

Jebel Khalid 2000

Field Record Book

Name.....JANA LISA.....
Trenches.....BAULKS - 207/2-3 (a) 207/5-6 (b) 207/8-5 (c) 207/7-4 (d)
.....100/1 150/3 124/1 100/1.....
Dates.....24/4/00 -

List of equipment for Trench Supervisors

Dig bag
Water
Clip board and spare clips for windy days
Pens (water proof only - black or blue),
pencils, ruler, eraser
Measuring tape
Plumb bob
String
Spirit level (may be shared)
Supply of labels
Supply of different-sized plastic bags
Toilet paper (for wrapping delicate objects
as well as for personal use!)
Small cartons/boxes for objects. When
available
Band-aids and aspirin for the vapours
(yours or the workers')

Useful words

All	kull
All of you	kullkum
All even (same)	kull sawa-sawa
Bedrock	jebel
Big	kabeer
Black	aswad
Bone	az'm
Boy	walad
Brush	forshay
Charcoal	fah'm
Cleaning	tanzeef
Dead	mowt
Eating!	mangariyya
Floor	ardth
From	min
Girl	bin't

Glass	zujaaj
Half	nuss
Here	hona
I	ana
Iron	hadeed
Little, small	sagheer
Man	rajul
Maybe, perhaps	mumkin
Must	laazim
Must not!	mu laazim
My (my son)	-ee e.g. walad-ee
Pick	kazma
Pottery	fachaar
Photo (picture)	soora
Red	ahmar
Rock	hajir
Room	gurfa
Sick	mareedth
Soil	trab
Slowly	shway, shway
Supervisor	mudeer
There is.. there is not	fi....maa fi
This	hadtha
To, for	ila, li
Today	al yowm
Tomorrow	bukra
Trowel	mustareen
Wall	jidaar
Water	mayy
Wheelbarrow	darraaja
White	abyad
Yesterday	imbaarih
You (sing. m/f anta,	anti
You (pl.)	antum

ADVICE to TRENCH SUPERVISORS

1. Take a **new page** for each day. (Each day may take several pages).

2. Draw a **scale plan** of the trench **each day** on the graph paper (essential), with North at the top (if this is not convenient, mark North direction clearly).

Mark depth from surface at the beginning of each day, at designated points.

When starting a square, this plan may be nearly empty but draw it all the same and mark in emerging tumble.

3. Draw arrows on your plan to indicate **direction** in which you are excavating.

4. Every time you designate a new context, (on the occasion of a new spit, a new feature, a new soil colour) fill in the **Context Record Sheet** for that trench, as well as describing it in your report. Store the accumulated context record sheets in the plastic sleeve in your record book.

5. **Structures** . Measure carefully any structure (wall, doorway, threshold, ovens, pit, any large dressed stones or columns) and record exact location, height, width in your report as well as on the scale plan.

6. **Floors** - marked by very hard tough surface or layer of white crushed limestone. May be softer adjacent to wall. Record thickness of floor, if we decide to dig through it.

If your floor is particularly good, collect a few bags of surface material - there may be seeds.

7. **Objects**. e.g. glass, figurine or lamp fragments, metal, stucco, loomweights, spindle whorls, beads, graffito-ed sherds, coins, gold jewellery (some hope). Mark in the location and depth of any objects clearly and accurately. If necessary, draw another sketch plan as the day progresses. A quick sketch of the object in the report would be helpful, if it is too mysterious to name e.g. Mattie's metal blobs.

8. **Pottery**: label bags clearly in waterproof pen, with one label inside the bag and one outside. **Record daily the number of bags per context** . Be very careful to separate pottery from different contexts.

It is absolutely essential to double-bag the pottery. A broken bag of pottery without context is useless.

9. **Bone**: Collect all bone and label as for pottery. Record number of bags per context daily.

10. **Charcoal**: Collect all charcoal and label as for pottery. Record number of bags per context daily.

11. **Tile**: it is important to record the location and amount of tile.

12. **Very important**: at the completion of a trench, draw to scale:

- i Draw a section of the exposed baulk, with details of stratigraphy clearly marked.
- ii Draw a top plan of the completed trench, with contexts clearly marked.
- iii Write a short summary with your interpretation of the trench.

** put an asterisk next to objects when writing up the report*

*n.b. Nestle metal in a tissue, don't wrap + glass
Wrap stucco etc. to keep them damp
Don't put metal in plastic
Cover wood up*

JK DG DATE
TRENCH
LOCUS/SPIT
POTTERY ETC. BAG# INITIALS

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery			
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

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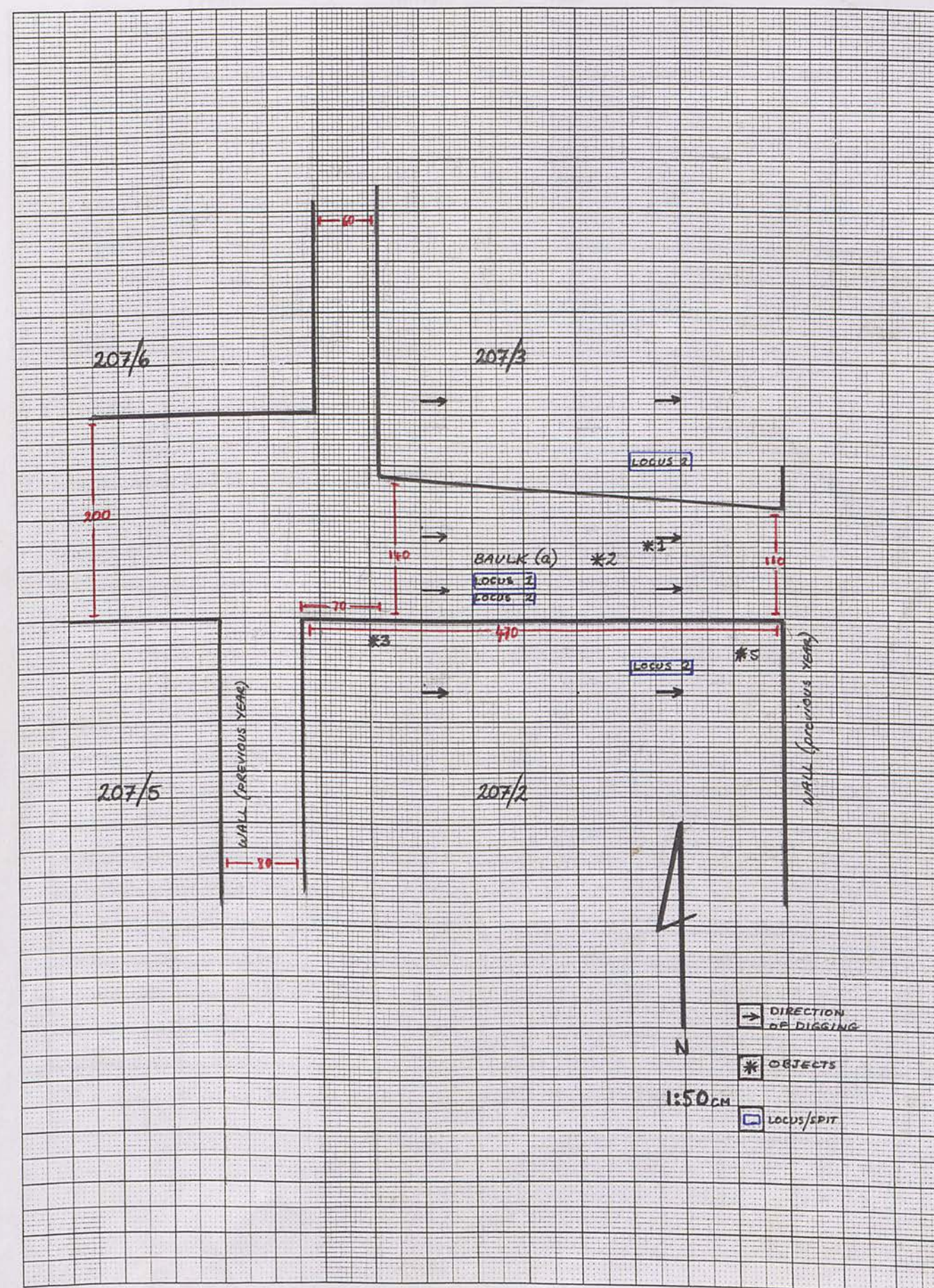
baulk (a)
 Trench 207/2-3 Initials J.B. Date 24/4/00 Page 1
 Locus 1 Spit topsoil Locus 2 Spit tumble Feature/s

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont	No.	Object	Cont	Cont
Pottery	3	locus 1 topsoil	locus 2 tumble	1	plum(?) seed x2	locus 2 tumble	
Bone	2	locus 1 topsoil	locus 2 tumble	2	curved metal piece	locus 2 tumble	00-012
Charcoal				3	folded metal	locus 2 tumble	00-011
Other (Tile)				4	lamp(?) frag.	locus 2 tumble	00-004
Photos bw				5	shell - clam shell	locus 2 tumble	00-019
Photos col.							

Shells occurring naturally in limestone

Context Report

locus 1	Clearing of topsoil from baulk (a) ~10-20cm
	pottery - 1 bag
	bone - 1 bag
	plaster - 2 pcs.
locus 2	Clearing of tumble - both from the baulk and from either side. All finds have been allocated to tumble.
	pottery - 2 bags
	bone - 1 bag
*1	2x plum(?) seeds
*2	curved metal piece
*3	folded metal
*4	lamp(?) frag.
*5	shell
	→ found in pottery bag
	There appears to be a lot of tumble, so am keeping an eye open for any sudden walls appearing in baulk (a), but seemingly none so far. Clearing tumble from either side of baulk so that it will be easier to see if the walls on the east and west continue through the baulk. Soil appears to be more red and harder in the north-east corner to a height of ~50cm from bedrock floor



Baulk (a)
Trench 207/2-3 Initials J.B. Date 25/4/00 Page 2
Locus 2 Spit tumble Locus 3 Spit N/A Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	3	locus 2 tumble	locus 3
Bone	2	locus 2 tumble	locus 3
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

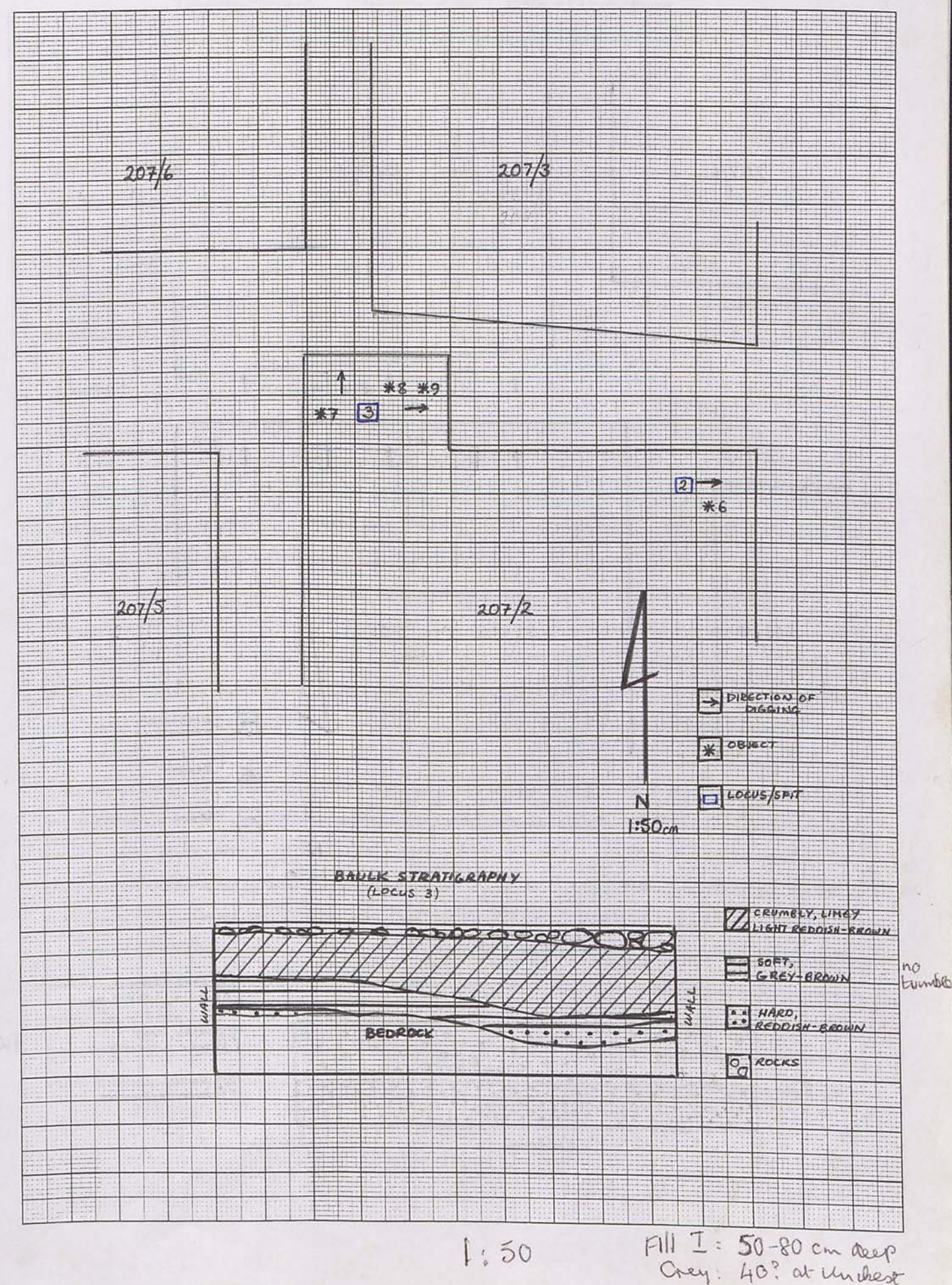
No.	Object	Cont	Cont
6	Long metal piece from carrying frags	locus 2 tumble	00-027
7	metal stamp(?)	locus 3	00-028
8	fig frag(?)	locus 3	00-029
9	coin	locus 3	00-021
6a	fig. frag.	locus 2 tumble	
7a	frag. of Megarian bowl taken from pottery	locus 3	
7b	body sherd with graffiti(?) designs	locus 3	
7c	body sherd with graffiti(?)	locus 3	

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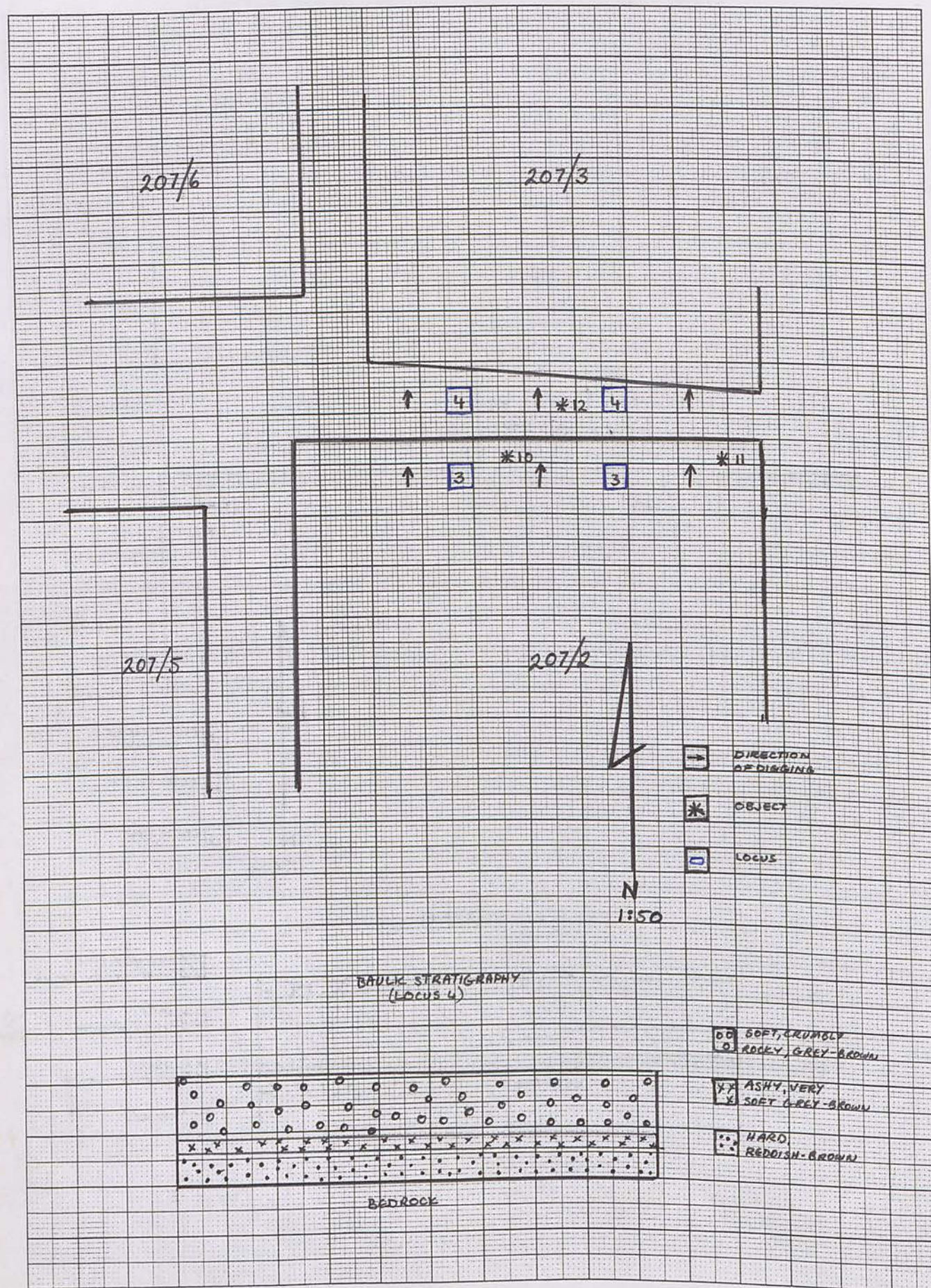
Context Report

locus 2	Continued to clear tumble from the south side of baulk (a). The soil closer to bedrock remains harder and redder, producing less pottery than the other soils. Possibly packing to make the floor on top of the bedrock more even(?)
	*6. metal pieces - found in NE corner
	Undulating bedrock, hard-packed red soil peters out.
	pottery - 1 bag
	bone
* 6a	fig. frag. taken out of pottery bag
locus 3	If there is a wall hidden in baulk (a), it is very ruinous! Decided on a strategy of hacking vertically into the south side of baulk (a) in the north-west corner to see if wall foundations emerge. We followed the west wall approx. halfway into the baulk - still no evidence of an east-west wall! If there is a wall cutting rooms 207/3 & 207/2, then it is likely to be in the northern side. Very soft, crumbly-brown-grey soil with large pieces of limestone. Some pieces of tile are emerging plus lots of pottery, much of it quite limy.
	*7 metal stamp (?) pottery - 2 bags
	*8 fig. frag. (?) bone
	*9 coin

graffito inv no 969. (04 ss).



1mm Squares



Baulk (a)

Trench 207/3-2 Initials J.B. Date 26/4/00 Page...

Locus 3 Spit Locus 4 Spit Feature/s

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	4	locus 3	locus 4
Bone	3	locus 3	locus 4
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
10	metal chunk <i>smaller set frag.</i>	locus 3	00.049
11	bead	locus 3	
12	glass <i>slag</i>	locus 4	00.115 00.067

Context Report

locus 3	Continuing to remove the south half of baulk (a) to see if there is a wall behind it dividing 207/3 & 207/2. Will move to the north half later and change loci. Aiming to remove entire baulk today. bone - 2 bags pottery - 2 bags
* 10	Metal chunk - midway of baulk
* 11	Bead - NE corner
locus 4	Am sick of the baulk and am having it destroyed! There is no wall! Soil still grey-brown, soft and crumbly. pottery / bone Ashy soil appearing in the stratigraphy as we go into the NE corner of the baulk approx 20cm from the floor and running approx 2 metres west.
* 12	Glass - midway of baulk Hatched out the entire baulk up to the ash lens. Will clear the soil tomorrow

what floor?

fram = above?

207/3

WALL
N/S

WALL
N/S

*14

LOCUS 6.1
6.2
*18

*17

ORIGINAL LINE OF BULK
*13

*10 *15

LOCUS

BEDROCK

BEDROCK

207/2

N

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	1	X ² 5	
Bone	1	"	
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
13	Iron-blade?		
14	Iron <i>turns out to be a rock</i>		Wm
15	Iron nail fragment	00.097	
16	? Small pumice		00.089
17	<i>credit to burial hole</i> Iron disc	6.1	00.091 00.091

* 5	Continuing to clear soil from South of bank. All loose brown soil. Pottery from here will be relatively unstratified. Same here.
* 13	Object - thin  - tempting to see it as an arrow head, but may be a small clamp or blade. Deposit of bone up against wall in NE corner of locus - on bedrock. This room is very large without a E-W cross wall. It was perhaps originally two rooms - previous excavation showed one course only of a possible cross wall.
Obj. 14	Iron lump (nail?) also in NE corner of locus on bedrock.
Obj. 15	Iron nail fragments from centre of original bank.
Obj. 16	Small, rounded pumice? stone in same context (NB, pumice often found in Cemetery contexts)
6.11	This new locus is the bank between 207/3 and 207/5 to the west. The aim is to clarify the N/S wall in the west of 207/2 which continues North to a projecting vertical.

* Obj. In topsoil of b.i. a thin iron disc. 3cm. across with pierced hole centre

Trench 207/23.....Initials.....Date 27/4/00 Page....

