag base bag c/w ball

Wednesday 29 September 1993

363/4

workers Yasi, Fatouma (Khalid) (Ali) (Amourna) Halap (Sara) (7)

363/4 (2)

Today we commence removing rubble from the NE corner working W where we expect to meet the continuation of the NS wall (Wall Q) of 363/5

The position of this supposed extension of to S of Wall Q is not evident on the surface rubble

It continues to be uncertain

11.15 on the E of the trench no wall is observed. We start to clear around another layer of rubble to see if any clues emerge

9.45 am. Φ of 179/6 + 179/9 road out basin R11 10, -25

also Φ of 151/4 the steps trench. Cost 9.00, 1-

12.30 End R11.9: Heather's street trench work 363/9

11.15 am. Φ of work in progress (392/2) from E

This trench has an EW wall built on rubble and soil and a NS wall at the W face of the trench. There is a queen on what is presumed to be a floor level though this is very rough and uneven. I preferred to leave the queen on this floor. This floor is to some extent confirmed by the stratigraphy. This left a small space between queen and EW wall. This space increasingly diminished because of a massive deposit of large stones of rubble which jugged out and could not be removed in case the sides with their stones fill in. Work here has become clearly dangerous. In addition a large block in the NS wall, part of an unfluted column drum, tips forward a little and looks as though it would fall.

Please consider whether work can proceed here

29.9.93 364/4 (2)

Small wt c/w body frags

1 rim frag echinus

1 simple rim frag of fine rg bowl

2 rim frags of bowls

2 base ring frags

1 rim frag large bowl out-turned slightly thickened

29.9.93 363/4 (2) base 2

medium wt c/w body sherds

2 rim frags mortaria

14 rim frags c/w jars

3 rim frags echinus

2 rim frags fishplate

16 base ring frags

2 base ring frags large rg plates

5 handle frags

1 rim frag semi worn by wave grooves ext

2 body frags cooking ware

6 body frags rg

29.9.93 363/4 (2)

larger wt c/w body sherds

8 rim frags fish plate 1 mortarium frag

1 rim frag cooking ware 1 rim base frag rg plate

1 mortarium rim frag 1 rim base frag fish plate

19 rim frags c/w jars

3 amphora toe frags

6 rim frag echinus 1 rim frag green glaze echinus

body frags rg 1 rim base frag rg bowl

1 body frag ribbed neck b. paint

10 handle frags - one with concave rim

28 base ring frags 3 string cut base frags

Thursday 30 September 1993

363/4 (2)

Weather: fine, still, hazy to south

Workers: Yazi, Fatoume, [Chalid] Halay, Sara, [Ali] [Amouna]

363/4 (2)

Work continues on clearing the tangle in the E half and at the S of the W half of the trench.

At the NW 'quarter', we left untouched the first layer of tangle since this is more or less in alignment with wall Q of 364/5. We worked from E westward toward it but have hesitated to go further.

I note that in 363/5 wall Q is preserved to different heights. At the N the highest block is just below top soil whereas at the S the preserved height of wall Q is barely 2 courses. It is therefore unlikely that we would find the S extension of wall Q (these 2 courses) just below top soil. However if we clear everything else we might find some more positive clues to the next procedure.

8.30 am. a small house with

low stratum 2 at the S end of the trench

7.25 am
Clearing of tangle continues. At the S central there seem to be more soil (a greater deposit of soil) than at a comparable level across the trench. There are many fist-sized chunks of limestone

30.9.93 364/4 (2)

Large wt c/w body sherds

1548 frags ring base

3 rim frags fin plate

1 amphora toe frag

7 rim frags c/w jars

1 base frag rg plate

1 base frag unguentarium

5 rim frags mortaria

14 handle + handle root frags.

2 rim frags large c/w jars bowls

3 rim frags fin plate

1 rim frag outlined semi lustrous bg

Thursday 30 September 1993

392/8 - 391/2 baulked dipse - blue - 200

As we proceed carefully this morning we find that, working at the W of Wall Y, Wall Y is not very wide. Beneath the stones of at the W lies a good deal of soil and when we probe further it is clear that the wall is the thickness of the large blocks that appear on the E side just at the edge of the baulk.

In other words, the thickness of Wall Y is equal quite to the reused column at the N end of Rooms A and B. This makes me wonder again whether we have removed between the two column drums (both fluted) ~~small~~ small stones that in fact originally formed part of this various 'mixed technique' wall.

There is still the problem that the 'interstices' between the large blocks the smaller stones just forward of what may be called the alignment of this wall.

From just above the floor a body and rim handle frag of c/w pot (and next to the wall

7.25 am.

As we work from the south fluted column southwards the first section of the wall is clear and it preserves the alignment with, jutting forward i.e. the rubble section between the fluted column and the ashlar block to the S. After the ashlar block it is clear that there is a depth of soil above the floor (at least 40cm + 45 in places). This seems to confirm that there is a door in this location. The S doorpost is more clearly visible on the E side of the wall. The width of this door would be 0.94m. Note that fluted columns are unique for doorposts.

30.9.93 392/8 - 391/2 bank (2/3)

Small lot of c/w bag frags

1 rim frag extensive hwt.