Locus...6...Spit...1... Locus...6...Spit...2... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	1	6.2	
Bone	1	6.1	
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

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Context

Report

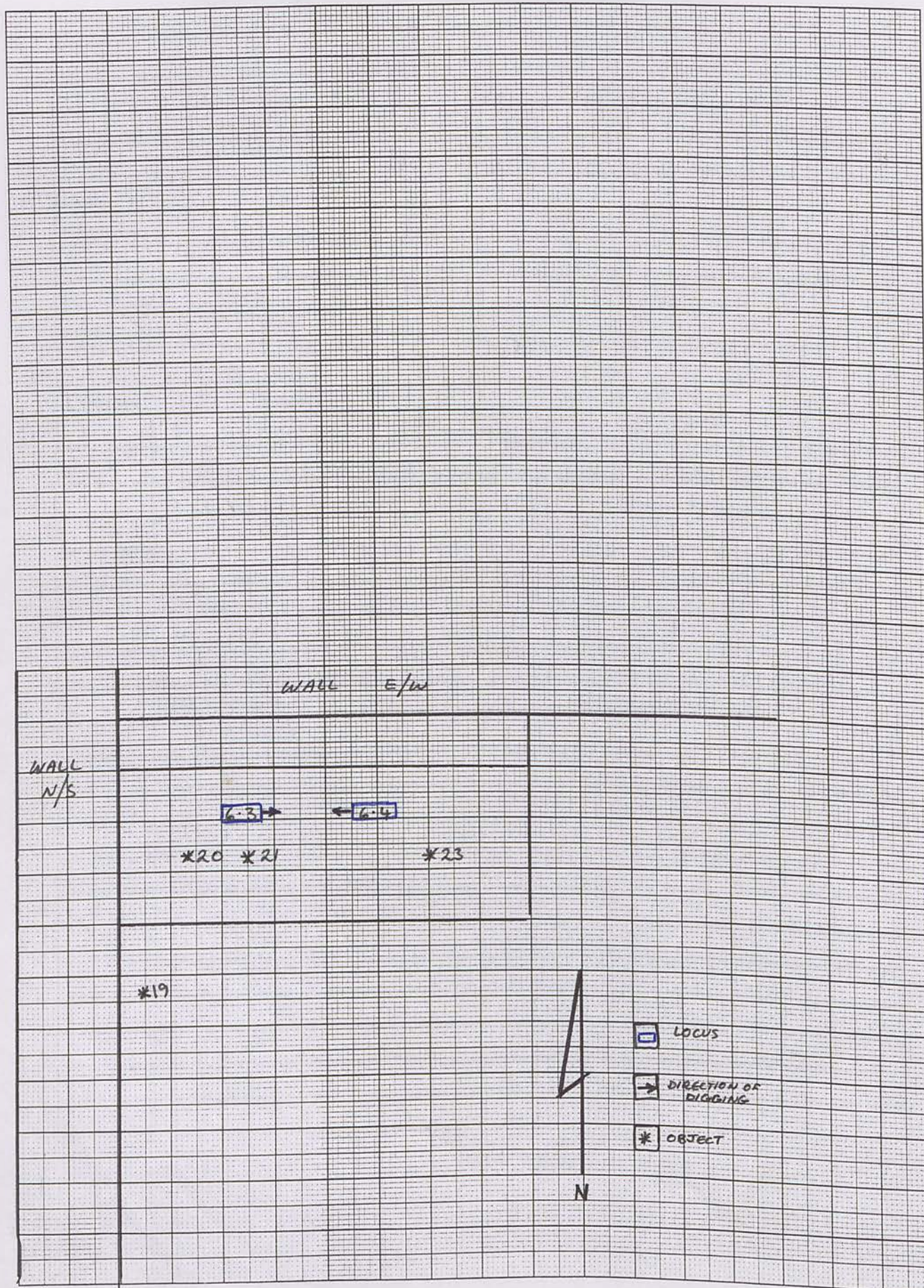
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More iron nail? fragments found in this locus - close to the wall. They may be associated with a possible doorway?

6.2 A deeper spit in the same locus. Less tumble here - just soft brown soil beneath the tumble. Much pottery in this locus. The N/S wall face (East face) is becoming clearer - 'doorway' not yet confirmed.

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Trench 207/3-5 Initials JB Date 29/4/00 Page ...
Locus 6 Spit 2 Locus 6 Spit 3 Feature/s ...

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	3	6-2	6-3 6-4
Bone	3	6-2	6-3 6-4
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
19	<i>Small iron chisel</i> Nail	6-2	00.101
20	Glass frag.	6-3	00.114
21	Worked stone <i>basalt</i>	6-3	00.153
22	Metal piece <i>from upland</i> clay	6-4	00.198

Context Report

6-2	Continuing to clear the soil from 6-2 to clarify the NW wall and try to locate the doorway pottery/bone
* 19	Nail
6-3	Moving further north along the wall. 6-3 is topsoil pottery/bone Soil is soft, grey-brown with a lot of crushed limestone
* 20	Glass frag.
* 21	Worked stone
6-4	Deeper spit clearing tumble (large rocks) ~20cm deep. Starting from the east and moving west towards the wall so as to approach it gradually to see what is happening pottery/bone
* 22	Long, flattish metal piece - nail? Some pieces of tile emerging when the tumble is cleared there is ~20cm of grey-brown soil above the floor/bedrock - w/out big stones. P.T.O.

Trench 207/3-5 Initials JR Date 29/4/00 ^{CONT} Page
 Locus 6 Spit 5 Locus Spit Feature/s

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	1	6.5	
Bone	1	6.5	
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

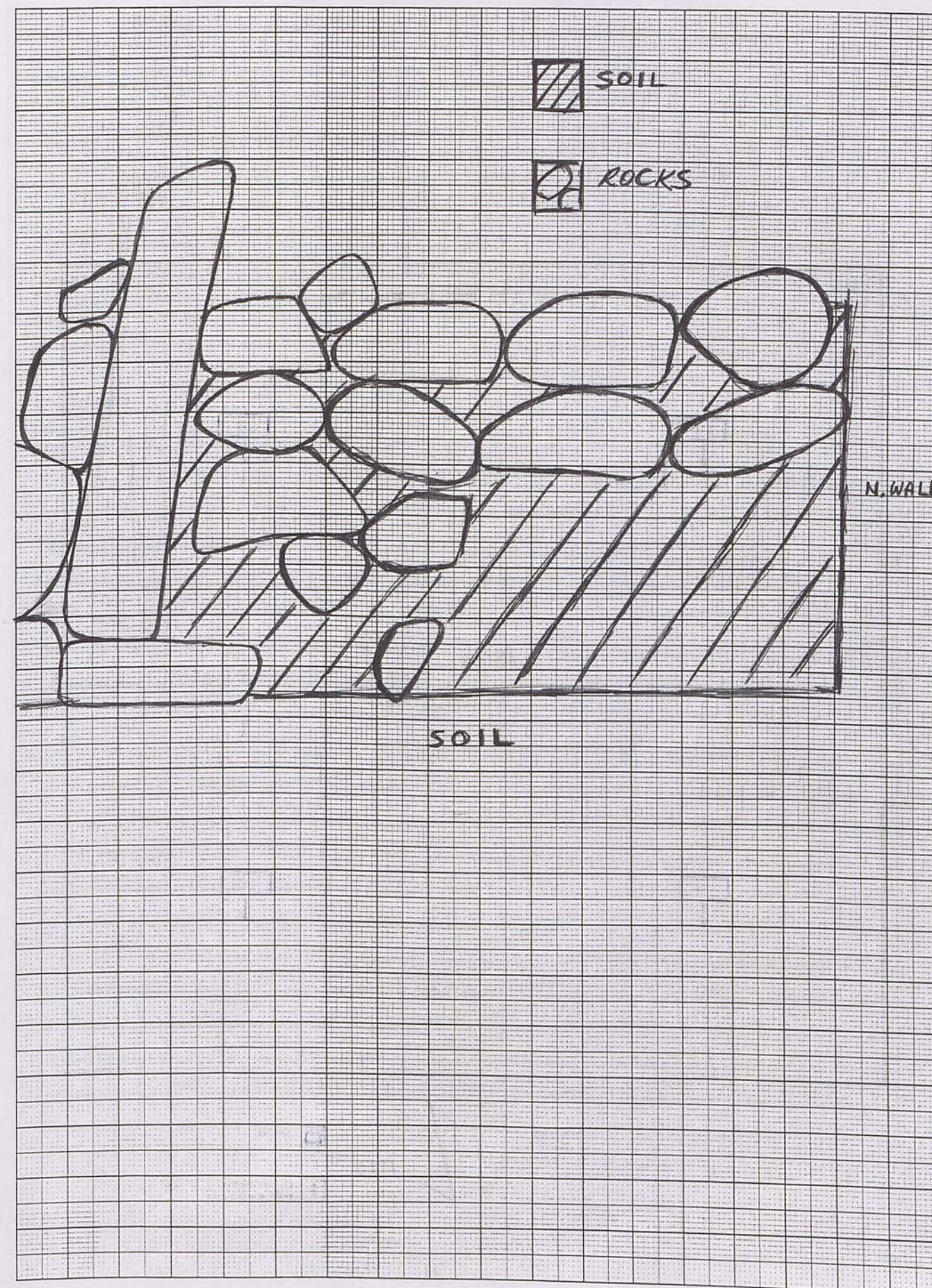
No.	Object	Cont	Cont
23	shaped metal blob - lead	6.5	00.120
	plaster		

Context

Report

	At the bottom of 6.4 after clearing tumble etc. the surface appears quite level. The puzzle re: the doorway is becoming more complex! Looking west to the right of the upright block of stone in the wall run two courses of stone wall which finish above soil. Will go down another spit (last one) to try to see more especially at the bottom of the upright stone which is resting on a strangely flat piece of stone
6.5	Going down in a 20-30cm spit to hit the original floor going in a westerly direction again towards the wall.
* 23	shaped metal blob - looks like a sinker! pottery / bone + nice piece of west-slope ware Soil soft, crumbly grey-brown - a few chunks of plaster. Soil gets harder towards the west wall

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Hand-drawn cross-section diagram of a trapezoidal excavation on graph paper. The excavation is 150/3 units wide at the top and 100/3 units wide at the bottom, with a height of 100 units. The side slopes are 1:1. Four 1:1 slope triangles are shown at the corners. A north arrow and a 1:25 scale are provided. A legend indicates that a square symbol represents the 'LOCUS' and an arrow represents the 'DIRECTION OF DIGGING'.

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	1	1.1	
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)	plaster 1	1.1	
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

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Trench.....150/3.....Initials.....J.B.....Date.....30/4/00 Page....
 Locus.....1.....Spit.....2..... Locus.....2.....Spit.....1..... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	3	1-2	2-1
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw	3-647	2-1	
Photos col.			

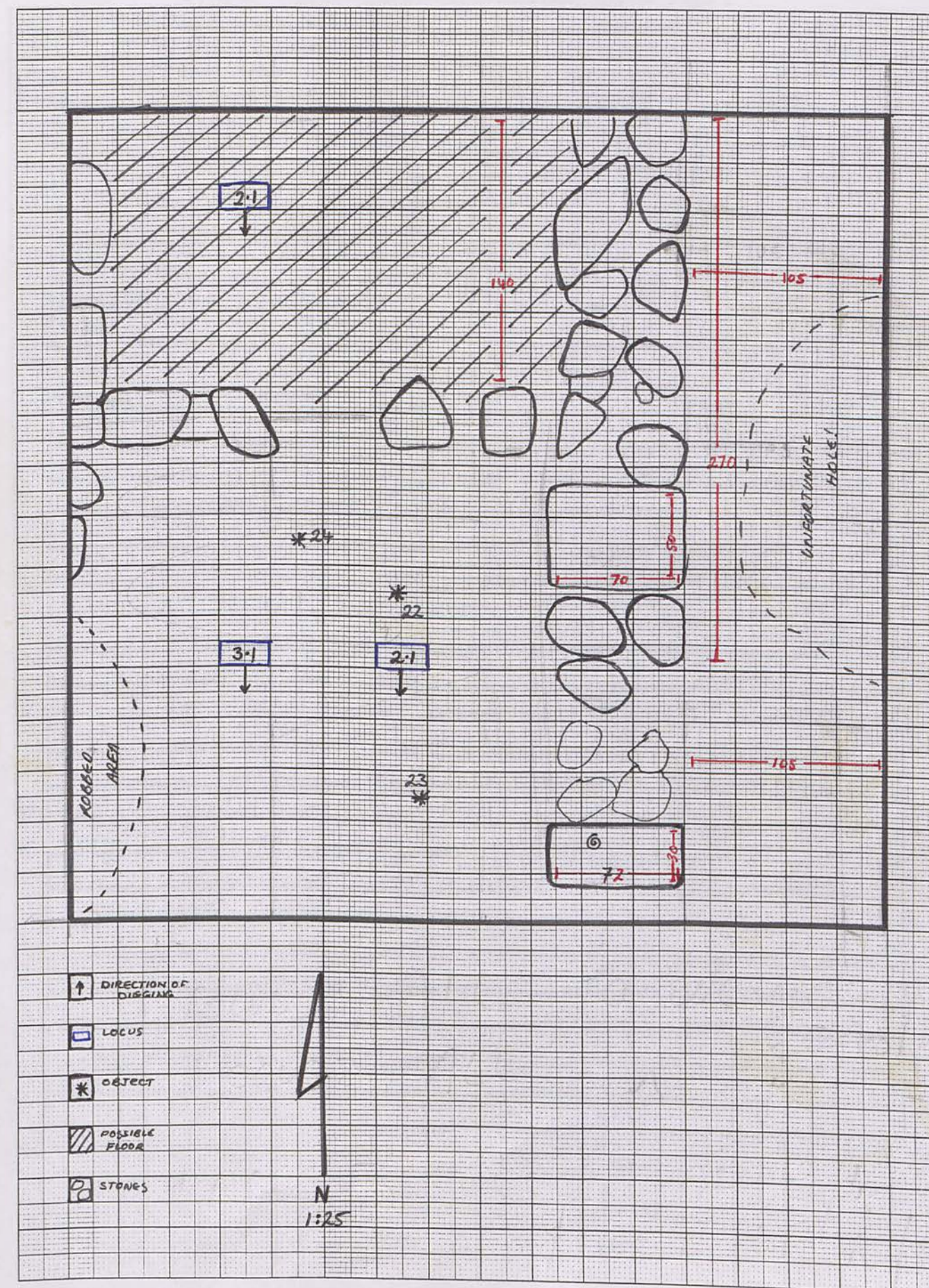
No.	Object	Cont	Cont
22	nail?	2-1	

Context Report

- 1-2 Continuing to clear topsoil and defining rocks and potential features. Much of what is visible is probably tumble, but there is a lot of it, so careful defining and clarifying will be necessary. Some features in the east and west are emerging.
- 2-1 Clearing tumble - a few potential walls emerging. There is possibly a floor/surface ~20cm below the topsoil in the N/w corner. Could stop at the E/w wall or go over it → unknown.
- * 22 Nail?
 if lot of finely crushed limestone as if something heavy fell onto the wall tumble and crushed them. Have now defined a N/s wall with large blocks in the east which appears to be bisected by a smaller wall running E/w to another small wall running N/s in the west. The latter wall is not in very good condition. Much of it has been exposed above ground and is cracked and weathered. Progress photos taken. Not much pottery yet.
- 3-1 Have cordoned off the area below the E/w wall and between the two N/s walls and am concentrating on clearing and defining the area to see what is happening.

P.T.O.

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Trench...150/3 cont...Initials...J.B...Date...30/4/00 Page...
 Locus...3...Spit...1... Locus...Spit... Feature/s...
continued

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery			
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
23	Metal lump	3-1	
24	Metal piece	3-1	

Context

Report

	Some rustication is visible on the west side of the southernmost large block of the East n/s wall. (marked by a © on plan)
	This could mean one or several things:
	1. Locus 3 is below the floor level of the north of Locus 2.
	2. West of the wall is the outside of the wall of a room i.e. exterior
	3. The blocks were not quarried properly and so were put in a domestic context
	4. They are reused blocks or leftover blocks.
* 23	Metal lump
* 24	Small, flat piece of metal.
	Have removed a lot of tumble - will continue tomorrow.
	Not very pleasant soil to dig in! Full of patches of small, densely packed pieces of crushed limestone - see theory above.

Trench ^{150/3} 105/3 Initials J.B. Date 1/5/80 Page...
 Locus 3 Spit 2 Locus 4 Spit 2 Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	2	3.2	4.1
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

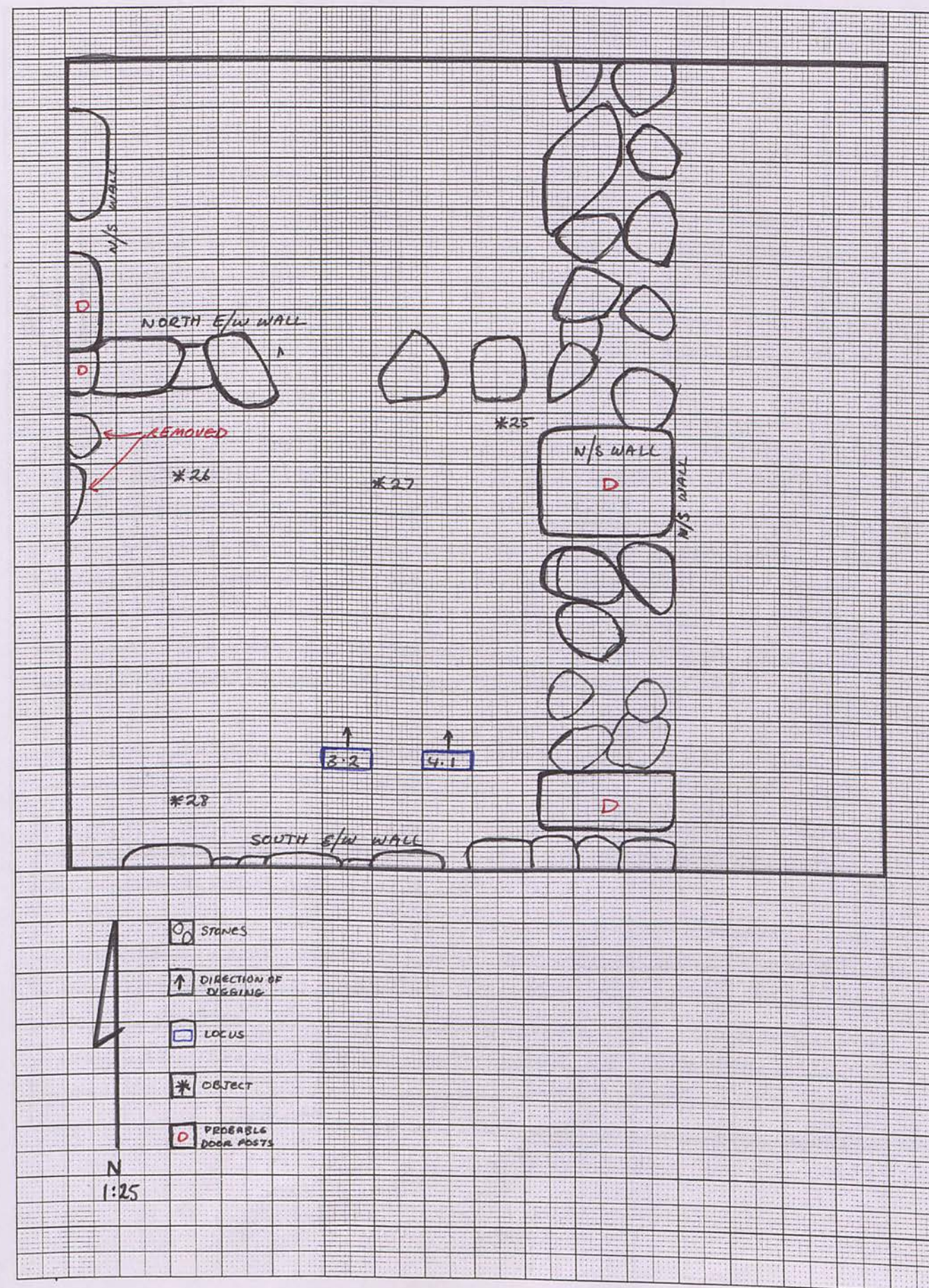
No.	Object	Cont	Cont
25	shell - oxide	3.2	00.202
26	fig frag.	3.2	00.204
27	bronze/copper bits	4.1	00.206
28	nails (?)	4.1	

→ deaccessioned - turns out to be stone

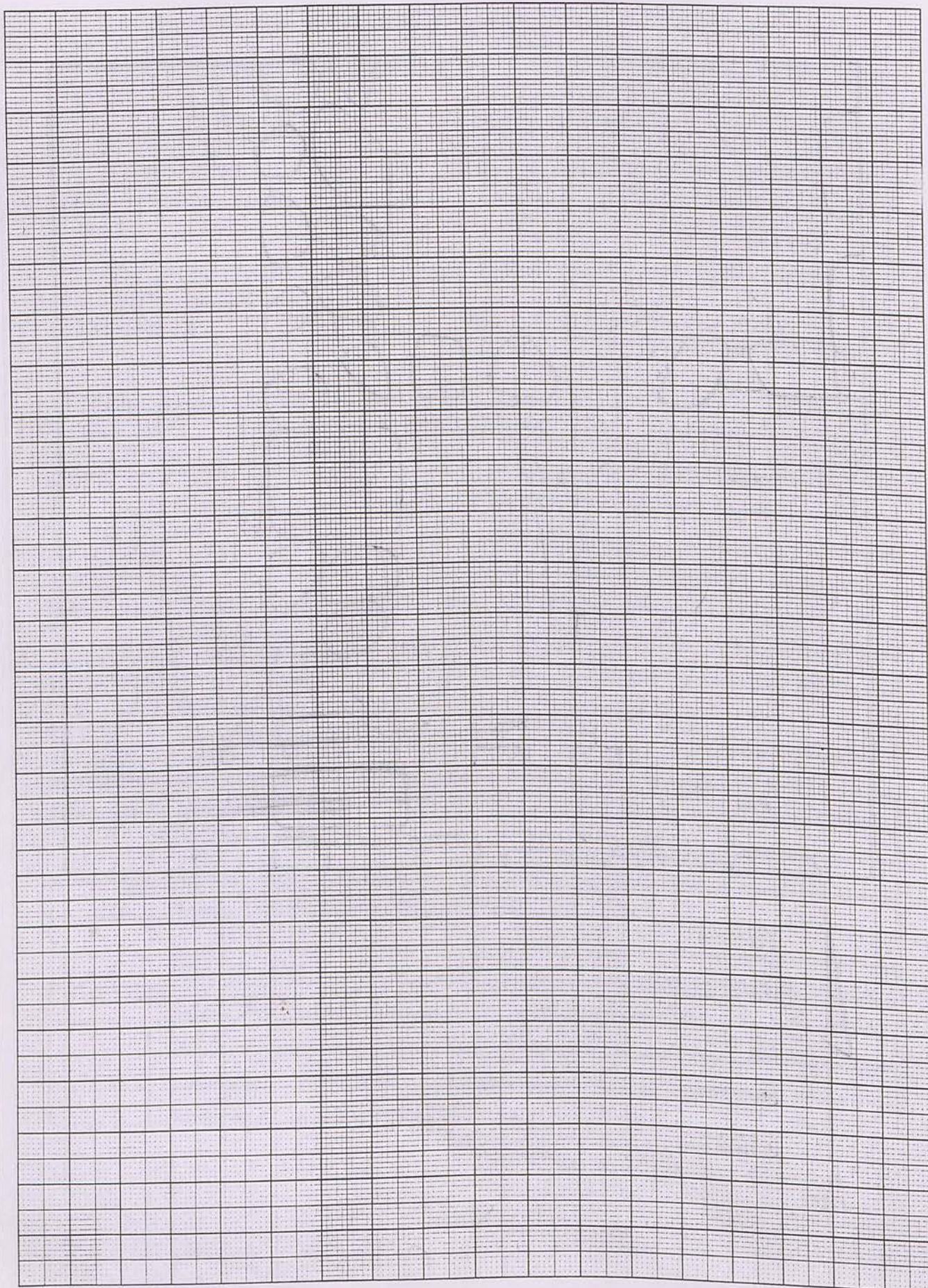
Context Report

3.2	Continuing to clear tumble and crushed limestone. Soil has begun to change - getting darker and softer with fewer limestone fragments. A clear wall is appearing in the southern corner.
* 25	Shell pieces The n/s wall on the west side finishes at the e/w wall and does not go further south. Have removed stones which I originally assumed belong to a wall but is tumble. The two large square blocks in the east n/s wall are probably door posts, as is an upright stone in the west n/s wall (marked on map)
* 26	fig. frag. Some red & yellow plaster
4.1	Decided to change loci, not because of drastic changes, but because we appear to have passed the majority crushed limestone level and have reached darker, finer soil. We appear to be nearing a floor (?)

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Trench.....Initials.....Date..... Page....
Locus.....Spit..... Locus.....Spit..... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery			
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont

Context Report

- * 27 Bronze/copper bits Some theories/probs. re: floors & doors
- * 28 nails (?) 1. The door (?) in the east N/s wall was probably blocked at some stage and the floor found near the topsoil in the N/w corner could have come over the earlier walls. There was no visible floor over locus 3, from this time because the tops of the earlier wall stones were peeping through topsoil when the trench was begun.
2. the ~~N/s~~ Northern E/w wall is problematic because, while the western end of it has stones going down in a clear wall, the eastern $\frac{3}{4}$ seems a lot more ruined - or the wall only goes down one or two courses here. This will have to be investigated.
3. There are several shaped blocks of stones lying around in the tumble, included a nicely bevelled one. Was there an elaborately carved doorway here, or were blocks ^{from another area} reused to fill in the doorway?
4. The corner in the S/w which was robbed makes it difficult to see any stratigraphy.

Trench.....^{150/3}.....Initials...^{105/3}...Date...2/5/00...Page....
 Locus.....4.....Spit...2..... Locus.....5.....Spit...1... Feature/s.....

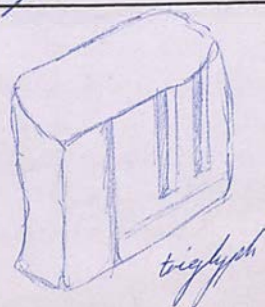
	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	2	4.2	5.1
Bone	2	4.2	5.1
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)	plaster 2	4.2	5.1
Photos bw			
Photos col.	CS2-1982		

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
29	ring	4.2	5.244
30	large broken bead(?)	4.2	00.250
31	nail ^{cosmetic spatula or plaster nail}	4.2	00.240
32	small metal rod ^{glass}	4.2	00.239
33	metal bracelet(?)	5.1	00.243
34	spindle wheel	5.1	00.251
35	nail	5.1	

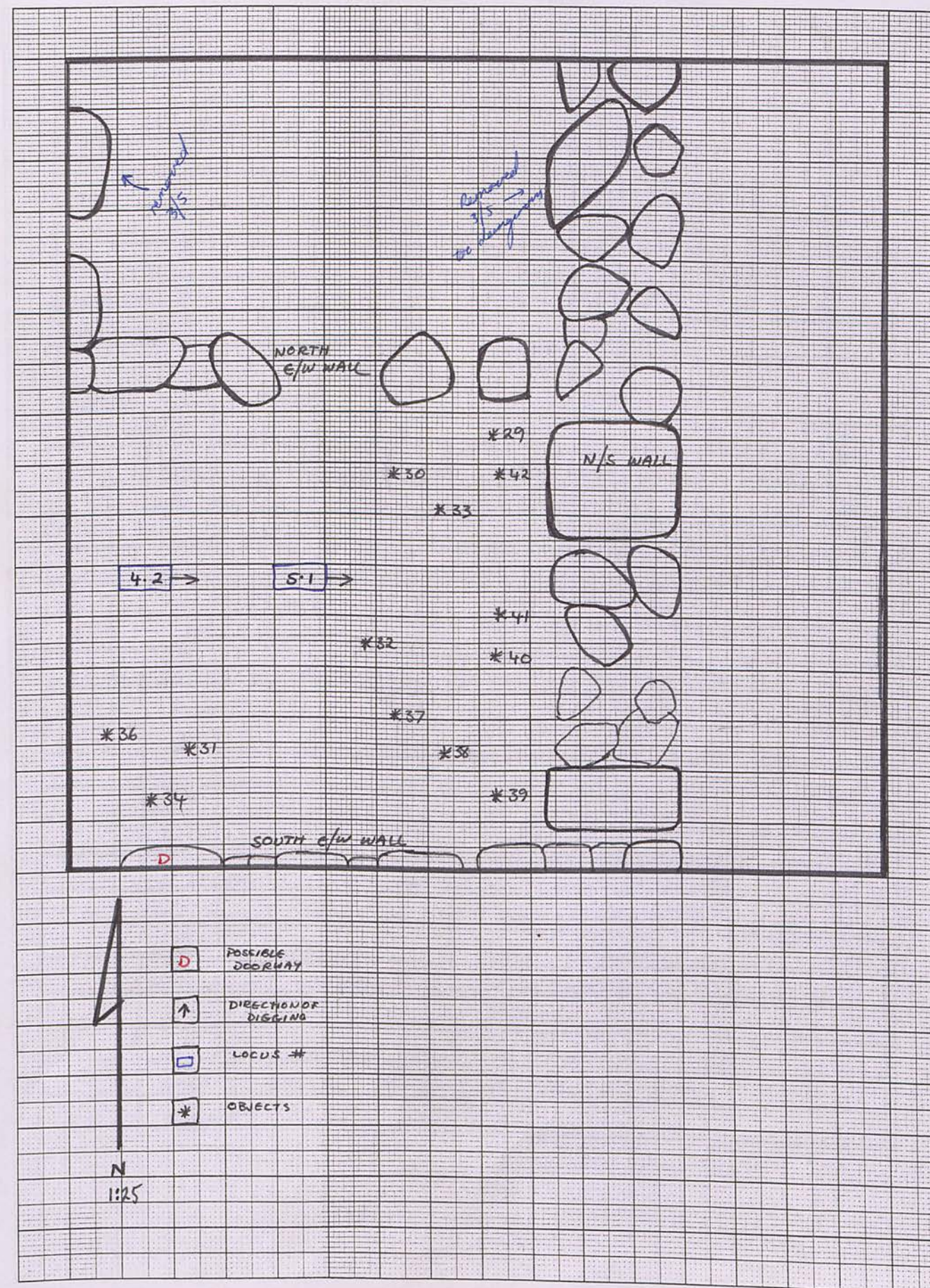
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Context Report

4.2	Continuing to go down the last 20cm before hitting a soft, ashy layer. The soil above it is very soft and dark grey-brown in colour. Surprisingly little pottery is coming out, even above the ashy layer. Could this be part of an external complex?
* 29	ring - large and chunky, but broken. Removed broken triglyph(?) tumble. Many large, shaped stones forming the tumble here.
* 30	large broken bead(?) - black, lustrous
* 31	nail
* 32	small rod of some material. Brushed the area back for a photo. bone / plaster / pottery - 1 bag each.
5.1	Going down through the ashy layer looking for the bottom of the south e/w wall and a threshold for my beautiful door.
* 33	metal bracelet(?) - broken.
* 34	spindle wheel - made of stone
* 35	nail
* 36	spatula - whole, made of metal pottery / bone



1mm Squares



1mm Squares

Trench.....Initials.....Date..... Page....
Locus.....Spit..... Locus.....Spit..... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery			
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
36	spatula ^{orange} metal	5-1	00-241
37	white bead	5-1	00-247
38	lumps of slaggy metal	5-1	
39	needle (?)	5-1	00-245
40	obsidian	5-1	00-249
41	curly frags. of metal	5-1	
42	small coin	5-1	00-246
42a	rim of metal bowl(?)	5-1	

Context Report

5-1 cont.	Going through the dark, now orange-black ashy layer. Soft and ashy in the s/w corner going into the bank. Much harder and red-brown in the N/E Spit of ~20cm. Some more crushed limestone esp. in the N/E. Also some frags. of painted red plaster.
* 37	white bead.
* 38	lumps of slaggy metal
* 39	needle (?)
	Going down another similar sized spit (~20cm) We have come upon the threshold of the east w/s wall. There seems to be a lot of rocky tumble again → was the previous ashy layer not a floor? Or was there some secondary use of the area over the tumble and above the level of the threshold?
	A hard-packed, level surface is emerging → floor. More pottery coming out too.
* 40	obsidian chunk
* 41	small, curly frags of metal
* 42	small coin - prob. bronze or copper

Trench ^{150/3} ~~105/3~~ Initials J.B. Date 3/5/00 Page ...
 Locus 5 Spit 2 Locus 6 Spit 1 Feature/s

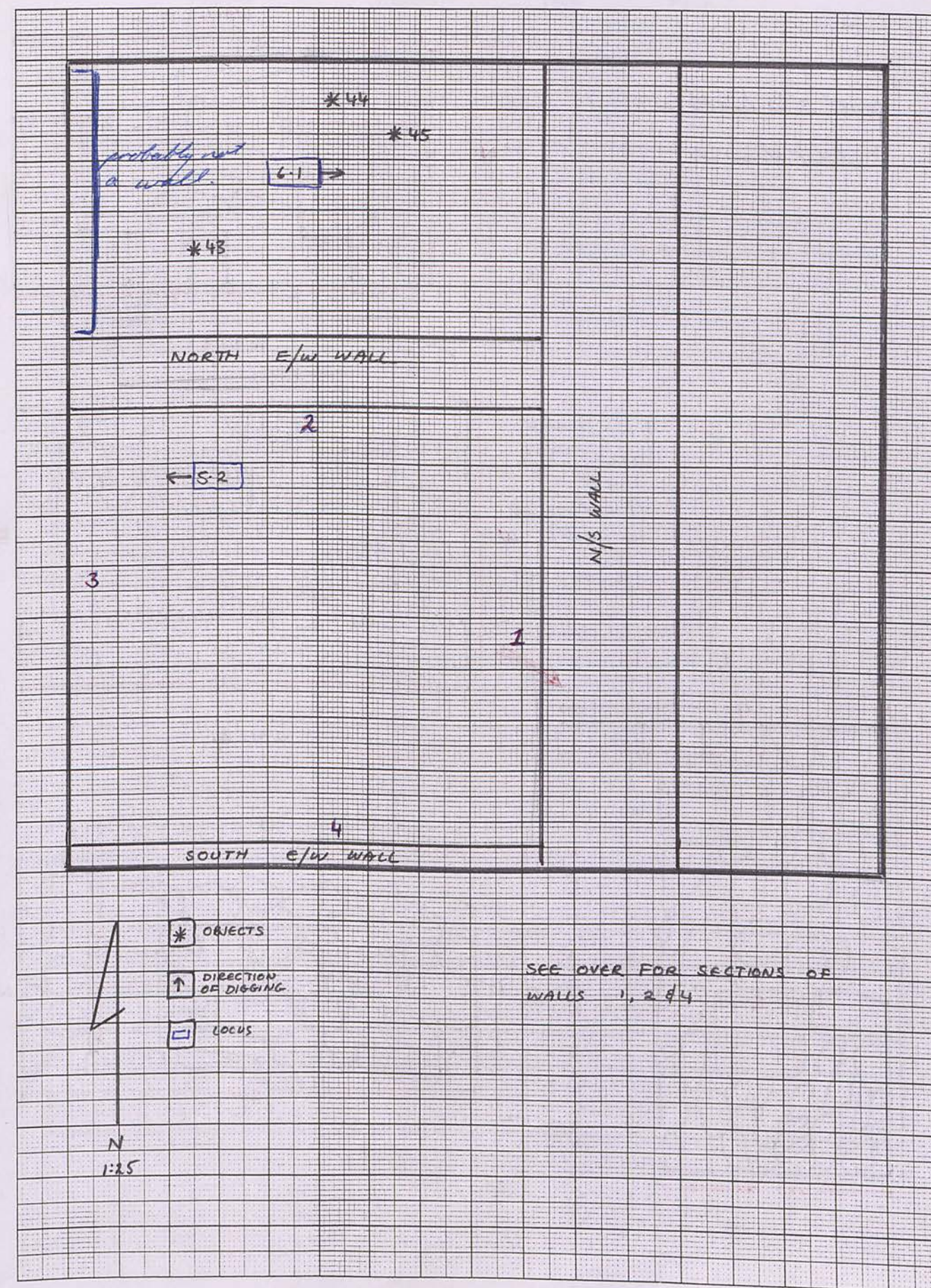
	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	1	6.1	
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
43	white bead	6.1	00.331
44	metal pins (?)	6.1	00.329
45	metal lump	6.1	

Context Report

5.2	Continuing to clear the earth above the floor associated with the threshold of the door. Will sweep it back, but will take a photo of the entire trench at a late stage. Not much cleaning left, which explains the absence of pottery. Having doubts that the doorway was deliberately blocked. Finished this area for now.
6.1	Clearing tumble in the northern section of the trench. Aim to go down and see what is happening with the north e/w wall, which has been worrying me.
* 43	white bead. The lot of stones I initially thought was the a west N/S wall bisecting the north e/w wall is probably just tumble (indicated on diagram).
* 44	metal pin(?) frags. Soil very light brown and full of crushed limestone again. The top of the north e/w wall seems to be appearing again - yay! Some beautiful large stones appearing.
* 45	metal lump.

1mm Squares



Wall 3 is terrible, so I didn't draw it.

Crushed limestone deposits
(Could indicate a wall)
Ashy level

WALL 1
200
311
52
57
28
60
93
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83
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WALL 2
220
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WALL 3
160
280
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WALL 3 (INTERSECTING WALL 2/5/6)

Locus.....Spit..... Locus.....Spit..... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery			
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

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Area 32

Trench ^{150/3} ~~150/3~~ Initials J.B. Date 4/5/00 Page
 Locus 6 Spit 2 Locus Spit Feature/s

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	1	6.2	
Bone	1	6.2	
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

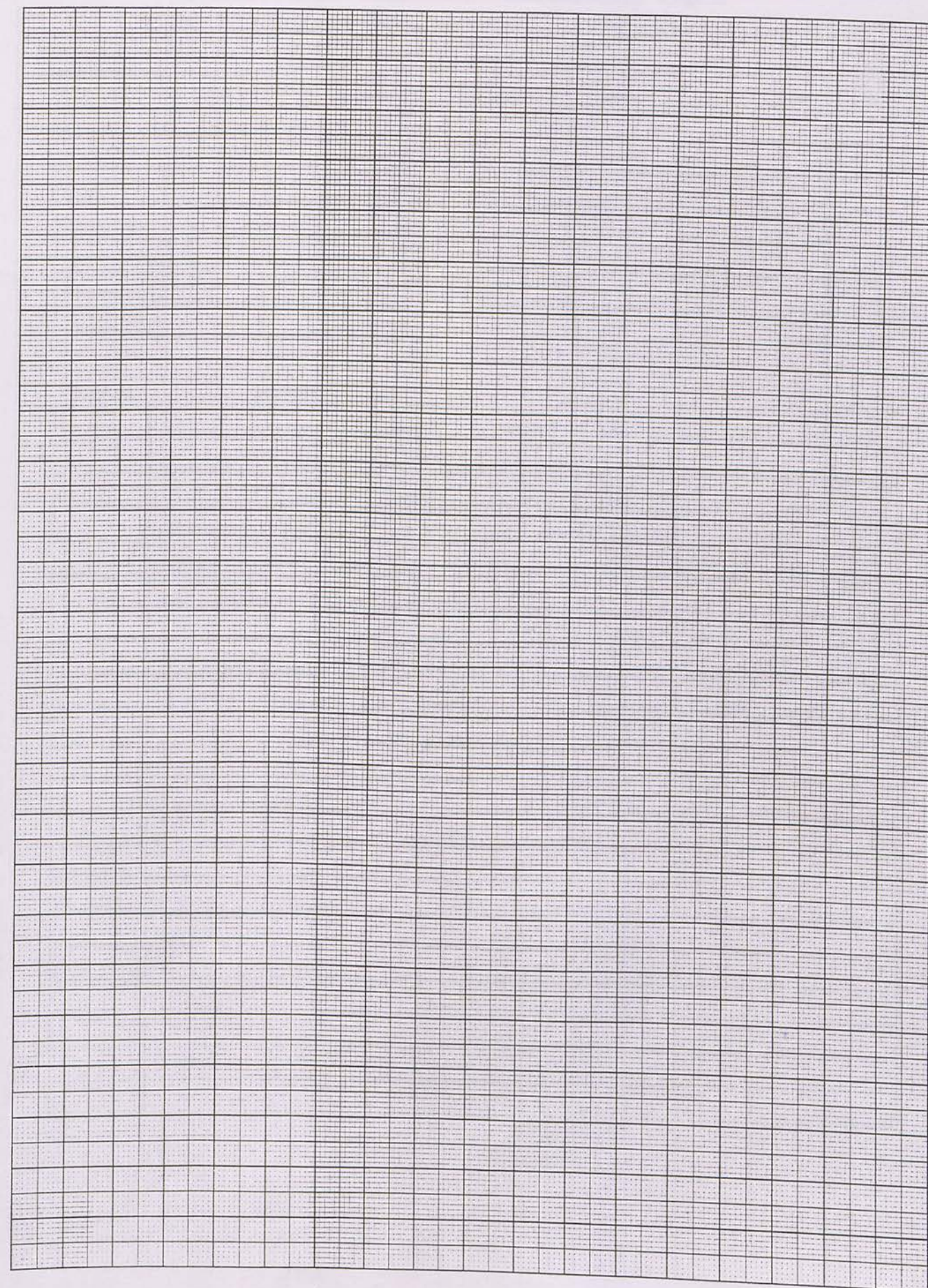
No.	Object	Cont	Cont
46	loom weight	6.2	00.335
47	2x lumps of slaggy metal	6.2	
48	fig frag	6.2	00.325
50	shell	6.2	00.322

Context

Report

6.2	Continuing to clear the tumble and crushed limestone-filled earth to define the north E/W wall and the east N/S wall. In the north section of the baulk, there is a large patch of soft, powdery limestone, which the workers say is a result of rain on the limey soil. At today's starting point, we are approx. 1 metre down. Hope to hit a floor today.
* 46	Very manky and fragile loom weight
* 47	2x lumps of slaggy metal
* 48	fig frag.
	Are probably coming onto a floor soon (~140cm down). We are reaching the bottom of the large shaped stones and more pottery is suddenly emerging. Despite continuing tumble the soil is a richer brown and softer to dig through.
* 50	shell.
9:00am	Have we got a doorway in the north face of the north E/W wall?
10:00am	Yes, we do. This means that all my confusion

1mm Squares



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	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery			
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

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Report

and worry about isolated shaped stone in the north E/W wall was for nothing. The long shaped stone seen from the south face turns out to be tumble! The post is in the corner. My next worry, however, is the threshold for the door - is there one?

Have found the floor - still working on a threshold. The wall is slightly off-line which is a reconstructable part - hemispherical cap explains why it could not be seen from the other side.