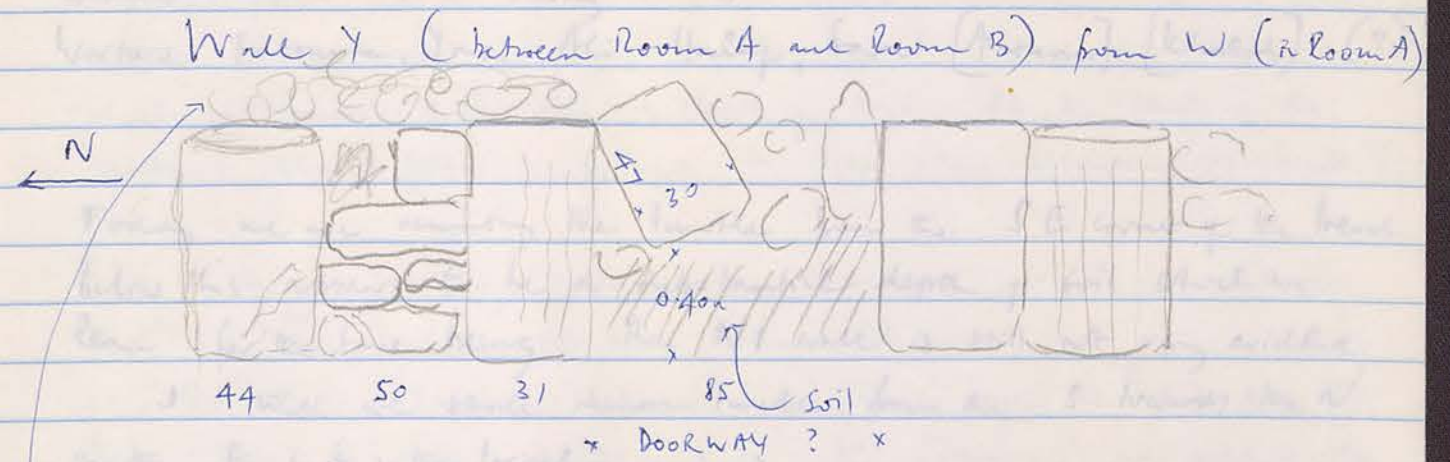
1 rim frag and ring handle frag. One bag

30.9.93 392/8 - 391/2 bank S (1)

3 frags inc 1 rim frag. shrapnel outturn

30 September 1993

392/8 - 391/2 bank



The tanour in Room B is opposite the doorway
7.50 we are still working at the S end of wall 7 but the structure is now generally clear.

There is still rubble above these stones. Remove? leave?

9.30 am ϕ Roll 10, -8

of wall sketched above. First cut to show remainder of bank at S in relation to width of Wall Y. Other shots from W. The area will be fully cleaned when completed and further photographs will be taken.

Work then begins on removing top soil from this bank which stretches over Wall T to the S edge of the trenches 392/8 and 391/2

after break on Sat. + Sun

Monday 4 October 1993

363/4

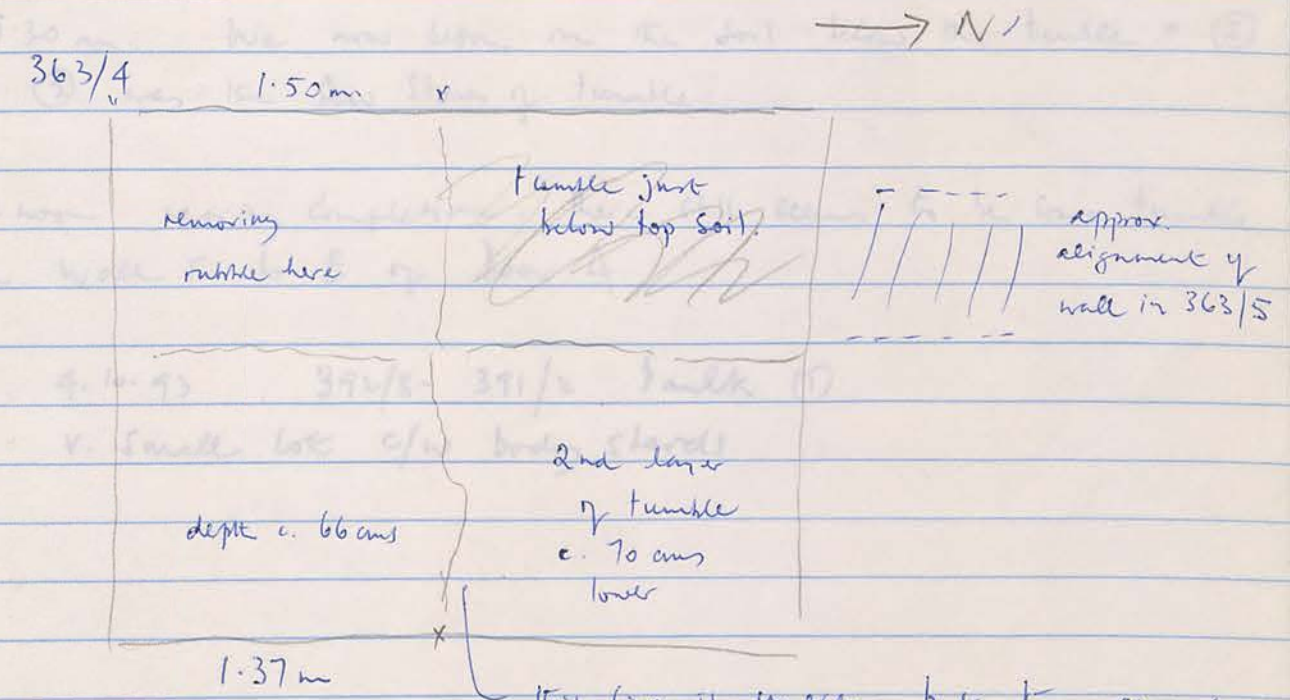
weather: fine still heavy to S

Workers Fatouma, Yazid, Ali, Italy, Sara (Amouna) (Chelid) (7)

Today we are removing the tumble from the SE corner of the trench below this appears to be a substantial depth of soil which we leave for the time being. The NS wall is still not very evident

↓ There we shall remove tumble from the S towards the N in the E part of the trench

7.55 In the SE sector the soil is c. 66 cms down from the soil surface in the SE corner. As we work down to this level there is clearly no structure to the W since soil and large chips of limestone emerge from the deposit to the N there is more tumble below the soil level than has emerged in the E.



this line is uneven but here appears to be more tumble (or wall blocks) beneath it. After clearing S portion of trench to this level which we shall concentrate on the soil.