150/3

Trench.....~~150/3~~.....Initials...*T.B.*.....Date...*6/5/00* Page....
 Locus.....*6*.....Spit.....*3*..... Locus.....*7*.....Spit.....*1*..... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	11	6-3	7-1
Bone	1	7-1	
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)	plaster 1	7-1	
Photos bw			
Photos col.	CS1 27-33	27-30 = 5-2	31-33 = 6-3

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
51	nail	6-3	00-361
52	piece of Megarian	7-1	00-362
53	cherry pip	7-1	00-363
54	spinell wheel	7-1	00-299
55	metal plates	7-1	00-297
56	ceramic dish & stopper?	7-1	00-321
57	nail frags	7-1	00-298

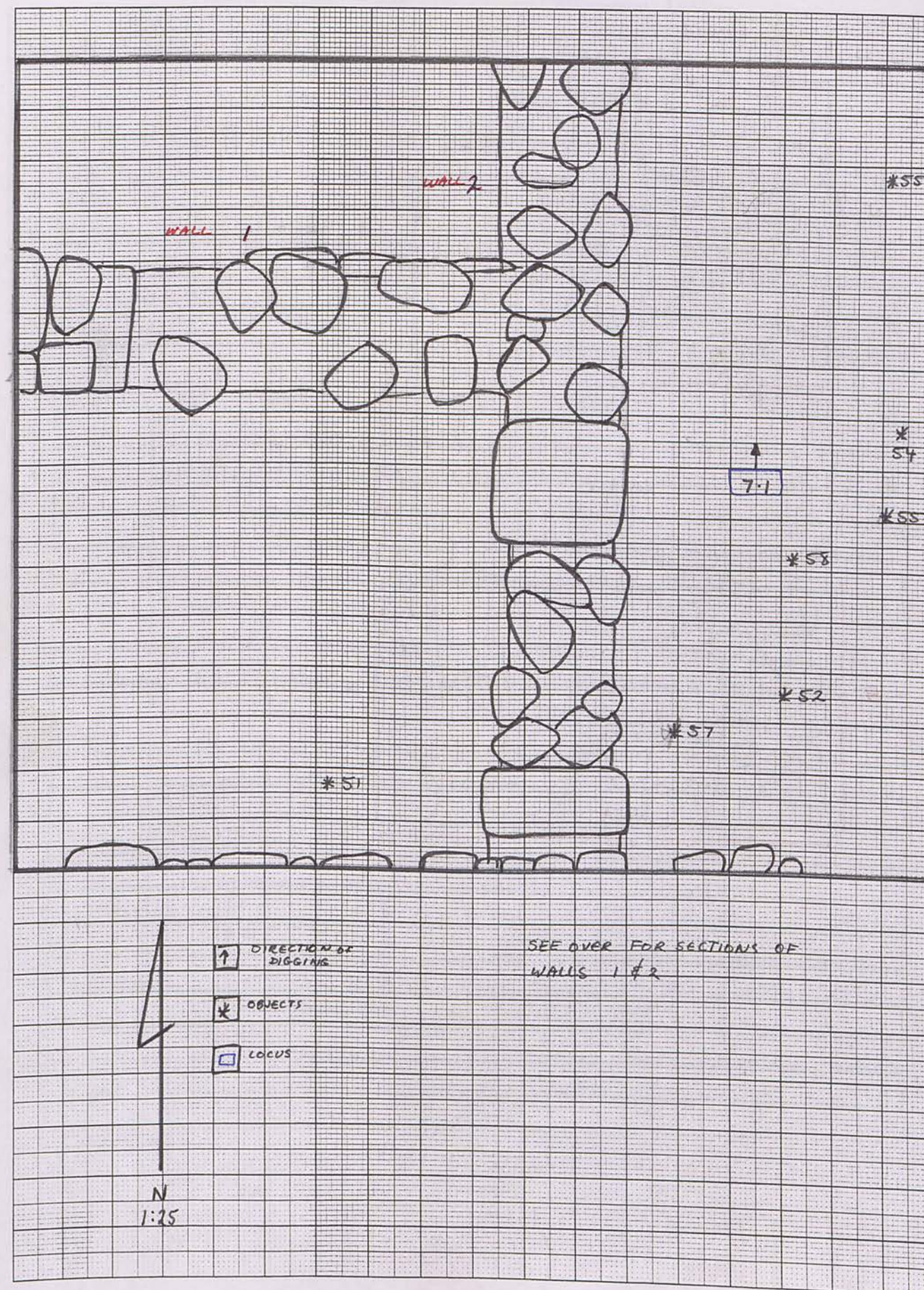
Context

Report

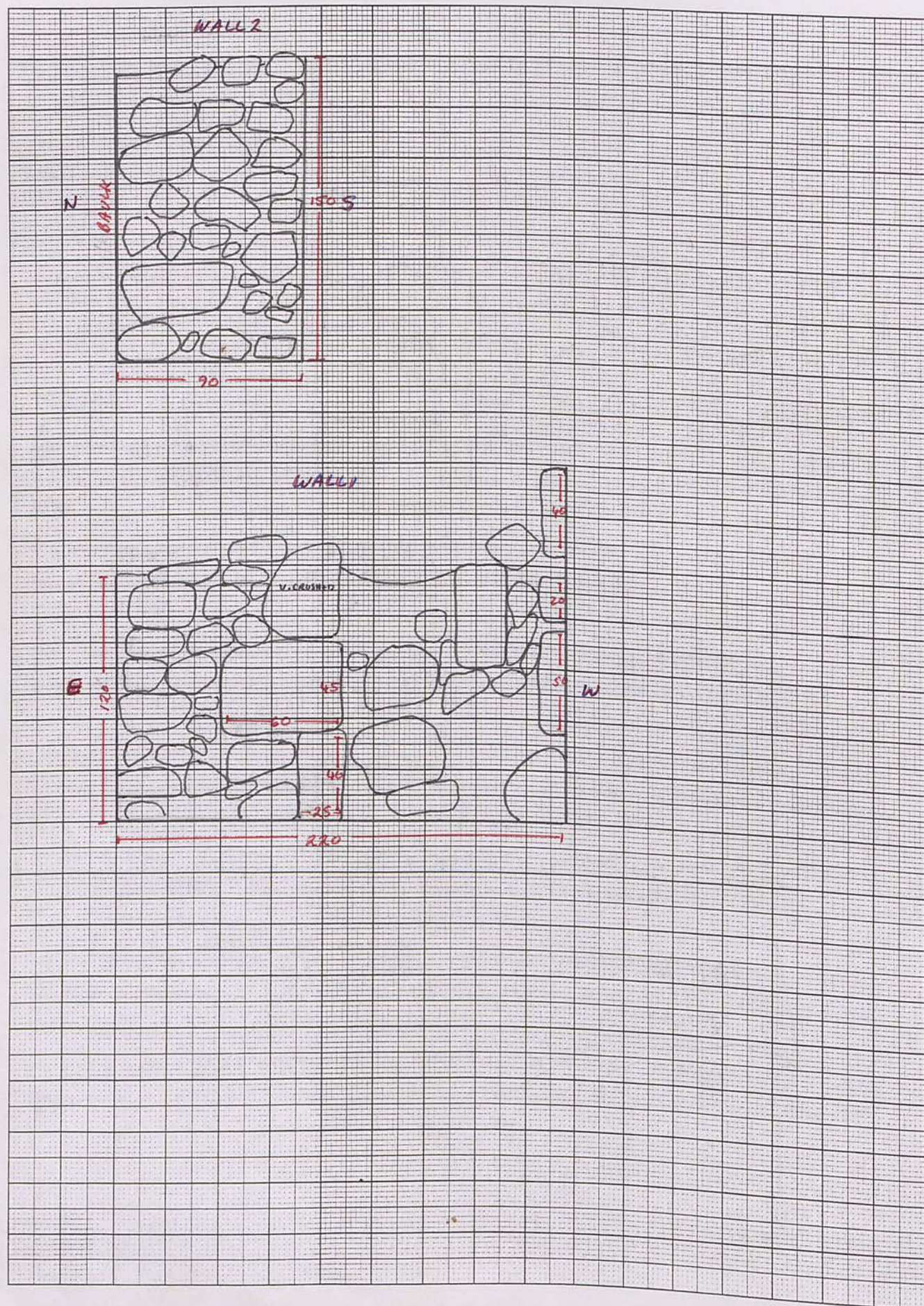
6-3	Now that we have found the floor we are cleaning out the soil above it. The workers are having trouble lifting out the soil because the trench is so deep! There does not seem to be a beautiful threshold for this door. The state is a lot more ruinous than the first one. Some small pieces of charcoal swept back for a photo, as well as the southern area.
51	nail.
7-1	Starting on the east side of the east n/s wall. This area is very uneven, so we are beginning by clearing back the topsoil and evening the levels out. Will cut through the east bench mainly because the space is so small that we are likely to knock it down inadvertently.
52	Megarian ware body sherd! Plaster is coming out a lot - red yellow plus some geometric designs.

Area 19

1mm Squares



1mm Squares

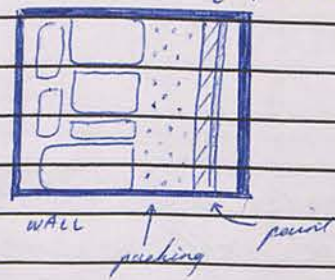


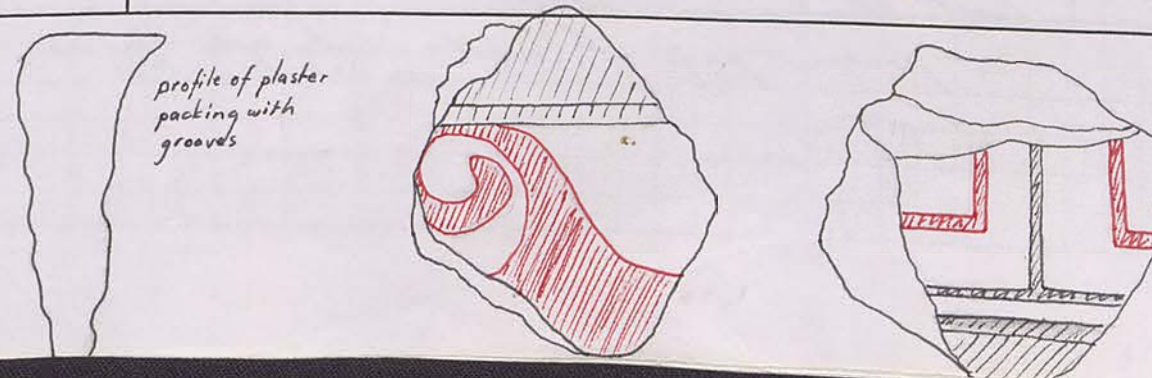
Trench.....Initials.....Date..... Page....
Locus.....Spit..... Locus.....Spit..... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery			
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
58	flat bead	7-1	00-380

Context Report

* 53	cherry pip - context may not be clear - part of topsoil clearing
* 54	spindle wheel
	Have been forced by majority uneven levels to go down approx 40cm of topsoil
* 55	metal plates
* 56	beautiful ceramic disc - stopper
	The east n/s wall is revealing some plaster lining too. Some beautiful wave patterns
* 58	flat bead - stone
	Some interesting plaster profiles emerging. Have also found large pieces of packing for the plaster.
	
	found out that a plastered wall basically has 4 layers: the wall itself a ^{work} plaster backing, the fine surface plaster, then the paint



Trench...150/3...Initials...J.B...Date...7/5/00...Page...
 Locus...7...Spit...2... Locus...8...Spit... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	1	7.2	
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)	1 basket	7.2	
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
59	grind-stone	7.2	?
60	metal, hooky thing	7.2	347
61	nail or hooky thing	7.2	348
62	nail	7.2	349
63	nail	7.2	350
64	nail?	7.2	351
65	worm weight	8	?

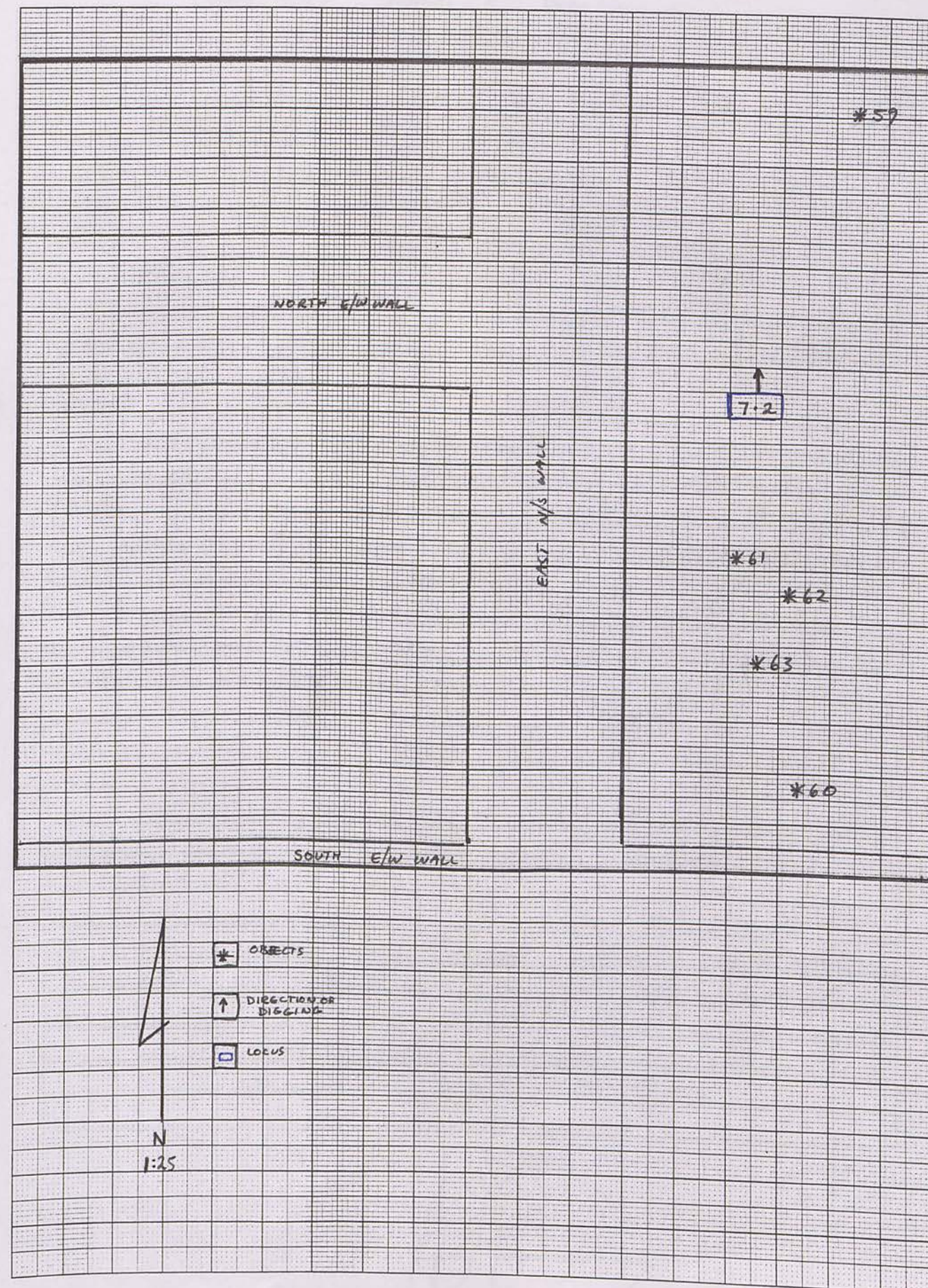
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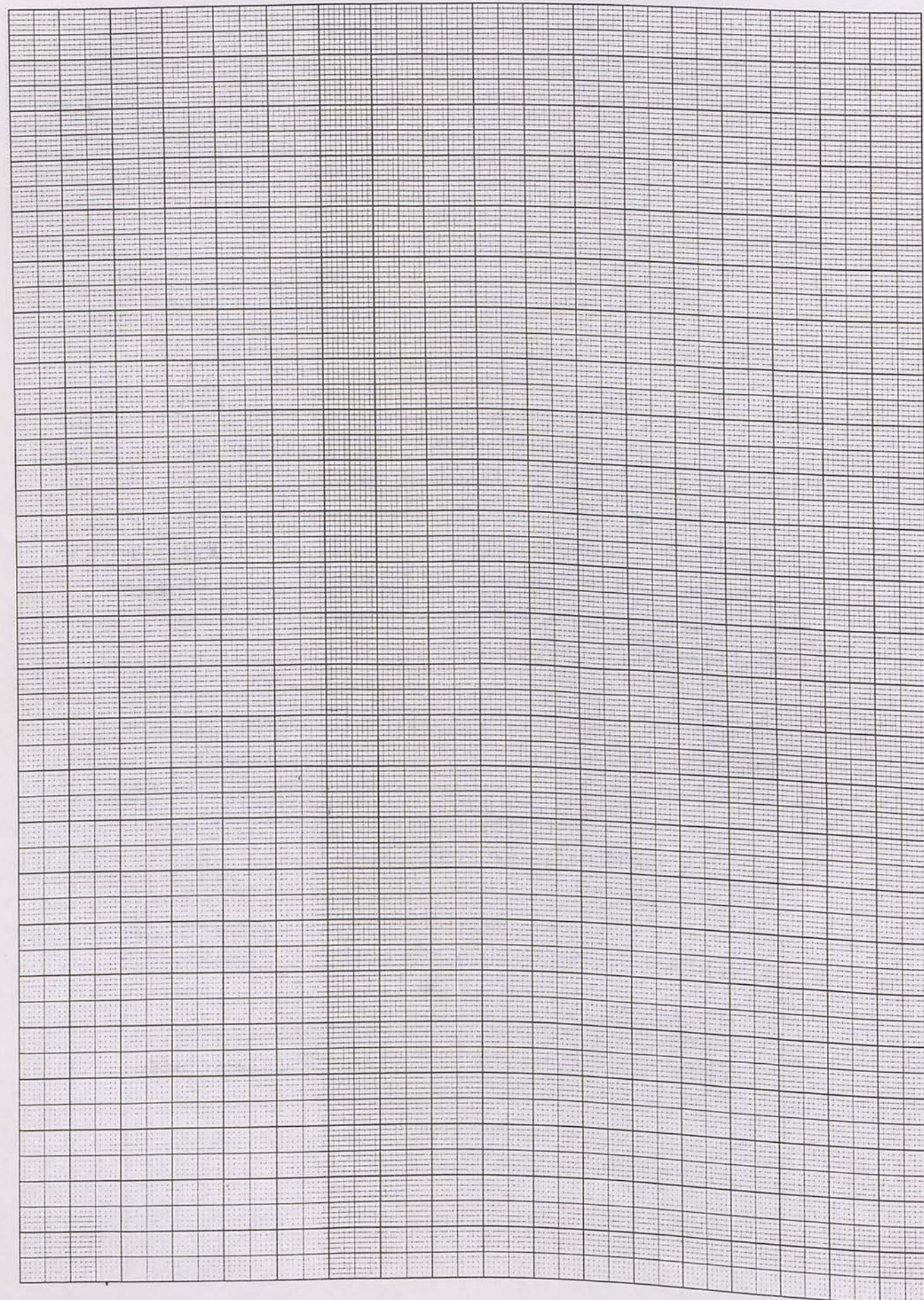
7.2	Continuing to clear soil east of the east n/s wall. I'm tempted to call most of it topsoil because of its obviously disturbed context. Are being careful to cover up any plaster found against a wall
* 59	limestone grindstone ~ 9x17x18cm grinding groove ~ 13cm diam The soil is all the same light grey-brown with small and large rocks in it Shaped basalt flint - some sort of food preparation tray?
* 60	metal, hooky thingy - bent nail?
* 61	As above
* 62	Another nail
* 63	Another nail
* 64	Nail(?)
8	Quick burst to drastically shave back the south side of the north e/w wall in order to find the wall. No stratigraphy available of course
* 65	half of a worm-weight

See previous page of wall stratigraphy for new diagram

1mm Squares



1mm Squares



Trench...150/3...Initials...J.B...Date...8/5/00...Page...
Locus...7...Spit...3...Locus...8...Spit...1...Feature/s...

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	2	7.3	8.1
Bone	1	7.3	
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)	plaster x3	7.3	
Photos bw			
Photos col.	CS36-14		

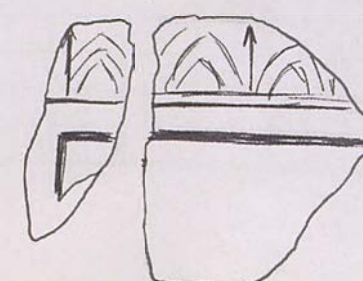
No.	Object	Cont	Cont
66	fig. frag.	7.3	445
67	nail	7.3	385
68	nail	7.3	383
69	Orange pin	8.1	403
70	fig. frag.	8.1	411
71	Iron nail?	8.1	402
72	Iron	8.1	404
73	nail	8.1	

spatula?