Monday 4 October 1993

392/8 - 391/2 bank ①

Work began here for a short time last Thursday. Today we continue with removing top soil. Beneath it there are large blocks of tumbled and then a depth of soil. At the level of the tumbled there seems to be no in situ stones belonging to Wall T

7:30 we are working through this soil now which is next to the N's ^(chilly) wall which divides Rooms A and B

The whole structure between N's wall and the E door post of Room A is rather insubstantial: the stones are at odd angles and there is much soil beneath them, resting on the stylobate. This is all very puzzling, but compare the tumbled which appears between the doorway of Room A (= Door A). This also is random at least in that it juts to N of the stylobate

The only deliberate rubble structure on the stylobate is E of wall Y in Room B and then E of the E doorpost of Room B

9:30 am. We now begin on the soil below the tumbled = ③
② was the few stones of tumbled

12 noon nearly completion. There still seems to be some tumbled on wall T to E of Door A.

4.10.93 392/8 - 391/2 bank ①

v. small lot c/w body sherds

4.10.93

392/8 - 391/2 track ③

Small wt c/w body shell

1 base ring frag.

1 rim frag. of fine brick.

Monday 4 October 1983

363/4

9.30 am

In clearing down to the soil stratum we have crossed the alignment of wall Q of 363/5. The soil 'floor' is nice and level from E to 0.64 from W face of trench.

The soil we are reaching is very soft

11.50 a bronze coin from the W end of the S area. The coin is found at the interface of tangle and soft brown soil therefore perhaps should be designated ②/③. I guess it is more likely to come from the top of ③ rather than the bottom of ② = tangle.

Also a small fine frag. rod of glass.

12 noon. Clearing away the last of the excavated soil from the W end. The trench at the S is excavated to the same level approximately.

Quite a lot of bone today. from the area

10.15 am a small lump of iron from ③

4.10.93 363/4 (2)

Large lot c/w bag sheds

7 base ring frags c/w bowls

1 ring base frag rg bowl

1 rounded base frag

4 rim frags mortaria

19 rim frags c/w jars

4 rim frags semi coarse jars

2 rim frags coarse bowls (thick fabric)

4 rim frags echinus

12 handle / handle root frags

1 base frag rg plate

1 rim frag fine plate

1 simple rim frag fine bowl

7 body frags cooking ware

1 rim frag semi coarse bowl outturned

1 rim frag fine rg bowl

simple rim

Tuesday 5 October 1993

392/8 - 391/2 bank

Workers Hussein, Husein, Hosen, Fathi Fawzi Sabha Fadwa?

Final cleaning of wall of 391/2 where clearing rubble working on substantial deposit of soil covered the wall blocks above the foundation course of Wall T to E of Door A. This reveals a few fumbled stone in the SE corner of Room A which we proceed to remove.

We will now proceed to bank E of 392/8 and 392/9 in order to expose the whole of Room B.

6.50 am. we began the new bank by removing top soil.

392/8 - 392/5

392/9 - 392/6

8.30 work has concentrated at the N end of the bank and has revealed the E boundary of Room B at this point. There is very little pottery from the bank so far but we are actually working in (2) at the moment. The face of the wall that provides S boundary of the Two Main Rooms has not been revealed. Work proceeds from N to S.

12 noon. It has transpired that at the N end of the bank all material has been removed from (1) to (3), thus no doubt preserving the bank to the S in its entirety to allow passage for disposal of soil. The wall bounding E side of Room B is very clear.

5.10.93 392/9 E bank (1)-(3)

Small wt c/w body frags

1 small bag green or large Bov (see 6.10.93)

3 rim frags c/w jars

1 rim frag c/w large bowl

4 rim frags echinus

1 base ring frag.

1 handle frag

Tuesday 5 October 1993

363/4

Workers, Yazi, Fatouma, (Khalid) Ali (Amour) Itlaf (Sara) (7)

Today we commence work on the soft light brown soil at the S portion of the trench. I call this today Stratum (3) though looking at the stratigraphy of the W wall (at the S) there appears to be a band of grayish soil above the present deposit. We are working on this soil deposit in order to see if a wall emerges either beneath it or within the tumble to the N.

It quickly becomes apparent that the soil has a heavy admixture of fist-sized chunks of limestone.

7:10 am. After completing one pass, we begin again on the E side. Light brown soil with heavy admixture of limestone chips. There seems no difference in this deposit from the last pass. I therefore retain (3).

Move to centre of trench there could be larger blocks of tumble.

At the E end a further deposit of tumble seems to be appearing.

9:30 am Small frag of marble with head end. red? Moving towards the centre of the trench, the top of an orange-brown Stratum begins to appear. We keep working towards the W. We will work down to the red, then probably remove the tumble in the N sector of the trench.

11:40 reasonable iron nail.

The E-W wall seems to have been located. In the deposit near it is a heavy admixture of limestone chips. The upper level of wall is quite equal to the red soil level. Above the wall is now a thick deposit which we will remove to W end of trench. Approx 1:30 pm down from soil surface at that point.

2.10.93 - 3.10.93

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5.10.93

363/4 S (3)

- medium cot c/w body sherds
- 1 rim frag echinus
- 4 rim frags cooking ware
- 1 rim frag small mortarum
- 1 doz body frags cooking ware
- 8 rim base frags
- 2 rim base frags ring bowls
- 2 rim frags semi coarse bowls
- 1 rim frag c/w jar bowl red part at rim

Wednesday 6 October 1993

Weather fine clear cool to begin

392/8-9 E bank

Workers Hussein, Hussein, Sabha, Fadwa, Flaim, Fawza, Hosna (7)

Work continues on N end of bank clearing wall join of E wall of Room B and the S wall of the Two Room Complex.

392/9 E bank

8.15 am From above the floor in the N portion of this bank many large fragments of a coarse ware pot: the fabric has a pronounced greenish tinge. This pottery kept separate. Here are

9.55 The bank is now being removed opposite the stone built tower. At the moment there does not seem to be an extension of the tower to the E. That is, it is not related to a wall.

6.10.93 392/8-9 E bank (1)-(3)

- large cot greenish / brown c/w body sherds
 - + diagnostics
 - + one or two other frags
- One Dag

5.10.93

392/8 - 391/2 final clean
5A c/w brick shards

Wednesday 6 October 1993

363/4

Workers Yazir Fatouma, [Chelid] Halay, [Anouma] Sara || Ali 3 (7)

The E face of the NS wall has been located. Today we begin to remove the remaining soil from above the wall before removing more rubble in the N section of the trench.

That is we are working at the SW corner of the trench. The deposit is light brown soil with numerous limestone chips. This deposit is hard; it lies immediately below the considerable depth of rubble. Still stratum (3)

8 am. The deposit is very hard indeed with fist sized chunks of limestone very hard-packed. The upper surface of the wall is not apparent at this time. There is pottery mixed in this stony deposit.

A fragment of wall plaster with red paint comes from this deposit also some fragments of tiles plus another larger fragment.

9.30 At the SW corner we have excavated level with the upper course of the E NS wall. The inside and outside faces are just visible; the width of the wall is c. 82 cms. At the S wall of the trench the wall is preserved 1 to 2 courses higher than further N. Above the level of the wall the stratigraphy shows a layer of ashy gray soil varying 7 to 12 cms deep with fleeces of carbon. Below that is the reddish deposit with limestone. Above the ashy gray is a thin reddish deposit then a further stratum of fine soil which is slightly gray.

Above this second gray is approx 1m of light brown soil mixed with rubble; large pieces near the surface and smaller further down.

6.10.93 392/8 - 9 E bank (1-3)

Small wt c/w brick shards

1 rim frag clay w.

2 rim frag c/w jars

1 rim frag simple bowl red paint int + ext rim

1 rim frag fin-plate

1 rim base frag

6 October 1993

363/4

At 9:30 am we begin on removing the upper level of tumbled in the NW area of the trench. This area will be brought down to the second layer of tumbled currently revealed in the NE area of the trench.

I call this new area (2) and change over after + done

Below the upper surface of tumbled, the light brown soil has a heavy deposit of fine-sized chunks of limestone and other smaller limestone chips. More tumbled lies below.

6.10.93

(363/4) (3)

1 large lot c/w heavy chert

5 mm base frags

3 handle frags

1 amphora toe frag

3 mm frags c/w jars

1 mm frag fine plate

6 mm frag smaller bowls w. r. paint

1 mm frag single rim

6.10.93 363/4 W (2)

medium Lt c/w brick chert

54 rim frags mortaria

8 rim frags c/w jars

1 amphora toe frag

3 rim frags firm plate (groove mt)

17 ring base frags

4 rim frags ephines

1 frag clay bonweight

7 handle frags

1 @ ring base frag rg bowl

1 small body frag cooking ware

body frag rg bowl

1 rim frag c/w bowl outflange thickened horizontal

1 rim base frag small grey ware bowl

Thursday 7 October 1993

392/8-9 E bank

Weather cool fine

Workers: Hussain, Hussain son, Fadwa, Hossain, Fatin

392/8 E bank.

Work has progressed into square 8 and we will be clearing the W face of the wall that joins 392/5 where wall collapse has caused the E face of the wall to disappear almost completely.

To the E of the stone built tanour is more evidence of gray soil. The structure does not reach to the E wall + Room B and the presence of gray soil scattered around confirms that there was a space between tanour and wall.

Against E wall Room B, more or less in the middle of the room is a patch of quite black ashy soil which must be the location of a tanour.

As we scrape and remove the black soil in order to see the dimensions, since there does not appear to be the usual surround of baked clay, some stones emerge and also the glass bezel of a finger ring. Call it stratum (4) - black soil.

The stones are rather random
the circumference is not 'firm' it means 33 cm to NS and 40 cm from the E wall of Room B

7 October 1993

363/4

Workers - Yazid, Fatouma, Amouna, [Sara], Halap, [Ali] [Khalid] (7)

363/4

Continue working on (2) at NW area. There is much light brown soil mixed with the tumble. The deposit is not much higher now than that in the NE area. Soon be able to sweep across the total N 'half'.

9:20 am At the W, at a depth of c. 1 m we have reached a deposit of soil beneath the tumble. Having this, we proceed E on the tumble in that area - after attending to straightening the bank at the W.