Context Report

7.3	Finishing off the last ~25cm spit to reach the floor where 151/9 finished. Will expose the plaster on the east side of the east n/s wall after lunch. The soil in this last spit is comparatively harder. A lot of plaster emerging - red, yellow, black and some decorated.
* 66	fig. frag.
* 67	nail
* 68	nail
8.1	Removal of soil and rocks from in front of plaster wall. This locus includes the wall itself as well. The doorway in the was turns out to have been blocked after all the mind-changing. It was plastered over by the black panel of plaster. The plaster itself is beautiful. Had photos taken and drawings done + measurements by Barry Courtney.

spade down



R-red
B-black
Y-yellow

ROUGH SKETCH

II - object

Level II 20 cm

N

1:25

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	1	1.1	
Bone	1	1.1	
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

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Trench 124/1 Initials LC Date 16/5 Page 1
Locus 1-2 Spit 1-2 Locus 2 Spit 1-2 Feature/s

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery		2.1	3.1
Bone		2.1	3.1
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
1	moulded bowl?	2.1	
2	moulded bowl	3.1	

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Context

Report

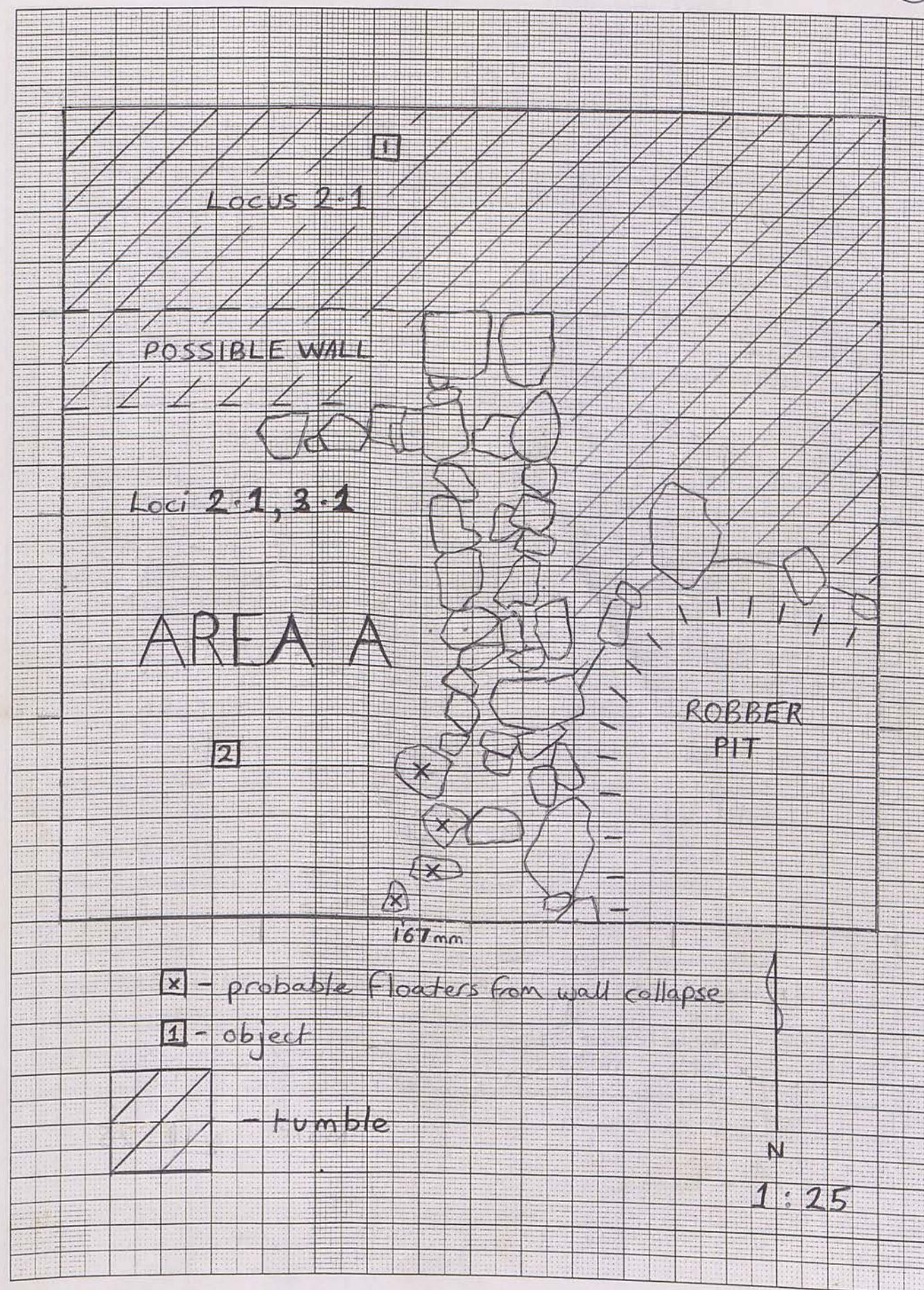
1-1-2	Photos taken after removal of topsoil
2.1	Loc 2.1 Removing tumble - light brown crumbly soil. Some pottery. Sherd removed (1) from close to middle of northern baulk; encrusted - may be relict moulded bowl, or imitation - will clean. 1 piece of bone.
3.1	Clearing area inside 'room'. Soil still crumbly light brown, but with limestone chips throughout. Wall abutting N/S wall from W. Baulk now seems obvious, but not where originally thought! Stones (more than one course - number unclear at this stage) emerging parallel to a south of deceptively wallish-looking tumble in N/W of trench. Need to dig further to ensure not tumble. Lots of largish floaters (stone ones) in centre of 'room' (henceforth Area A). Very small amount of bone.
	Moulded bowl base frag See sketch



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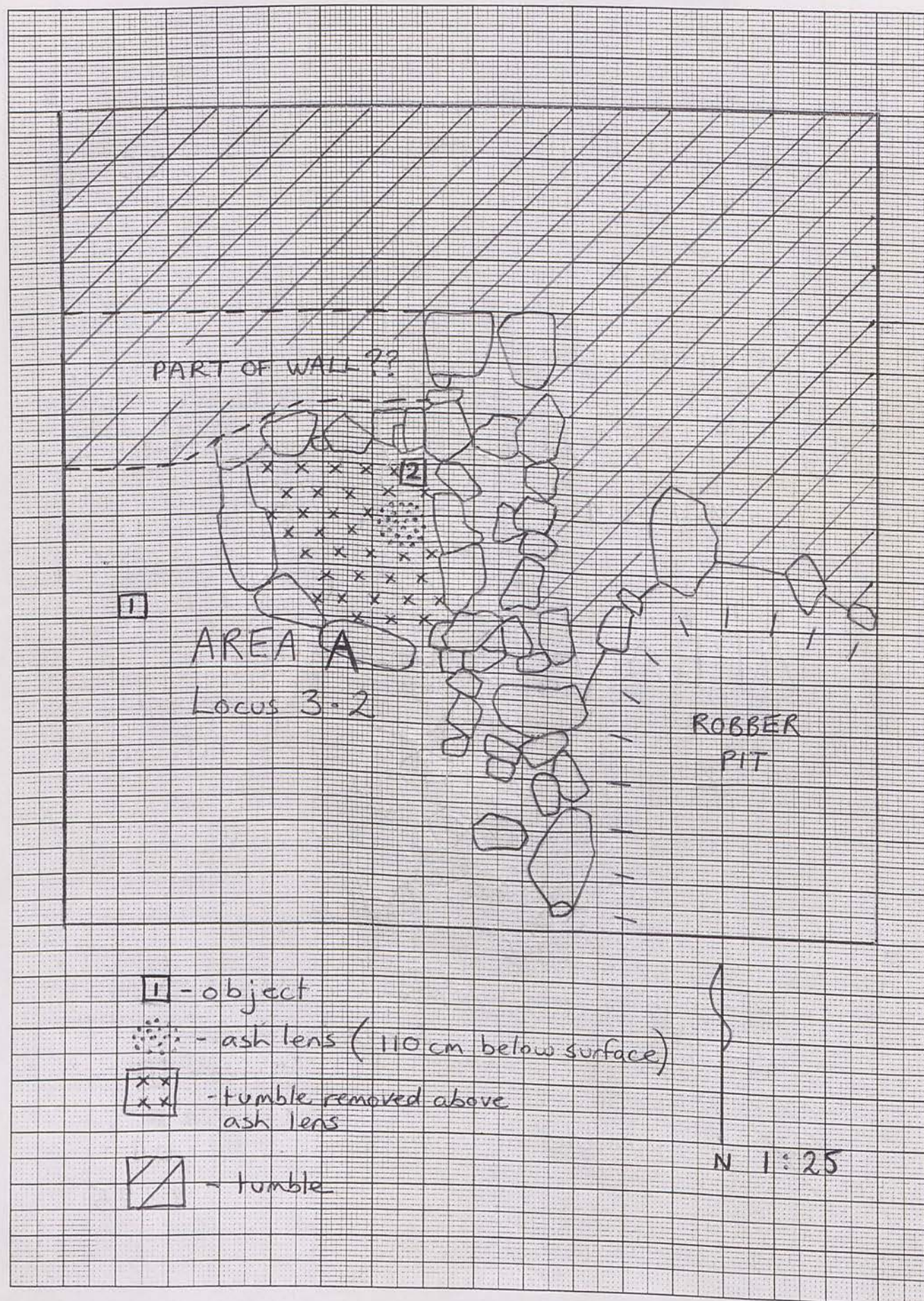
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1mm Squares



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Trench...124/1...Initials...LC...Date...17/5...Page...1/2
Locus...3...Spit...2... Locus...Spit... Feature/s...

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery (one piece tile removed)	3-2		
Bone	3-2		
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
1	lamp frag	3-2	
2	iron arrow head	3-2	
3	moulded bowl frag	3-2	(removed from roll)

546
558
804

φ - personal - roll #1 26-28?

Context Report

3-2	Continuing to clear Area A. More of the same - light brown crumbly soil with limestone chips and frequent tumble. Removed four stones indicated on plan which appear to be tumble from wall. Some bone. 2 worked ceramic r/ship disks recovered near centre of N/S wall. In ceramic bag #1. Line of E/W wall now appears to possibly extend to W Baulk. Tumble to North of wall comes down to join it, but not possible at this stage to tell exactly what rocks belong to wall. There is a gap between stones marked as tumble on plan and those indicated as wall - further excavation required to clarify this.
1	3-2 Lamp Frag (base) Found near mid - W. Baulk
2	3-2 Iron arrow head Found in NE corner of Area A. Lots of tumble NE corner Area A. N/S wall has apparent gap filled with rubble. No door lintels. Gap starts halfway down & seems to be about 60cm at bottom but may extend to Sth Baulk. Robber pit damage on other side unhelpful!
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Trench.....Initials.....Date..... Page.....
Locus.....Spit..... Locus.....Spit..... Feature/s.....

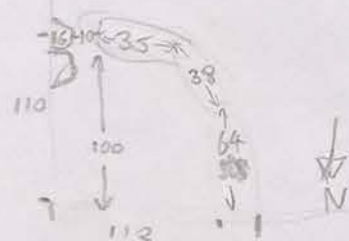
	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery			
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

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Context

Report

Large ^(50cm) worked stone extending SE from E/W wall, adjoining E/W wall. Possibly fallen from wall - does not seem large enough for door upright. Adjoins smaller Ash lens (≈ 15 cm diameter) in NE corner of Area A. 110cm from surface. Slightly lower than 2. worked stones is a third - curving around to E. Raultk. Ash lens is in centre of arc. Possibly oven? Poss storage area? Tomorrow digging outside stone are to find floor - ash lens likely to be resting on floor.



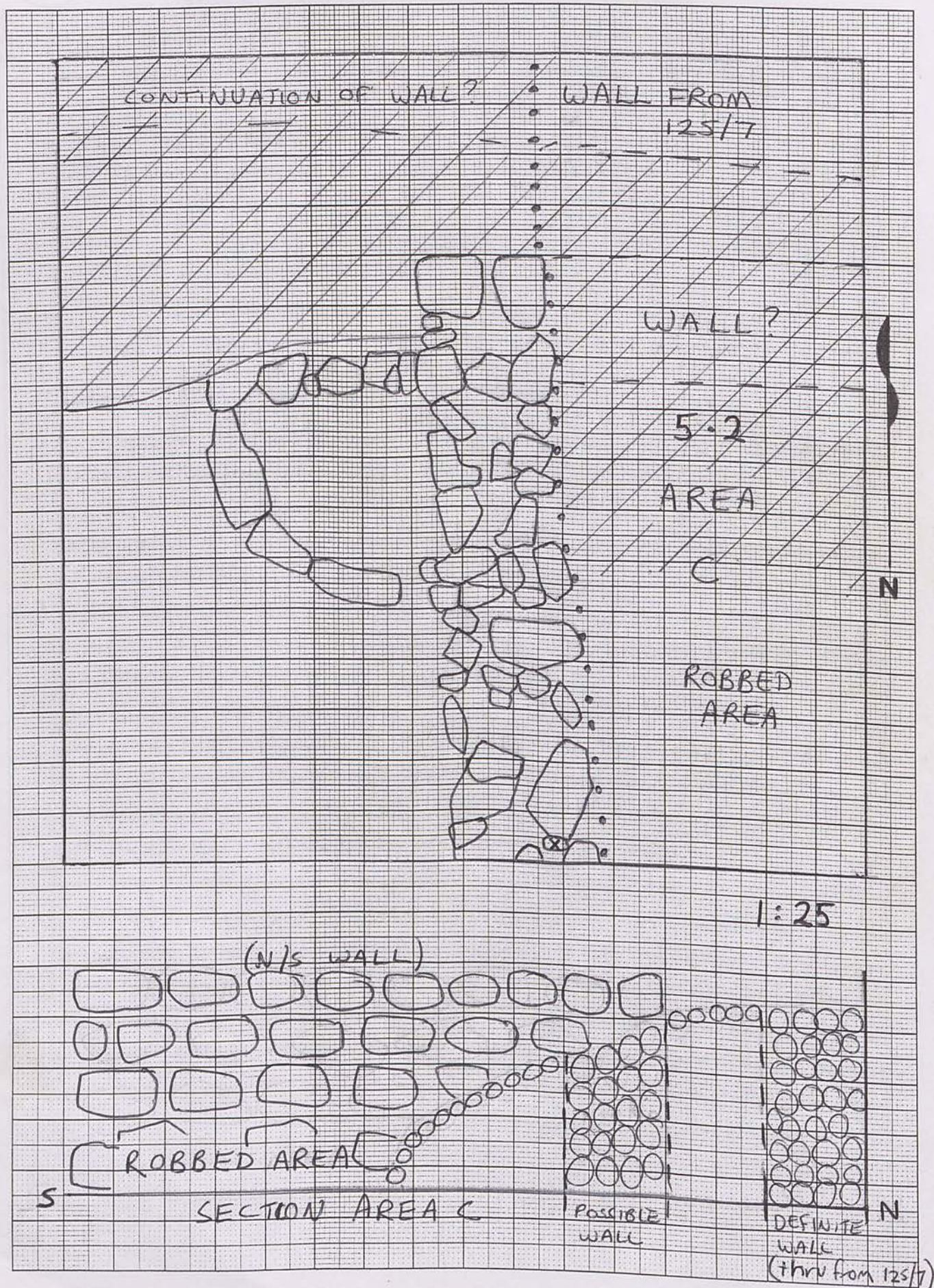
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... - delineating Area C
 ▨ - tumble

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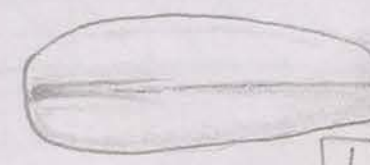
Trench... 124/1... Initials... Date 20/5/00 Page 1/2
 Locus... 5... Spit... 2... Locus... 6... Spit... 1... Feature/s...

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery		52	6.1
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
+	Worked stone? but	Fossil	

Context Report

5.2	Continuing to remove tumble from Area C. Incorporating Area D as unclear whether E/W wall is continuing into F. Baulk. Tumble appears to lead down following contour of jebel, but difficult to tell due to robbing. Wall does appear to run along N. Baulk (continuation from adjacent trench (125/7)). Small amount of ceramic.
6.1	Extending trench. Removing baulk 125/7 - 124/1. Unclear whether speculated wall is just tumble until further clearing eastwards. Baulk 160cm at north end, 130cm at south. Small amount of ceramic coming up in surface clearing. Wall running along N. Baulk clearly exposed. Worked stone? Found in baulk clearing. Wall leading into E. blk now seems clearer, although gap b/w it and N/S wall. May have tumbled, or may be over-enthusiastic rock removal by Fatouma. Small piece of plaster backing or highly abraded green glaze (tiny blue patches on surface) found in blk. Clearing included with pottery.



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Trench.....124/1.....Initials.....LC.....Date.....20/5/00.....Page.....2/2
Locus.....6.....Spit.....1..... Locus.....Spit..... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery		6-2	
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
2	glass frag?	6.2	
3	^{Metal} iron nails??	6.2	
4	plaster	6.2	

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Context

Report

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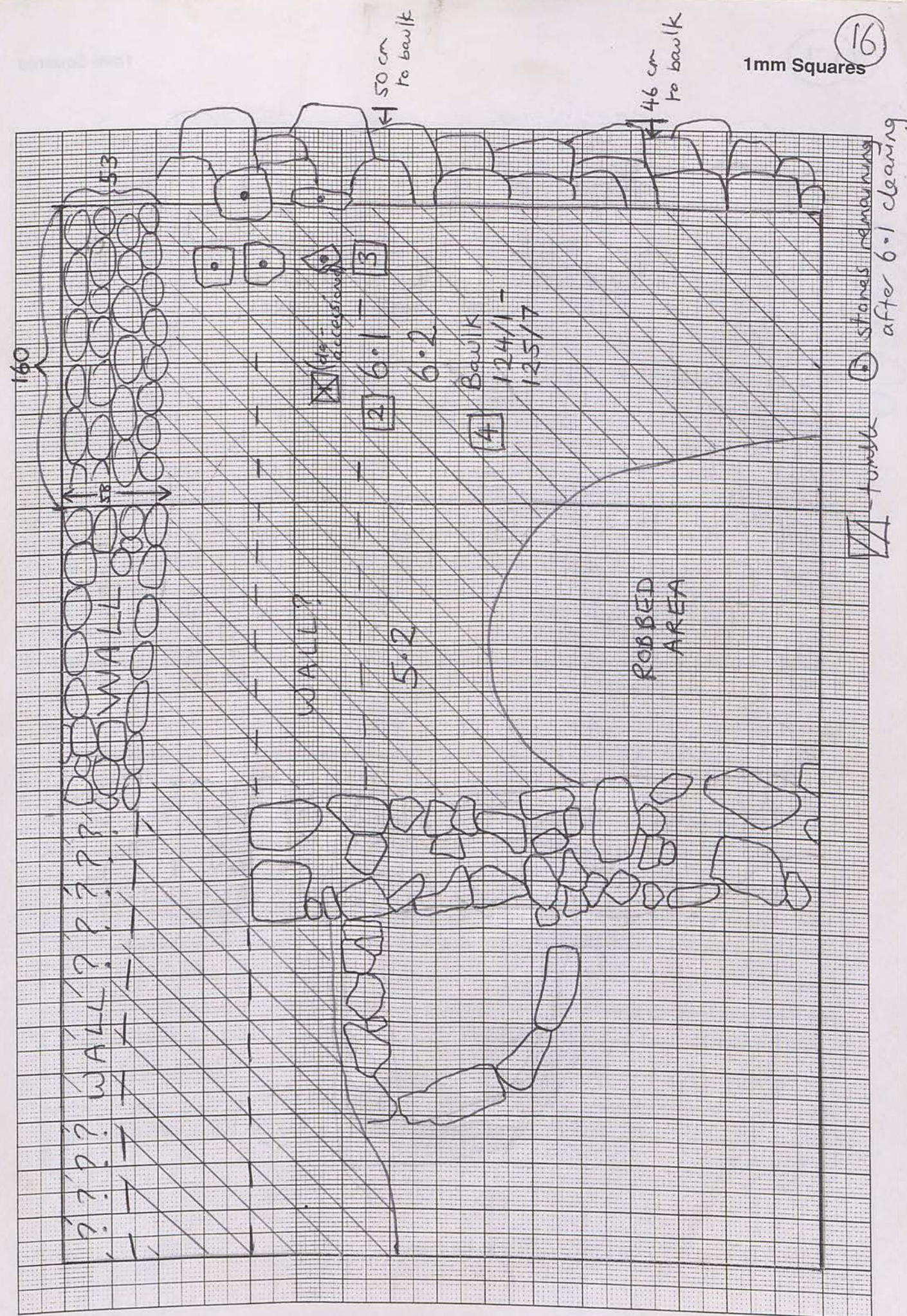
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1mm Squares



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Trench.....Initials.....Date..... Page....
Locus.....Spit..... Locus.....Spit..... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery			
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