By the end of work the pit at the N is levelled off to a deposit of soil - not quite a stretch at the E

11:45 Frag of figurine? or lamp?

7.10.93 363/4 (2)

Working back of pit, clearing area down to original level c/w heavy shovels

At 10:30 am about the 1st 6 m level found the deposit is a boundary with the bank above it. The marking of level line on the left. However, the third stratum level from the E there appears to be a thin bank (nothing more) beneath. This is also the case here and there along the outer face of the stratum.

The floor of Room 3 is very uneven (at present) but this is due to former work.

9:30 am work on straightening the floor

7.10.93 363/4 ②

1 large c/w brick sheds

2 rim frags ecdysis

1 rim frag c/w bowl

12 rim frags c/w jars

2 base frags fin plate

1 rim frag large c/w bowl

2 amphora toe frags

7 rim frags mortar

5 handle frags various

2 rim frags fin plate

27 rim base frags

1 base frag rg plate

1 rim frag simple rg bowl

1 rim frag rg bowl thickened + grooved int.

1 string cut base frag

Saturday 9 October 1993

392/8 - 1 E baulk.

Workers Fudwa, Hossen, Hussein, Fatin, Farza, Sabba (6)

Working actually on the E baulk of 392/8 where we have exposed the SE corner of Room B. The E wall of Room B has collapsed at the corner so we do not actually have the joint. Wall T at the E side beneath the baulk is composed of 3 very worn large stones, one of which is the recessed column drum which was partly obvious in 392/8.

The column drum is fluted; it does not rest directly on the stylobate. At the inside face the column drum has its hole centred for attachment to its contiguous drum (!)

From near the tannour comes a small fragment of painted wall plaster (red).

The E wall of Room B leans inside or it pushed forward by some pressure; the outside stones have fallen since they were excavated last season.

Work and concentrates on finishing touches of general cleaning within Room B and then removal of baulk S of the stylobate. The stylobate ends with Room B.

As I scrape against the stylobate inside Room D, the deposit is a powdery white limestone with small chips as if the working of limestone on the spot. Beneath the third stylobate block from the E there appears to be another block (levelling course) beneath. This is also the case here and there along the outer face of the stylobate.

The floor of Room B is very uneven (at present) but this is where the tannour rests.

9.30 we work on straightening the floor.

? 9

? 7.10.93 392/8-9 E bank ①-③

small-medium wt c/w brick sherds

3 m frags c/w jars

2 m frags echinus

5 m base frags

body frags of bowl

9.10.93 392/8-9 bank ④ tower

v. small wt c/w sherds

4 m frags c/w jar

✓✓✓ 9.10.93 392/8-9 bank ①-③

medium wt c/w brick sherds

1 m frags c/w jar

2 m base frags

1 m base frags of bowl

1 m frags mortarium

1 body frags cooking ware

1 m frags from plate

2 m frags echinus

1 m frags simple rim red paint

Saturday 9 October 1993

363/4

workers Yazir, Fatouma, Amourna, [Khalid] Sara, Halaq, [Ali]

Today we are completing removal of the tumble deposit working at the E end of the N area of the trench.

On completion we will start again from the W on the deposit that seems to be largely soil (to judge from the surface).

We work first then on the remains of stratum ②

9.30 am We begin on ③ working from W to E

There is tumble beneath the surface of the soil deposit which is variably 48 cm or 28 cm deep above the extent surface of the N3 wall.

1.14 m down from surface soil at W of trench

0.68 m down from surface soil at E of trench

At approx 1.20 m down from soil surface at W a large well-dressed block is revealed which presumably is laid across the wall; its length is the wall's width (probably) = 0.80 m. It is preserved at a higher level than the trace of the wall at the S of the trench but varying heights of preservation are also true of this same wall in 363/5

E of the wall the soil is soft and almost powdery and we cut down a few centimetres below the level of the block just

12 noon a small stone disc from ③

9.10.93 363/4 @

Smallish c/w body sherds

2 handle neck frags

1 rim frag mortarium

2 ring base frags

7 rim frags c/w jars

1 rim frag cooking ware

1 rim frag rg semi-cover bowl

1 rim frag fire plate

Sunday 10 October 1993

363/4

363/4

weather very cold N wind at first getting warmer

workers [Yazi] Futouma [Khalid] Halajj [Ali] Sava [Amroun]

Working today E of the NS cross wall towards the E bank
Still in (3) fine powdery light brown soil. here is some
tumble just to E of wall

8 am. two bronze coins seen (3) mid trench at about
depth of bottom of upper course of the NS wall
depth from surface soil 1.15m at 1.90 from NE corner
along the N bank

There is no sign so far of an EW aligned wall

Fragment of tile in the depositing
Stratum (3) is actually a reddish brown when first cut.
Beneath this stratum is a darker soil which is already
apparent at the S of the trench

8.45 am frag. to R of the upper body + rim female (?)

frag of tile (corr tile) BOV

11.50 broken and bent bronze Epistola

L113

179/6 E cut (as per plan)

179/6 with fine white surface

178/5 with thin grey surface

and wall in the trench

10.10.93 363/4 (3)

- 9 8 rim frags ebrines
- 1 rim frag fishplate
- 4 rim frags semi coarse plate/bowl
- 11 rim frags c/w ~~br~~ jars
- 9 8 handle frags
- 5 4 rim frags mortaria
- 7 ring base frags
- 1 ring base frag fishplate
- 2 ring base frags rg plate
- 2 rim frags cooking ware
- 1 ring base frag lg
- 2 rim frags c/w bowls large
- 1 rim frag grooved ext.

Sunday 10 October 1993

392/5 - 392/6 baulk (low + wind) (7)
workers: Hussein, Hussein, Fudwa, Hosen, Flamin, Farza Sabha

392/5 This trench was cleaned down and the wall at the W uncovered. This wall has suffered rotting since it was excavated and the ~~W~~ E face of it is largely missing except for one or two courses at the foundation.

The meeting of this wall and Wall T of Room B shows that Wall T with its well-cut stylobate abuts the wall which closes the E boundary of Room B and that this wall continues further S past the

392/5 - 392/6 baulk

In order to clear the wall between 392/5 - 392/6 we began to remove the baulk starting from the N in 392/6. Previously it was clear that a wall appeared in the baulk of 392/5. This like other walls in 392/5 has been rotted away. Coming at it from 392/6 should clarify its position and perhaps also reveal whether there is a door in the NE corner of 392/5 where there is an unpluted column drum on its side and a substantial block placed vertically

12 noon ϕ of 179/9 - 151/7 rock cut basin
and Roll 12

also ϕ of 179/6 E ext (as best I could)
Roll 13, ϕ of 178/6 with semi circular structure
178/5 with sharp 'cut' on bed rock at S
and wall in W face

10.10.93 392/5

cleaning floors + walls

v. small wt c/w body shards

1 ring base frag.

2 rim frag bowls (various) red paint

Monday 11 October 1993

392/5 - 392/6 bank

While removing the bank the rounded base of a large c/w jar was discovered in situ. This was cleaned and photographed

R01 14, 14-15 and then removed.

Work proceeds on removing the bank. The wall dividing 392/5 and 392/6 is very flimsy (now).

Work on the bank

of the large transverse bank previously mentioned 392/5 & 392/6

is now revealed

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Close to the wall at the N. a small E.g. 50 cm

11.10.93 full of small transverse chips and produced large

392/5 - 6 bank (1) - (3)

medium-large wt c/w body shards

2 rim frag c/w jars redder and full of large shards

1 rim frag mortarium and flange fragments full rim

1 amphora toe frag

4 ring base frag indication why there has been a difference

1 shims cut base frag again many fragments of the

1 rim frag. echinus from the external upper border of the

1 handle ring + ribbed wreath by

2 handle frags only the base but there has been

1 rim frag fine by bowl groove + incised lines ext

A very large number of these again today

Monday 11 October 1993

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workers [Yari] Fatouma [Khalid] Halaf [Ali] Anouar, Sara

In the SE corner is a mud tumble. Elsewhere across this level the soil is looser. E of the NS wall we are several below the preserved top of the wall. Central in the trench at this level many fragments of iron = 2 or more iron nails

Mud tile fragment of the large transverse block previously mentioned 39 cm in depth if now needed

Still more small fragments of tiles

This stratum is designated (3)

Close to the wall at the N a stretch E of = 50 cm the deposit is full of small limestone chips and powdered limestone. In the NE quarter the soil is very loose and powdery right up to limestone chip area. This is very light brown.

At the S the soil is redder and full of large stones of tumbled white sharp edged and therefore represents fill rather than tumbled.

8:45 am. There is no indication why these two sections differ. Against the wall (central) again many fragments of tile. A depth of only 16 cm from the extant upper surface of the wall. We are working from S to N against the wall face. Against the wall not only tile fragments but some fist-sized chunks of sharp edged white limestone.

* A very large amount of lime again today

11.10.73

363/4 (3)

1 large wt c/w brick sherds

2 rim frags mortaria

6 handle frags

3 rim frag echinus

7 rim frags c/w jars

Tuesday 12 October 1973

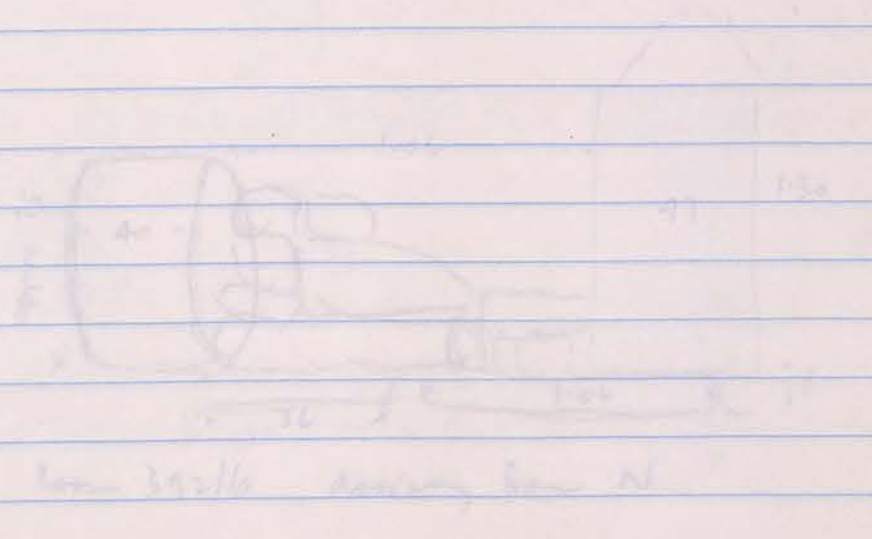
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workers Yazir Fatouma Amour Halaf (Sara) (Khadid) (Ali) (7)

Work continues in the NE corner where we reached from the wall at W by yesterday. Below this level appears to be a darker more powdery soil. From this point we shall work towards the S on the same level. At the NE corner of the trench this is a depth of 1.20 m.