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Context

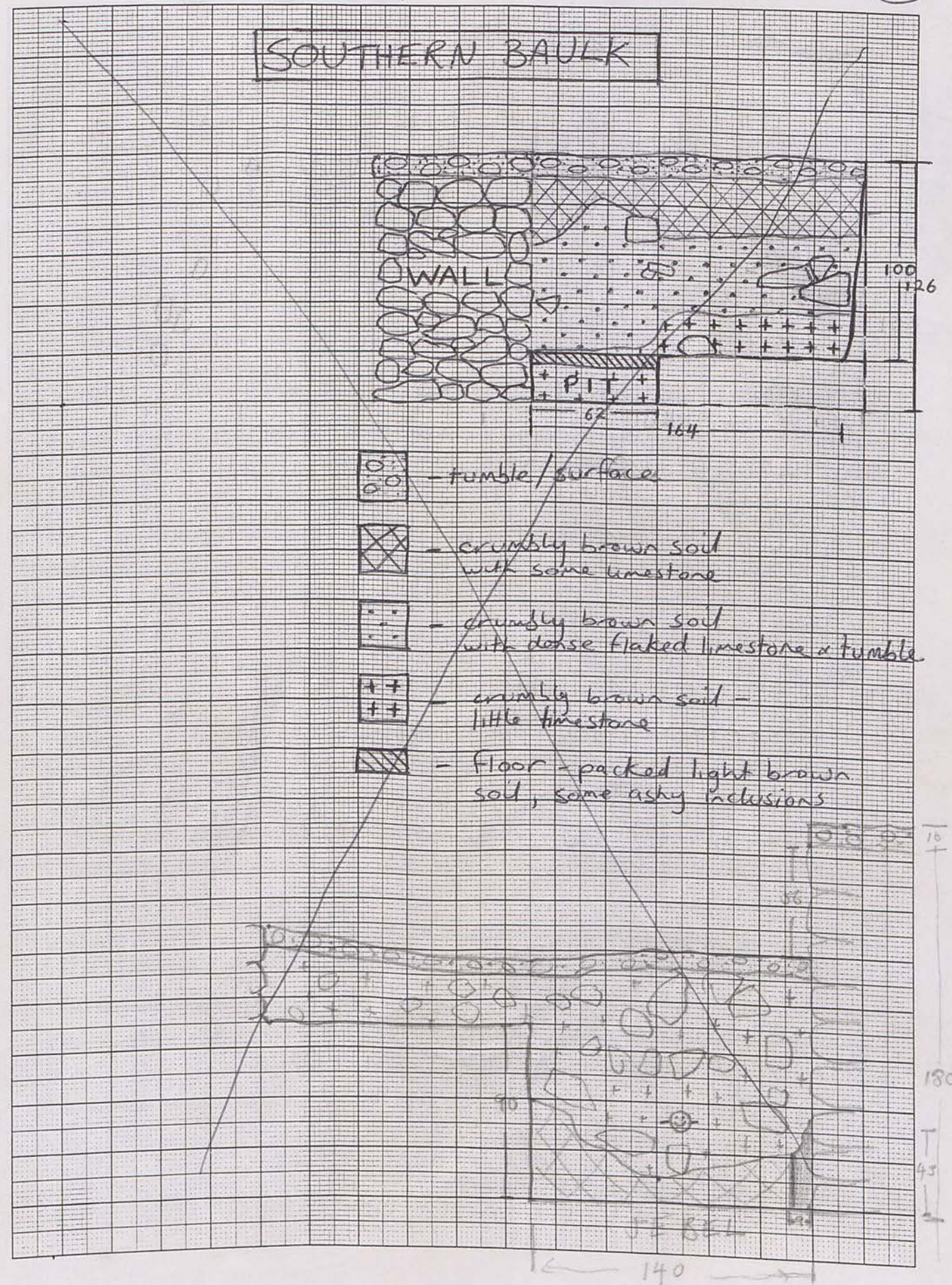
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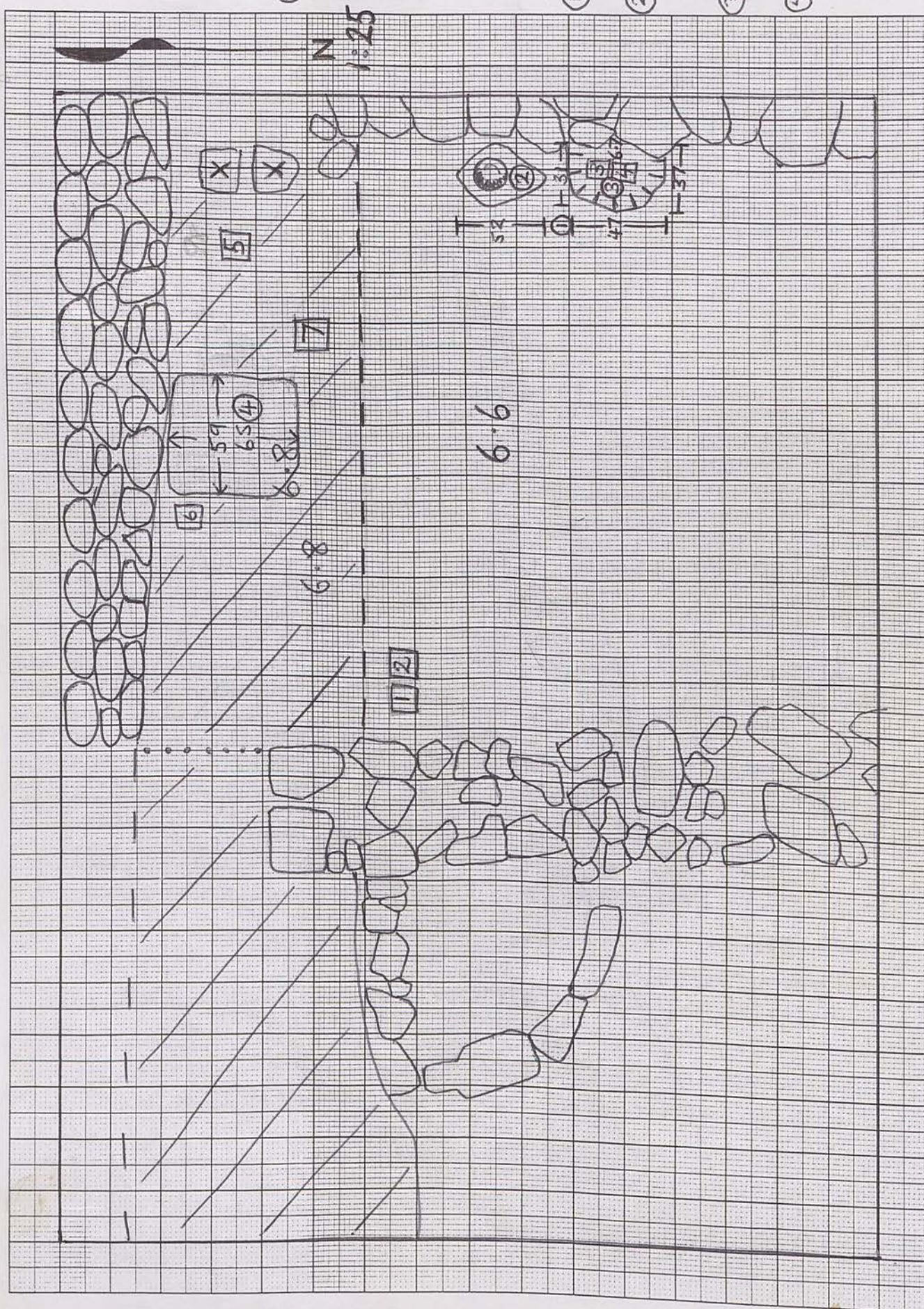
 plaster
 - lowest plastic bag

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Wall 185 cm from HJ's floor
85 cm high (incl 1/2 br)

- tumble
- removed (tumble)
- object
- level
- pit

- Levels
- ① 55 cm from top of wall.
 - ② 30 cm from top of wall (top of quern)
 - ③ 65.5 cm from top wall bottom of pit
 - ④ 102 cm from surface



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Trench 124/1 Initials LC Date 22/6/60 Page 1
Locus 6 Spit 5 Locus 6 Spit 7 Feature/s

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery		6.6	6.7 6.8
Bone		6.6	6.7 6.8
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
1	Bronze frag	6.6	6.74
2	Loomweight	6.6	6.71
3	Lamp	6.7	6.73
4	Metal frag	6.7	6.84
5	Metal frag	6.8	6.82
6	Poss metal thing	6.8	burnt bone
7	Bronze frag	6.8	6.75

Context Report

6.6	Clearing down to floor level. Soil light brown/medium brown soft - not great deal of limestone. Some pottery. When floor defined will remove tumble to see how far extends towards N. Wk. Presumably stops at wall along N. Wk. One plaster frag discarded. Bronze frag (part of chain link?) and one loomweight found close to each other just above floor
6.7	Nearly complete lamp found in pit south of quern. Pit contains some pottery, burnt fine soil. Very little bone. Metal frag. Pit 19 cm deep.
6.8	Removing tumble from north of Area C. Soil light brown, crumbly, lots & lots of tumble. Will take down in 2 spits - 1 m large rocks & tumble. Then next spit will be softer soil (c. 30 cm) resting on floor (adjacent to 6.6)
	Metal frag found near NE corner. Poss part of nail. Long skinny possibly metal thing found near wall in N. Wk.
	Enormous rock surfaced in tumble abutting Northern wall. Unclear yet whether part of structure (59x65x36)
	2 bronze frags. Earring maybe?



Type 14

23

Trench 124/1 Initials LC Date 23/5/00 Page 1
Locus 6 Spit 9 Locus 6 Spit 10 Feature/s

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery		6.9	6.10
Bone		6.9	6.10
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
1	Bronze Frag	6.9	
2	Persian rider frag	6.9	
3	Bronze Frag	6.9	
4	Loomweight	6.9	
5	Iron spike	6.10	
6	Loomweight	6.10	
7	Loomweight	6.10	
8	Bone point	6.10	
9	Basalt Slab	6.10	

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739
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708
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709
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Context Report

6.9	Continuing to remove rubble - no change in colour, texture. Enormous rock to be left in place (Too big to move anyway!). Some pottery in rubble, little bone.
	Bronze thing shaped like dog head found near N. Alb.
	Persian rider frag found near same place as bronze frag.
	Bronze frag - thick rail?
	Loomweight located near other objects.
6.10	Locus 6.9 taken down to 150cm in NW corner of Area C. Will reach floor shortly.
	Iron spike (woodworking tool?) found near enormous rock.
	Loomweight in NW corner area C - below other loomweights & objects.
	Enormous rock pedestal - leave in place as too large to move.
	2 loomweights found together.
	Bone point near W. edge of Area C. Basalt Slab east edge.
7.1	Divided Area C into 2 (digging area 140cm from N/S wall. Soil darker brown. Disturbed in area of Roblor pit - plastic bag found.

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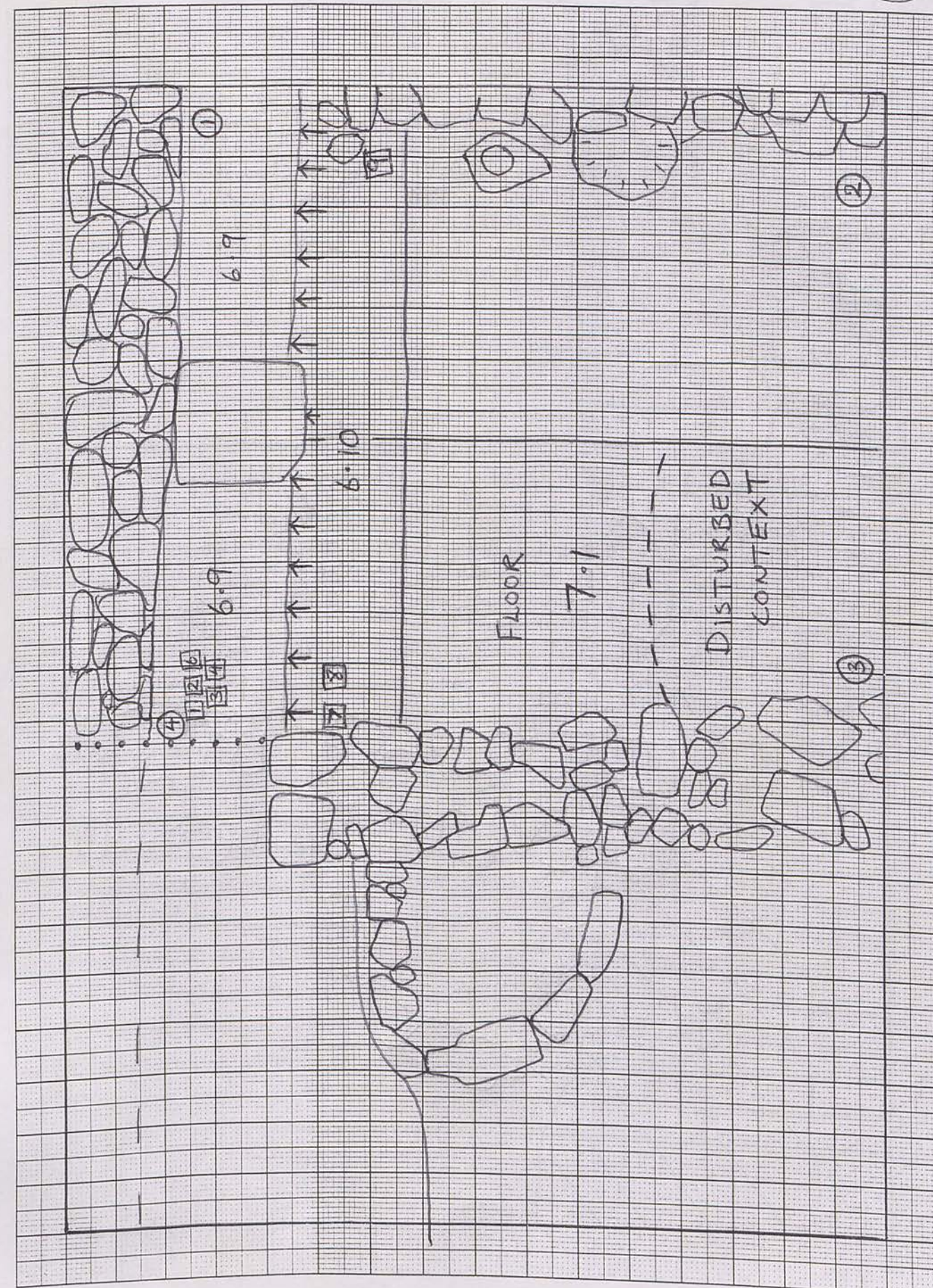


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Levels
① 98 (6.9) - 150 (completion of 6.9)
② 72 (to top of wall)
③ 95
④ 150 (at completion of 6.9) - 156 (at completion of 6.10)

1mm Squares

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Trench 124/1 Initials LC Date 24/5/00 Page 2
 Locus 7 Spit 2-3 Locus Spit Feature/s

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery		7.4	7.5-6
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

Plaster

No.	Object	Cont	Cont

Context

Report

7.2	Tumble to south of new wall at same level or slightly lower.
7.4	Have come to bottom of robbed area (127cm from top of S. blk). New spit covers area S. blk to new wall. Removing tumble. Soil Cadbury drinking chocolate coloured, limestone chips mostly assoc. to tumble. Appear to have reached top of plaster, 25cm below top of wall. Soil slightly harder packed.
7.5-6	Plastic bag in wall! Bugger. Going back to 2 spits - 7.5 disturbed, 7.6 to north. Plastic bag is 110cm from top of wall.
7.6	Uncovered top 5-10cm plaster. North wall has red & black panels, West wall has yellow, but only 10cm appears to be preserved. Some plaster fall collected. Expect to reach floor shortly. Yellow plaster come appearing further along wall but lower.

124/4 H.A.

Trench 124/1 Initials LC Date 25/5/00 Page 1
 Locus 7 Spit 7-8 Locus Spit Feature/s

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery		7.7	7.8
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

where?
must be
all body
sherds.

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
1	Plaster Fall	7.8	
2	Iron nails x 6	7.7-8	

(28)

Context

Report

7.7-8	Taking down in 5 cm spits until floor reached. Still working in 2 separate spits as plastic still coming up at commencement of 7.7. Soil in 7.7 darker than 7.8 & lots of limestone - essentially tumble or modern fill.
7.8	Lots of plaster fall coming up. Red, black frags. Western wall has yellow border 7cm wide around white interior - appears relief panel degraded or removed. Black & red panels on North wall intact. Red skirting emerging on W. wall. Dirt buffer left on N. Wall prior to 7.8 later on. Some* very nice decorated (geometrically) pieces. Some show evidence of repainting - black on red & black on black, & red on yellow - all degraded & dirty - hard to tell if applied decoration or second coat of paint.
7.7-8	Have reached bedrock! 6 iron nails/frags found across jebel. Cannot tell if robbed to jebel in 7.7, but seems unlikely as nails found on same level as undisturbed context.

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■ - black
 ■ - yellow
 ■ - red.

(29)

Trench.....124/1.....Initials.....LC.....Date.....23/5/00.....Page.....2.....
Locus.....Spit..... Locus.....Spit..... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery		8.1	
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

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Context

Report

8.1 - Taking down tumble in NW trench to define 2 walls. Expect same as walls appear 124/4. Soil crumble light brown - lots of big rocks and fair amount of pottery. Hooked metal object found 40 cm from surface amongst tumble.


 - put
 apparent
 after
 sweeping


 - ash pit
 apparent
 after
 sweeping

Levels

① 147 (at start)
(7.7-8)

② 81

③ 180 (jebel)

④ 187 (jebel)

⑤ 40

1mm Squares

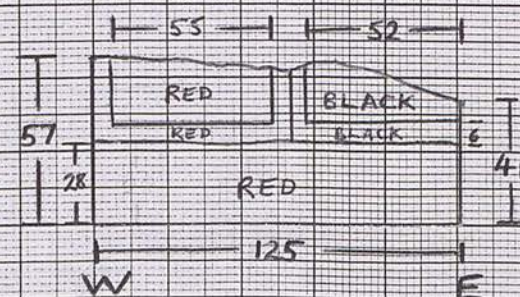
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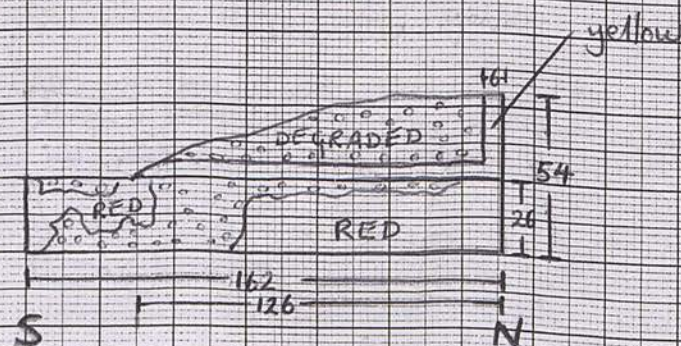
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PLASTER

E/W WALL



N/S WALL



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Trench 1241 Initials LC Date 27/5/00 Page 1
 Locus 3 Spit 2 Locus Spit Feature/s

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery			
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
1	plaster	8.2	
2	plaster	8.2	
3	worked stone?	8.2	de-accessioned

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Context

Report

8.2	Clearing for final photo. E/W wall has been defined to depth of c10cm only as large tumble making further clearing difficult. After sweeping burning has become apparent on rocks around pit near quern. Another pit has emerged in NE corner of trench - not very deep (c 5 cm). Some burnt soil in this new pit. Line of robber pit cutting thru eastern division of Area C has also become clear. Easy to see where floor destroyed by robbing.
[1] [2]	Clearing plaster for Φ - some broken pieces coming up
[3]	Poss. worked stone - appears to have small drill-holes. Found near northern plaster wall. In final sweep ash lens apparent in SE corner of trench on edge of robber trench line. Photos of plaster, area C & Area A.
8.2	Pit in NE corner (48x40x5cm) appears to have been cut through floor, or is under it. Floor stops in line with southern edge of pit and edge runs roughly parallel with N blk as far as big rock.

Trench.....Initials.....Date..... Page....
Locus.....Spit..... Locus.....Spit..... Feature/s.....

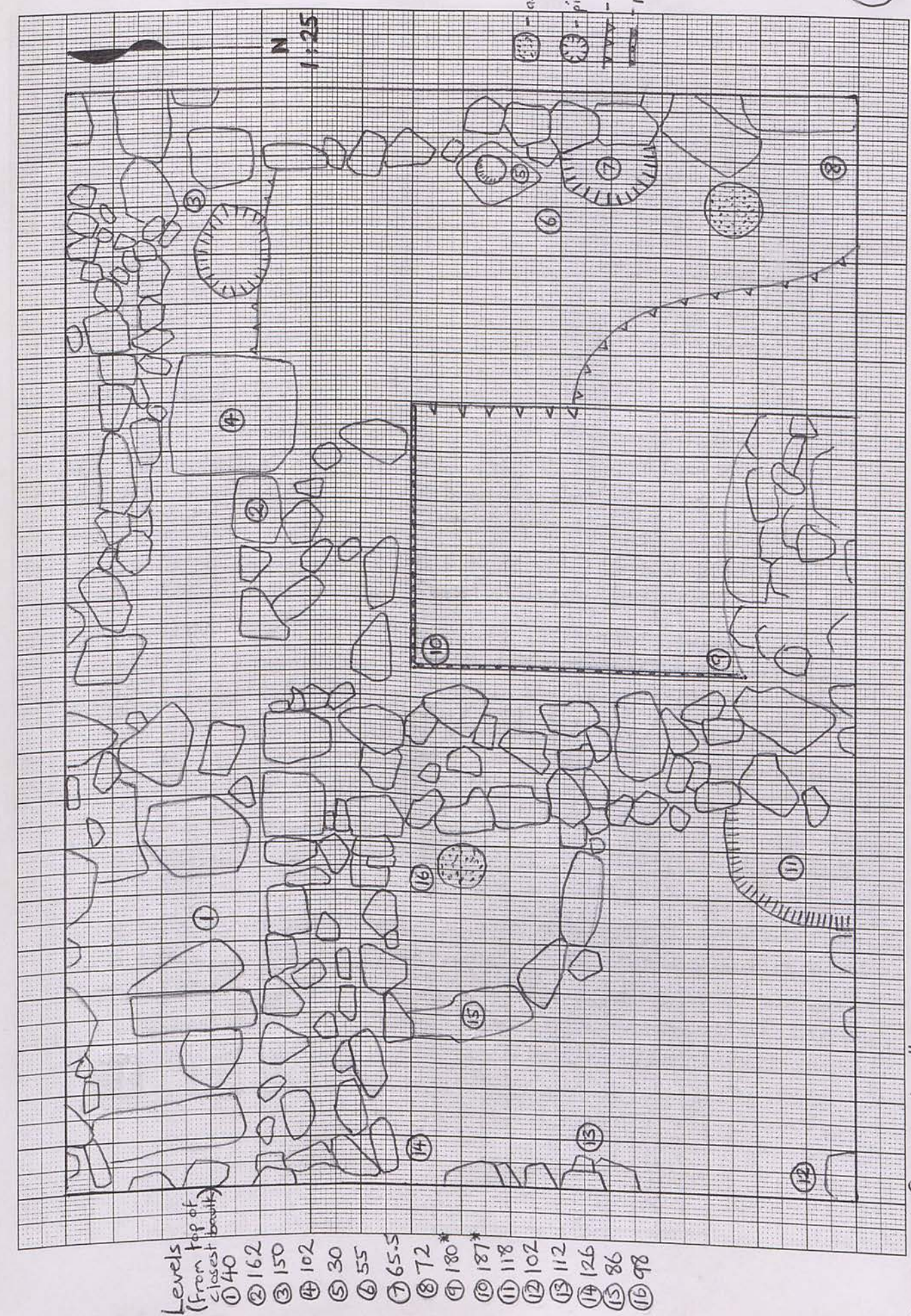
	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery			
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont

Context	Report
	FINAL REPORT
	Two distinct phases of occupation are discernible, and within the first two sub-phases are possible. Phase One is associated with the plastered walls resting on bedrock. The condition of the plaster just above bedrock suggests another floor may have been used later. This floor was not detected, but extensive robbing disturbed this area, and plastic bags were found to levels c 30 cm above bedrock. Plaster at southern end has suffered damage from robbing. <u>Relatively small amount</u> of ceramics and bone. 6 iron nails found on bedrock, consistent with findings in 125/7. Plaster on E/W wall is on wall continued from 125/7. This wall appears to have played no part in secondary occupation as is covered by floor. Was probably leveled deliberately at time of Phase 2. Plaster on N/S wall is on wall used also in secondary phase*. This wall extends to south. Only small section of trench taken down to Phase 1 due to time constraints.

but in phase II plaster removed? or renewed? or what?
Most plaster on floor but some found higher - result of robbing?