11 am. Work completed across this pass we began in the NW corner E of the wall. This stratum = (4)

Bedrock seems close below, at least close to the wall.



Tuesday 12 October 1993

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392/5 - 6 bank

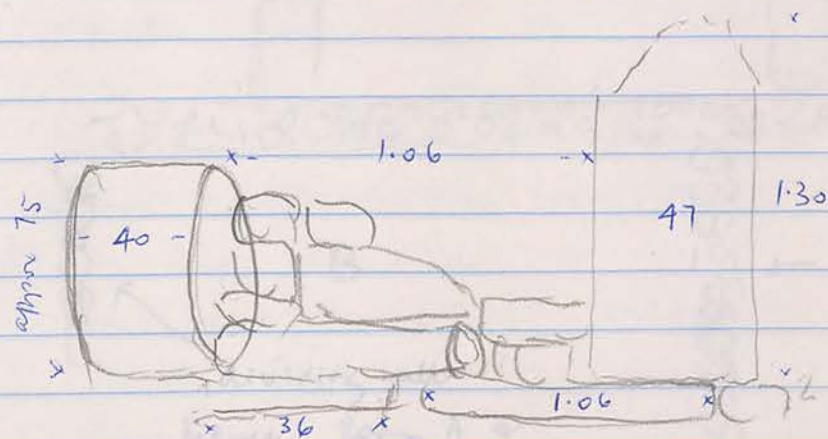
Today work concentrates on the SE corner of the track. There is clearly a door from 392/5 to 392/6. At the west the doorjamb is a large dressed block $1.30 \times 47 \times 54$. It rests on a rubble foundation.

At the E is a column drum. Between the two doorposts some rubble masonry is emerging but there is also a great deal of soil which winds away easily leaving one course of rubble wall next to the rectangular jamb and perhaps 4 courses next to the E jamb.

The E jamb does not seem to be aligned with a NS wall which is a little further to the E to judge from the wall in the W bank of 392/2. This wall continues into 392/3 and finishes or it abuts the S closing wall of the Two Main Rooms.

Following completion, general cleaning of all this area will be commenced.

9.30 am. Lot 15, 1-11 of 392/5 + 392/6 in Sun



Room 392/6 doorway from N

12.10.73

392/5 - 6 bank ① - ③

Small lot c/w body sherds

2 ring base frags

1 handle frag

1 rim frag echinus

1 rim frag plain rim

Wednesday 13 October 1973

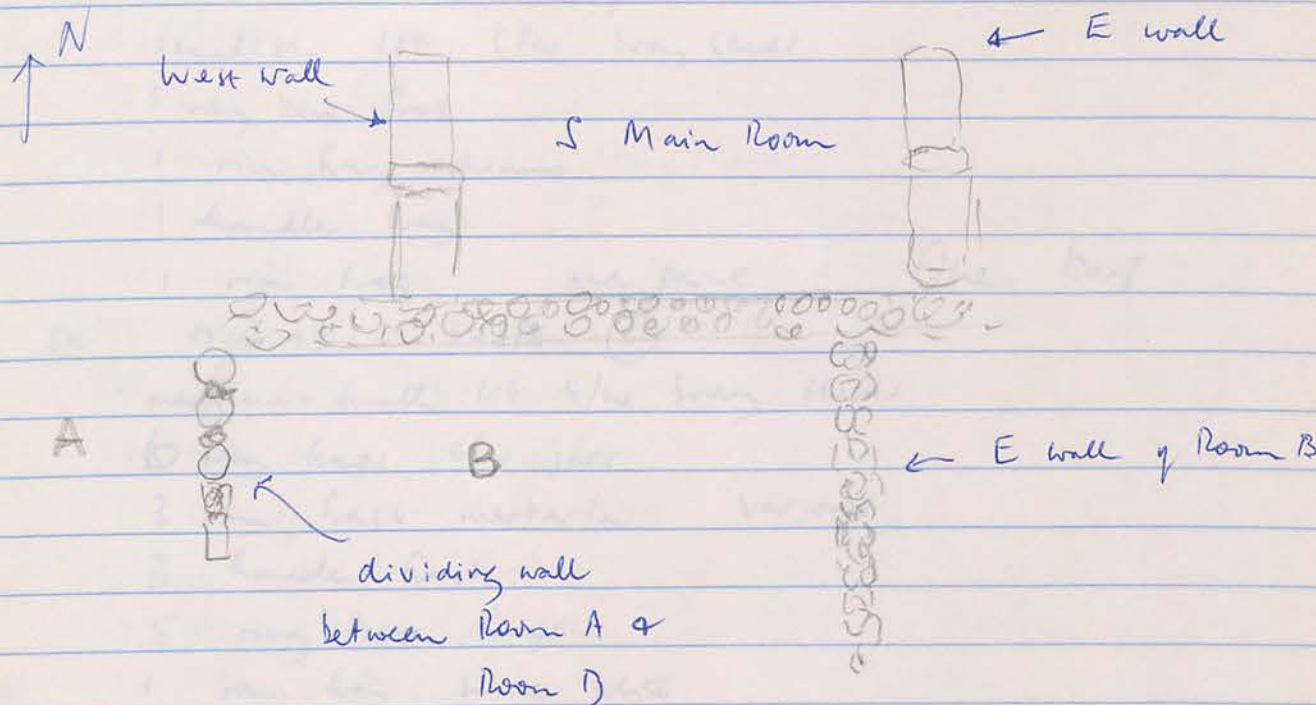
Rooms A + B and 392/5 and 392/6

φ Roll 16 to try to capture the important aspects without shadow just as it became light enough, I hope

Note that in the 'central' doorway between Rooms A and B there is a row of small stones between the jambs and placed along the floor. These can be seen in Room A and also in Room B. Therefore there must be a double course of these stones between the jambs. There is a pinkish tinge to these stones on both sides most prominently on the W in Room A. In Room A there are few stones clearly visible and above them is soil to a depth of 25 cms. with a couple of small stones imbedded in it to N and S.

The stones laid on the floor must be some kind of threshold

Note alignment of walls



Wednesday 13 October 1993

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Workers Yazid, Fatouma, Amrouna Halaf (Khalid) (Sara) (Ali) (7)

At the E of the NS wall (which is the only feature of this trench, we have encountered bedrock. The extent wall is only two courses high at the most.

Working from W to E we bring the trench down to the level of the bedrock. However it seems that the bedrock slopes quickly away so we will try to follow this in the time remaining.

Designate this (5)

By 7:30 am. very little pottery in contrast to previous days' large amounts which must have represented a floor

13.10.93

363/4 1ous west of wall

1 smallish lot c/w body sherd

1 ring base frag

1 rim frag echinus

1 handle frag

1 rim frag red paint

One bag

JIC 13.10.93 363/4 (5)

medium-small lot c/w body sherd

5 rim frags c/w jars

3 rim frags mortaria Various

3 handle frags

5 ring base frags

1 rim frag small plate

3 rim frags echinus

Wednesday 13 October 1993

Team 2 364/5

Husein Hossain Hossain, Sabha, Fadwa, Ftahim Fawza (7)

After clearing round the entrance steps to the N Main Room, we probe a little more in the area excavated at the foot of the bottom step.

The bottom step is built on soil. Some pottery comes from this area.

The deposit is a light brown soil mixed with chips of limestone including some fist sized chunks.

Designate (A)

3 am. still cloudy sun hidden

At a level below bottom step, some very large rubble
rubble stones

13.10.93

364/5 (A)

smaller lot c/w body sherds

6 rim frags echinus (one 1 gray ware)

2 handle frags

4 B rim frags small plates

3 A rim frags c/w jars

10 ring base fragments

1 string cut base frag.

1 amphora toe frag

1 base frag fish plate

* 1 lamp frag

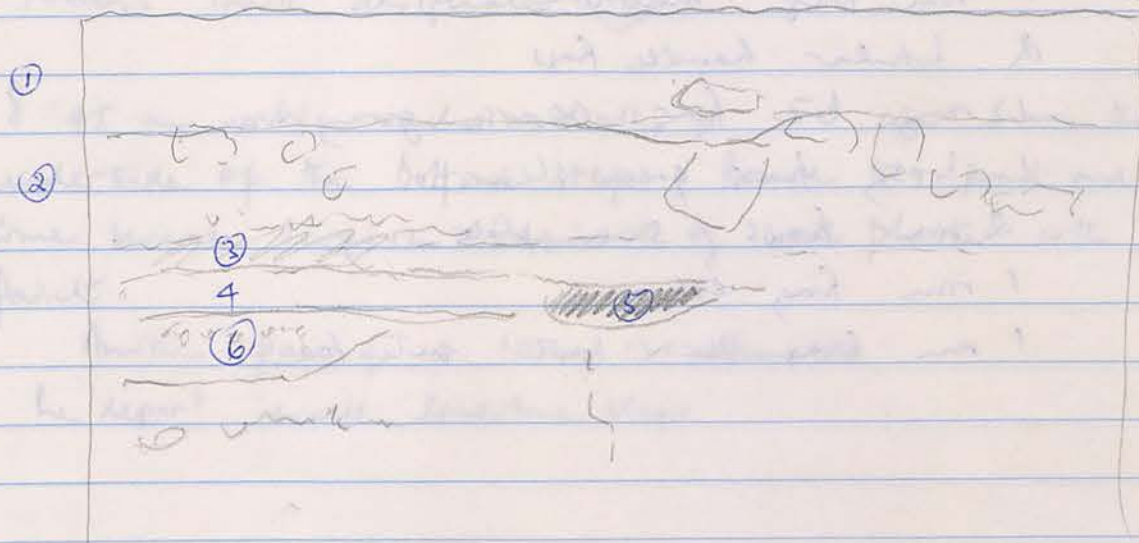
Thursday 14 October 1993

workers Yari Amouma, Fatoruma, Ali, Sara Helay (Khalid)

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Today we work W of the NS wall designate W6

W stratigraphy?



- ① top soil
- ② rubble and soil
- ③ light gray
- ④ brown soil merging to gray below
- ⑤ a patch of black
- ⑥ rubble

9.30 am. after clearing W of the wall we reach bedrock and now clean the wall ready for photography

14.10.93

363/4 W (G)

medium-small lot c/w body sherds

6 ring base frags

1 rim frag mountain

2 tubular handle frags

1 ring base frag coarse gray ware

1 body frag green glaze

2 rim frags scw plates

1 rim frag echinus

1 rim frag scw bowl quite fine

Thursday 14 October 1993

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Continue in narrow space in front of steps

close to wall at N the soil is soft but further away it is hard and though only a small patch it may represent a floor.

Today's work designate (B)

8.45 am. We reach a depth of 50 cm from the underside of the bottom step. Round this point and lower come several largish fragments of wall plaster with red paint.

Another pass of c. 10 cm is attempted. The deposit reveals limestone chips

Objects 1993

93.672 stamped amphora handle width of handle 3.9 cm
battered and broken. Only letter = A (first letter
of top row)