FINAL PLAN



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Trench.....Initials.....Date..... Page....
Locus.....Spit..... Locus.....Spit..... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery			
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

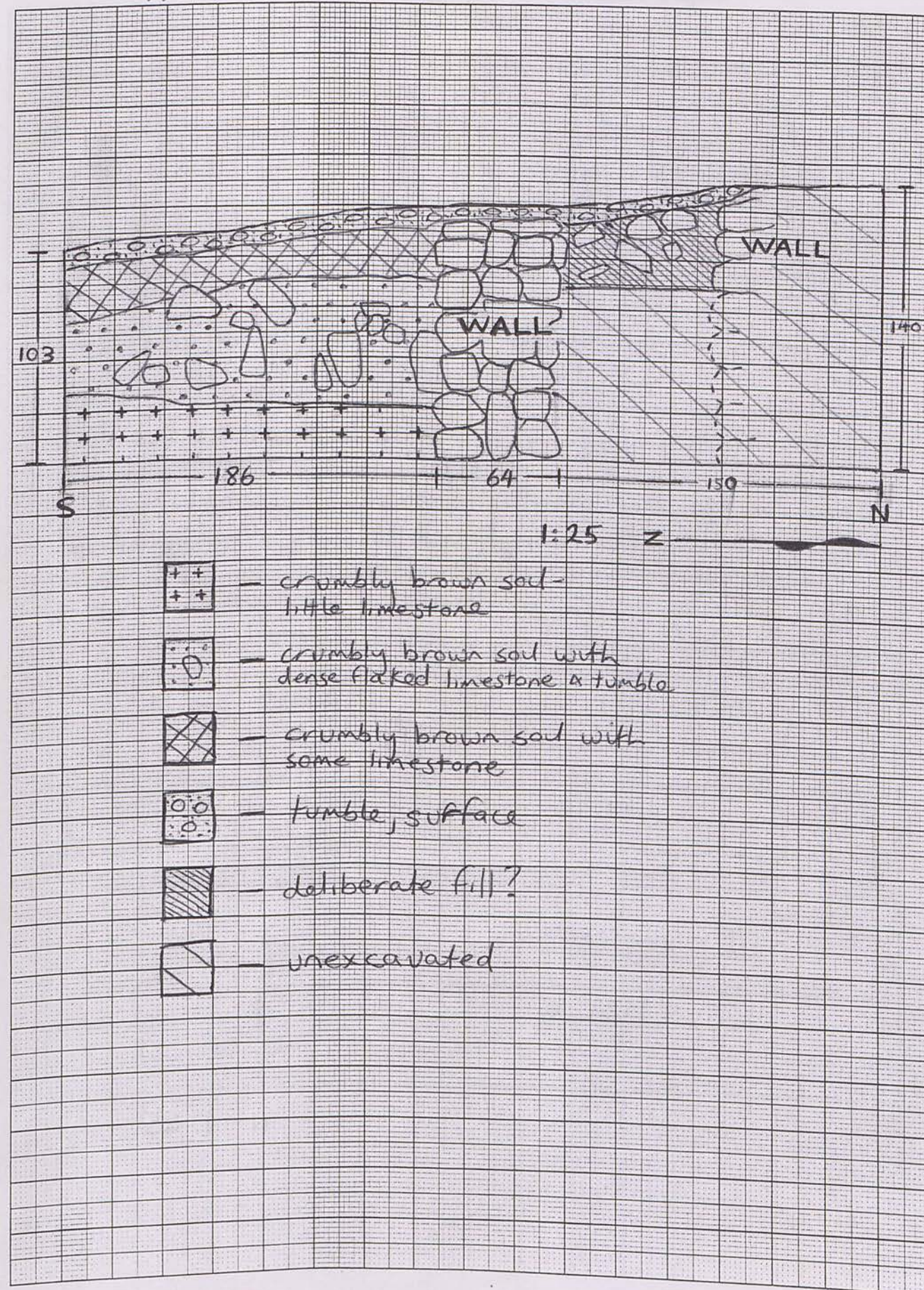
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Context Report

Filled (probably at time eastern room constructed).
At this time secondary N/S wall built on E. blk
abutting northern wall and 'passage' blocked to
prevent access. (Just a thought). Western
room has floor on same level as eastern. There
is a pit, and a stone curved 'storage area'
associated with this floor. Possible that ^{this room} goes
down to Phase One as both walls potentially
older. However corners not bonded: possibly then
secondary E/W wall? I DON'T KNOW!!!!

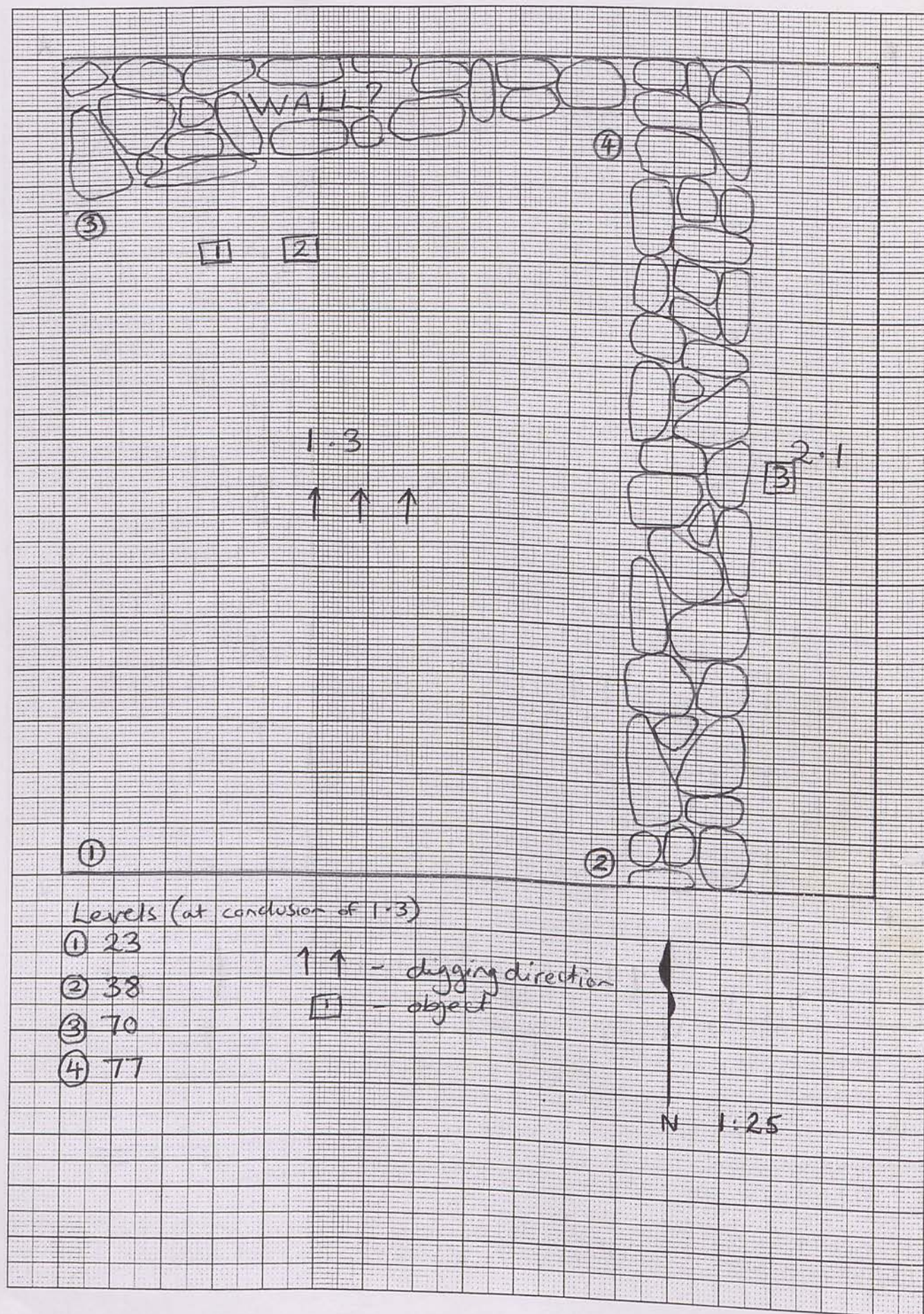
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WESTERN BAULK



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1.1 - c 500 (44)
1.2 - c 200
1.3 - c 30-40
2.1 - c 30-40

Trench 100/1 Initials LC Date 29/5/00 Page 1
Locus 1 Spit 3 Locus 2 Spit 1 Feature/s

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery		1.3	2.1
Bone		2.1 (+ tooth)	
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
1	Lamp Frag	1.3	
2	bronze link?	1.3	
3	Iron Frag	2.1	

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Context Report

1.3	Removing top 2 courses of tumble in northern half of trench. Same as 1.2 - crumbly light brown soil with lots of tumble. Will be deeper than 1.2 due to slope of jebel.
1.2	Lamp Frag (nozzle) and bronze frag (chain link?) found in northern area. Some pottery, some bone (+ one tooth). Another wall possibly meets N/S wall at right angle along N blk. Looks a little dodgy at this stage, but will be clearer when next spit taken down.
2.1	New context East of N/S wall. Taking down to define eastern edge of wall. Tomorrow will go down further in area west of wall with a view to establishing whether E/W stones are just tumble, or form wall.
3	Iron Frag (shaped like allen key) found middle eastern area.



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bag 2 = jar & handle
bag 3 = torpedo jar

Trench.....100/1.....Initials.....L.C.....Date.....30/5/00 Page.....1/2
Locus.....3.....Spit.....1..... Locus.....Spit..... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	3	3.1	3.1/2.1/2
Bone		3.1	
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
1	Metal Frags	3.1	
2	Metal handle?	3.1	
3	Iron baton	3.1	

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Context Report

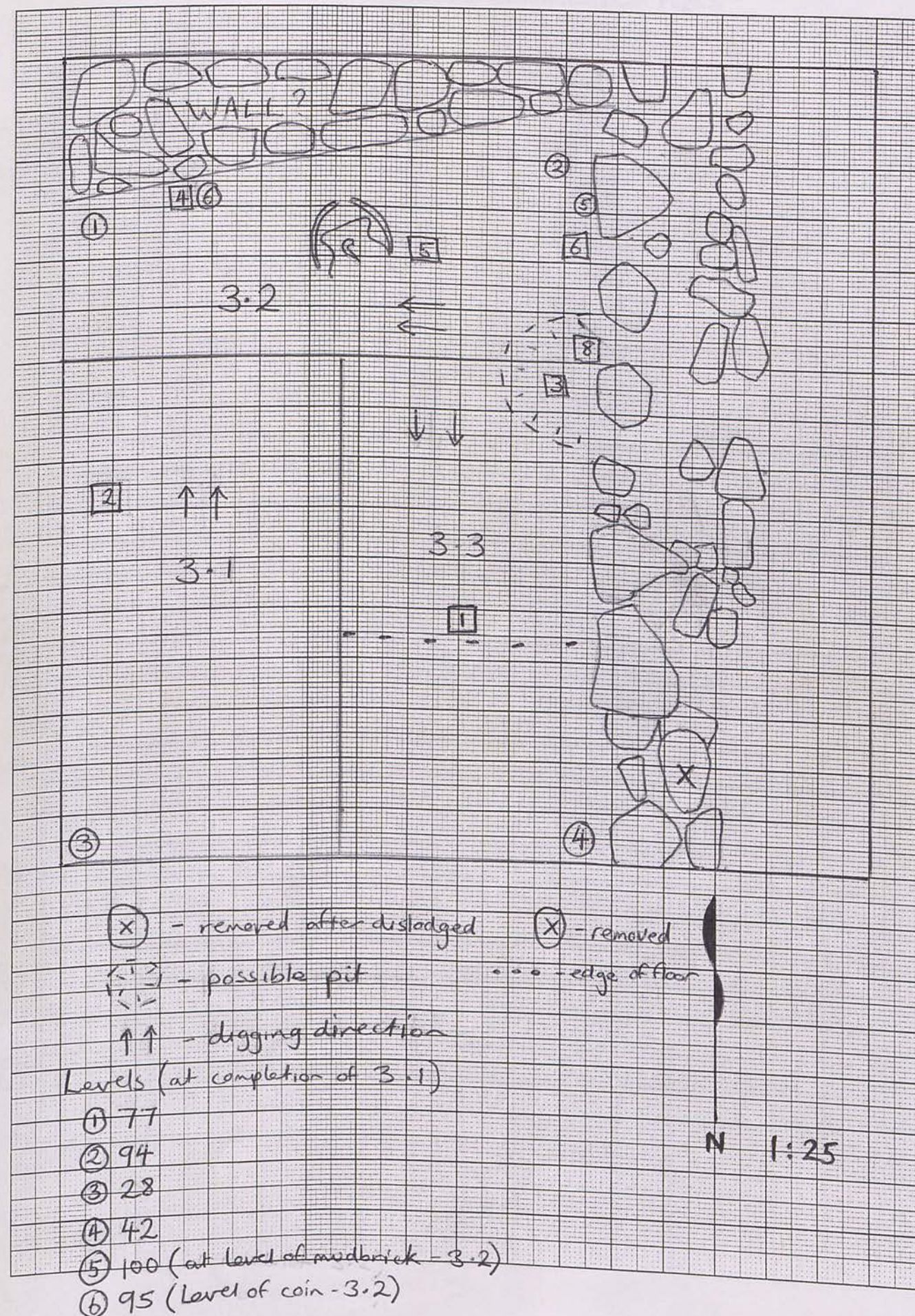
3.1	Taking down western area. Having second thoughts about wall running e/w. Hopefully will clarify this later, but at this stage looking more like rubble. Locus 3.1 starts under rubble already removed. Soil crumbly light brown. Pottery, bone
1	3 Flat metal frags - maybe broken blade(?) found.
2	Metal strap handle(?) found.
	Large frags of at least 2 vessels found mid E/W wall. Large pieces - reconstructable?
	One is large jar & handle, other may be pithos or large jar. To be taken of jar with handle in situ.
	Pots were resting on what previously had been identified as a quern (sim to 124/1). Not possible to ascertain which vessel resting in hollow. Taking down 3.1 to reach floor that 'pot-holder' is resting on. Dividing trench into 2. Will begin by taking northern part down to floor.
3	Iron pointy thing ~10cm long found near N/S wall
	Nice piece of moulded bowl in pottery (see below)

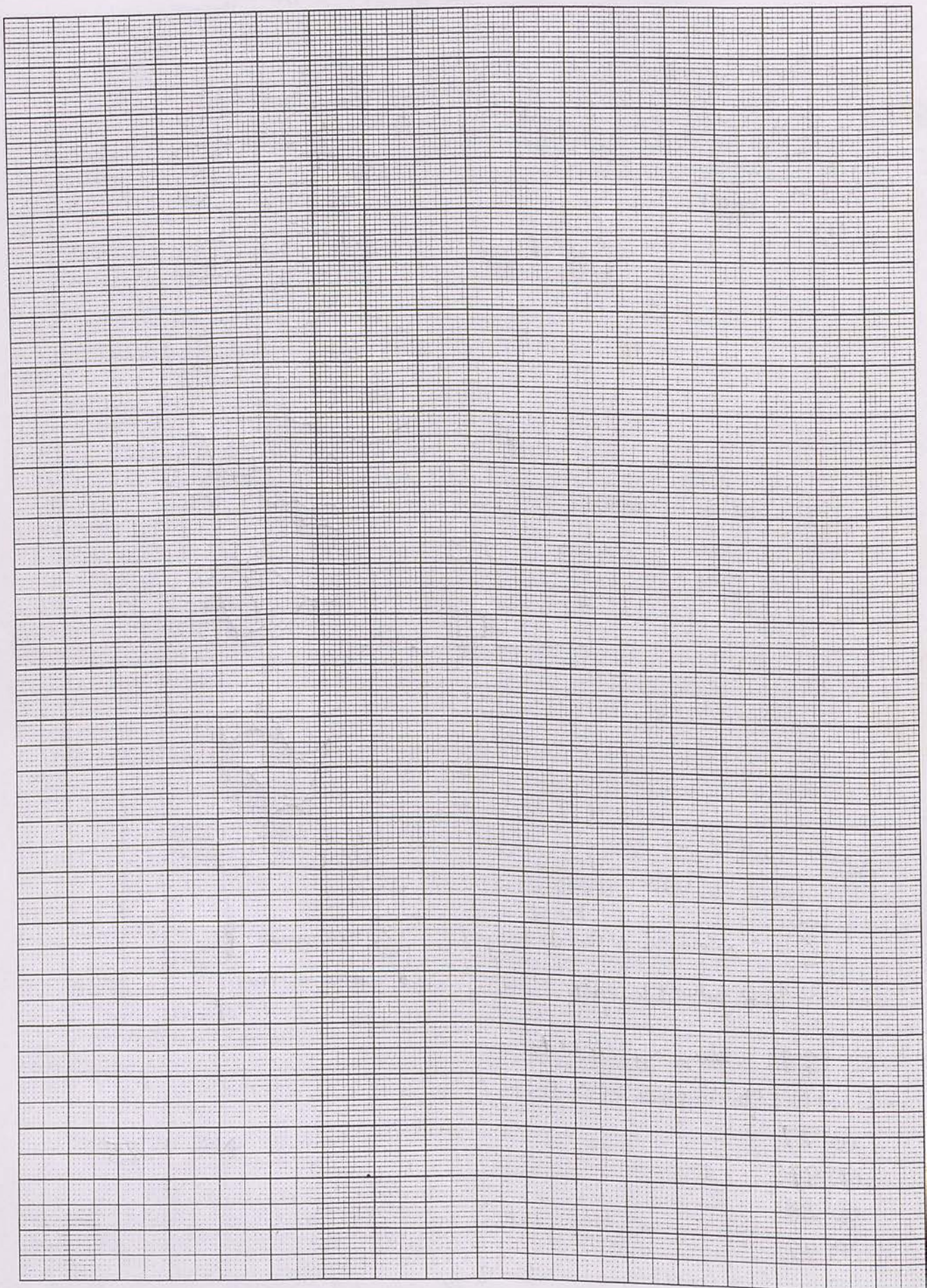
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Trench 100/1 Initials LC Date 30/5/00 Page 2/2
 Locus 3 Spit 2 Locus Spit Feature/s

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery		3.2	
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
4	Coin	3.2	
5	Glass frag	3.2	
6	Worked bone	3.2	
7	Iron ring	3.3	
8	Loomweight	3.3	

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- 913
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Context Report

3.2 Divided trench into 2 - taken line 150 cm from N. blk to mark 3.2. Will take down to floor then excavate similar strip in south of trench. Pots from above 'pot-holder' first appear in 3.1, but reach 3.2. Pots to depth 30-40 cm. Coin found 95 cm from surface along E/W wall. Glass frag found east of pots. Worked bone. Found near N/S wall. Mudbrick? in wall 100 cm from surface. Unusual shape - □ - but may be degraded? Soil darker at level of mudbrick. Have reached floor. Has pot holder sunk into it level with surface and lots of crushed pottery. Will clean up tomorrow for φ.

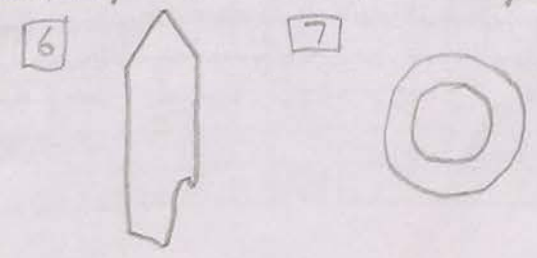
3.3 New locus taking strip 260 cm from E. blk to N/S wall. Pit(?) appearing at intersection of 3.2/3. Loomweight against wall and some burning in pit area. Need to define edges of 'pit' and establish if more loomweights.

Iron ring found in 'pit' (similar to ring found 124/1 locus 3.3). Tiny fragment yellow plaster (discarded)

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3.4 - 30cm

3.5 - floor clearing

3.5 - 20cm

Trench.....Initials.....Date 3/5/00 Page 1/2

Locus.....Spit..... Locus.....Spit..... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery		3.4	
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
1	Loomweights x2	3.4	
2	Glass Frag	3.6	

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Context

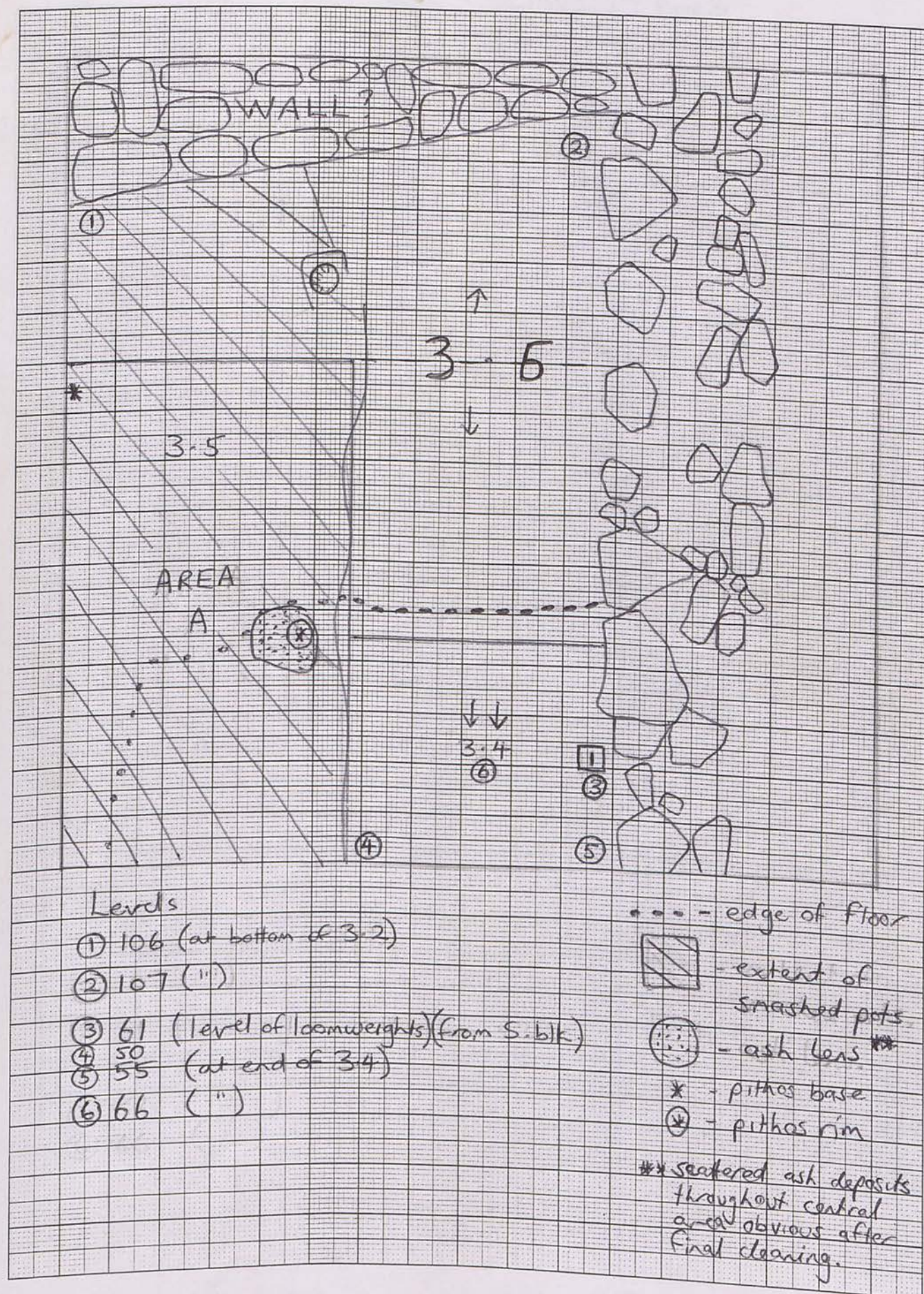
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3.4	Taking down similar spit south of 3.3 to complete N/S strip west of wall. Will take down to level of floor then clear 3.2 area for Φ.
1	More loomweights found resting against wall ≈ 120 cm from loomweight in 3.3 at same level (61 cm from surface at south). Floor doesn't appear to continue into 3.4 - soil is darker softer. Will define edges of floor for Φ. Floor stops 128 cm from southern haulk. After Φ will take this area down to see if there is primary floor. I am certain that there is no E/W Wall. Courses of rubble are pedestalled after ≈ 50cm
3.6	Floor clearing. Also extending Area A to locate extent of pottery on floor. Broken torpedo jar looks almost like deliberate paving
3.5	Extension into Area A
Φ	Photo taken of given and broken pithos.
3.6	Removing pottery. Largest amount is pithos but at least 2 other vessels identified

After cleaning there does not appear to be a pit - possibly floor degraded - some burning, but not concentrated particularly in this area - after cleaning burnt patches appear across entire floor.

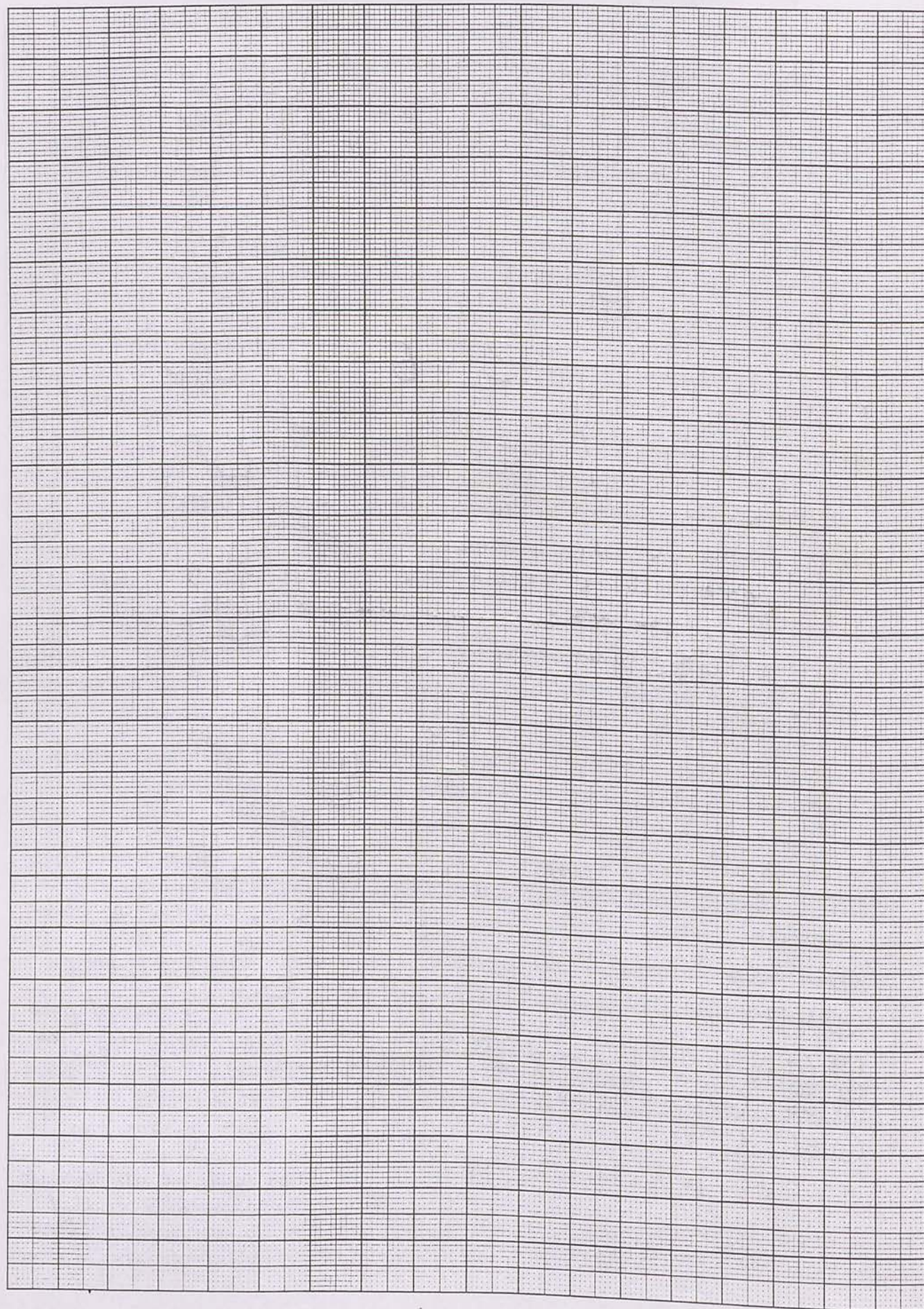
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Trench 100/1.....Initials LC.....Date 3/5/00 Page 2
Locus 3.....Spit 5-6 Locus.....Spit..... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery		3.5x1	3.6x8
Bone		3.6	
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

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Context

Report

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Trench.....100/1.....Initials.....LC.....Date.....1/6/00.....Page...
Locus.....4.....Spit.....1.....Locus.....Spit.....Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery			
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

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Context Report

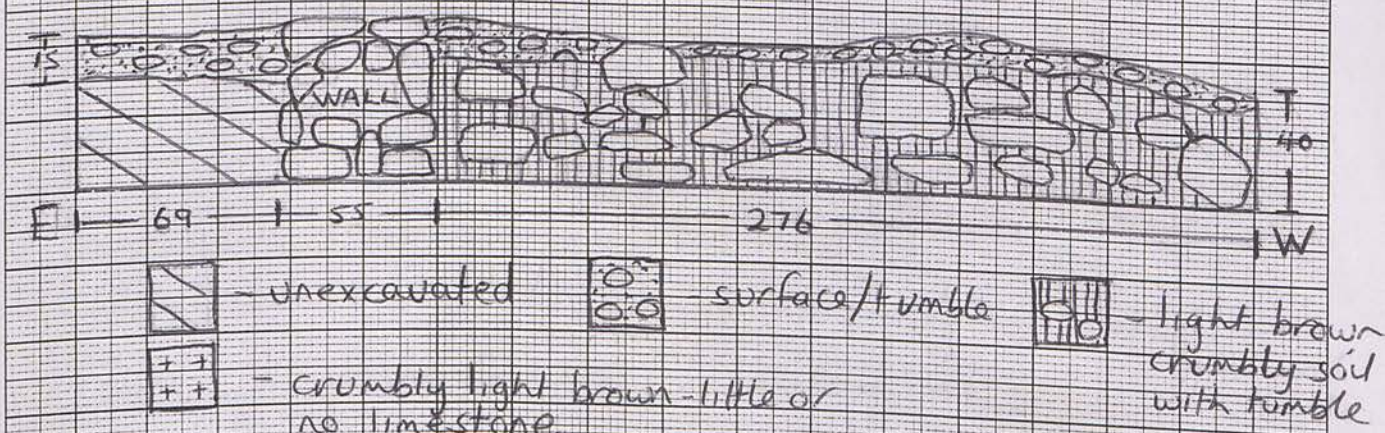
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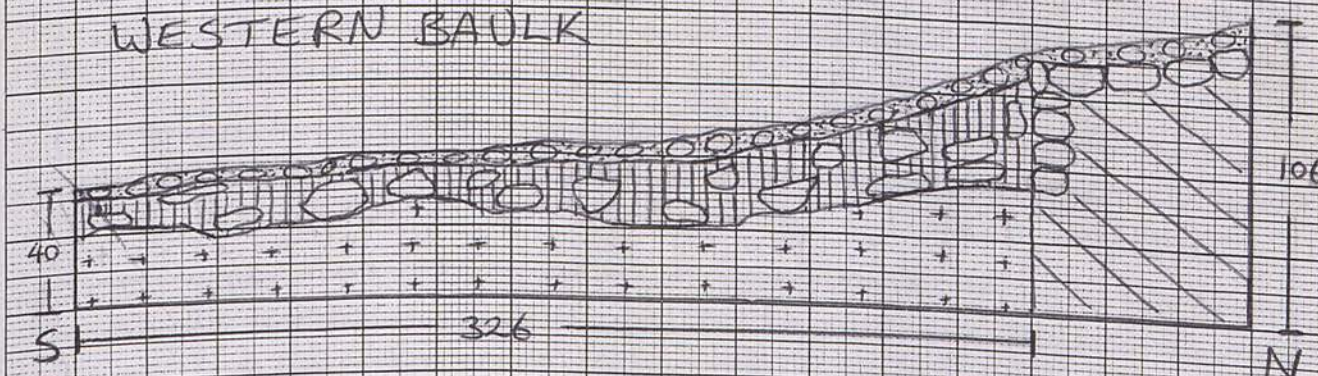
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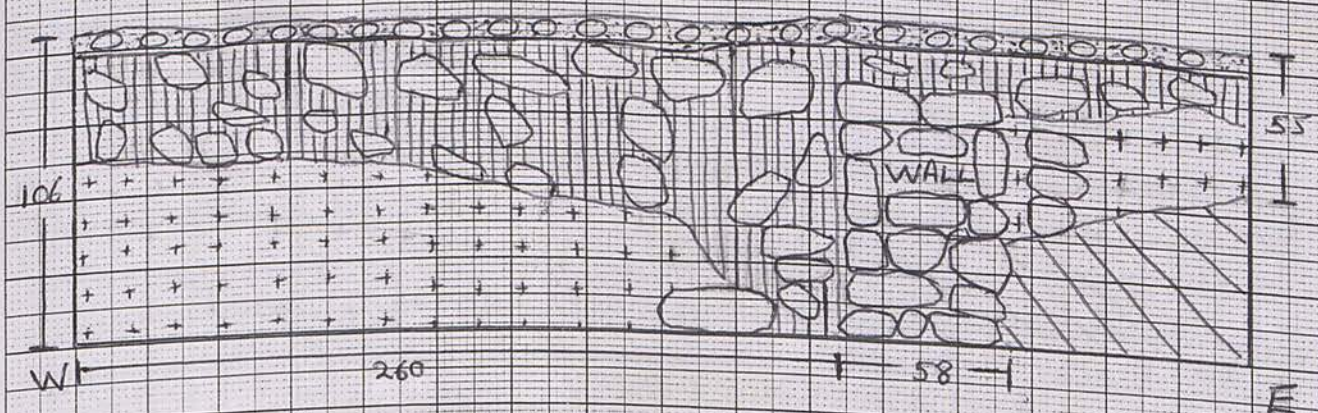
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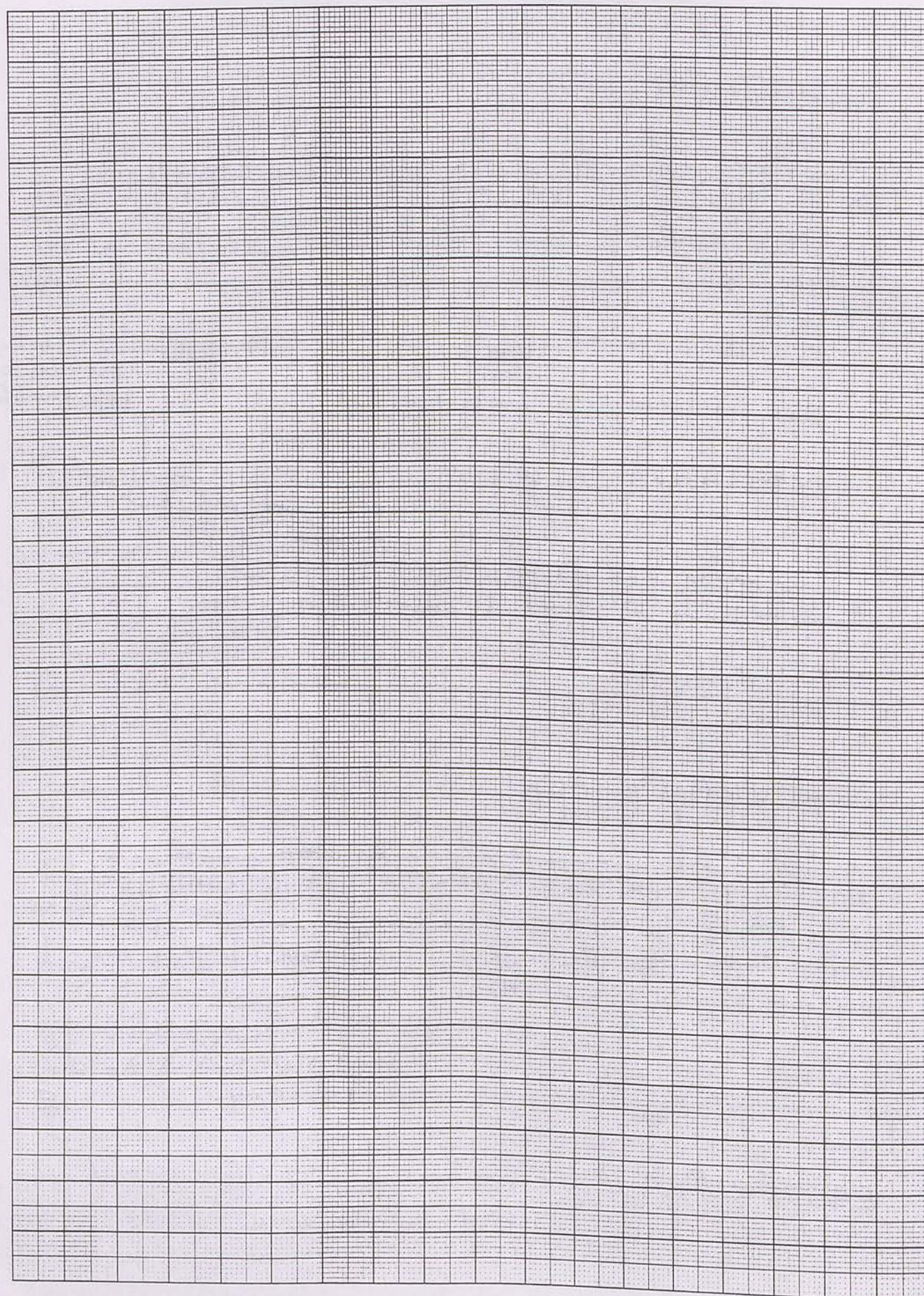
WESTERN BALK



NORTHERN BAULK



EASTERN BAULK - not drawn as shallow topsoil and tumble only



Trench.....Initials.....Date..... Page....
 Locus.....Spit..... Locus.....Spit..... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery			
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont

Context

Report

FINAL THOUGHTS

At completion of trench secondary floor reached in Western part of trench. Wall transects trench N/S. This wall is continued from trenches to south, but does not seem to extend beyond the baulk of 100/1. From trenches to south it would be expected that this wall go down to at least one further level of occupation. Floor in 100/1 appears to be secondary - does not look like is associated with wall.

What was initially thought to be E/W wall along N. baulk now seems to be tumble only. Rocks are pedestalled after about 50cm in west. Wall possibly runs along southern baulk, but further excavation required to verify. If this is a wall, the room in the trench to south would be quite small.

The floor is hard-packed and has significant burnt patches. Remains of at least three vessels were resting on the floor and covered a stone quern or pot-holder set into the floor.

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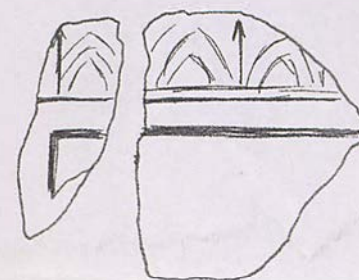
Trench...150/3.....Initials...T.B.....Date...8/5/00 Page....
Locus.....7.....Spit...3..... Locus.....8.....Spit...1..... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	2	7.3	8.1
Bone	1	7.3	
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)	plaster x3	7.3	
Photos bw			
Photos col.	CS 36-14		

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
66	fig. frag.	7.3	445
67	nail	7.3	385
68	nail	7.3	383
69	Orange pin	8.1	403 spatula?
70	fig. frag.	8.1	411
71	Iron nail?	8.1	402
72	Iron	8.1	404
73	nail	8.1	

Context Report

7.3	Finishing off the last ~25cm spit to reach the floor where 151/9 finished. Will expose the plaster on the east side of the east w/s wall after lunch. The soil in this last spit is comparatively harder. A lot of plaster emerging - red, yellow, black and some decorated.
* 66	fig. frag.
* 67	nail
* 68	nail
8.1	Removal of soil and rocks from in front of plaster wall. This locus includes the wall itself as well. The doorway in the was turns out to have been blocked after all the mind-changing. It was plastered over by the black part of plaster. The plaster itself is beautiful. Had photos taken and drawings done + measurements by Barry Rowney.



R B Y R Black
plaster panels

R - red
B - black
Y - yellow

Trench Context Record

Trench 124/1 Initials: LC Date started 15/5/00 Date finished 27/5/00

Context	Location (below, beside, on)	Structure (tumble, fill, floor, wall, pit, oven)	Soil colour	Soil texture	Depth	Thick	Page/	OBJECTS
1.1	Entire trench	Surface clearing	LB	Crumbly	20cm	20	2	
1.2	Robber pit (SE)	Surface clearing	"	"	20cm	20*	2-3	metal blob
2.1	All, excluding Robber Pit	Tumble	"	"	20cm	40	3	moulded bowl frag
3.1	Area A (S.W.)	Room	LB	limestone chips	40cm	80	3	moulded bowl frag
3.2	"	Lots of tumble/walls	"	"	40cm	80	3	iron arrow head
3.3	"	Floor outside NE of room	LB/MB	"	5cm	85	10	iron ring
4.1	Area A - SE corner	Pit with loamweights	"	"	20cm	111	10	loamweight frags
5.1	NE corner trench	Tumble	LB	Loose, tumble	20	40	10-11	loamweight frags
5.2	NE corner + Robber Pit	"	"	"	20	40	14	loamweight frags
6.1	Baulk 124/1 - 125/7	Surface clearing/tumble	"	"	20	20	14-15	loamweight frags
6.2	"	Clearing blow tumble wall	"	Crumbly, limestone flakes	15	35	15	loamweight frags
6.3	"	Clearing top of wall	"	lots of limestone	5	40	18	stone tool
6.4	Area C - into Robber Area	2 N/S walls, pass E wall	LB/MB	some limestone	55	95	18	loamweight metal object
6.5	Floor assoc c 2'7 wall	Floor, quern	"	hard packed limestone	55	95	18	loamweight metal object
6.6	Clearing floor to S. Blk	Floor	"	"	10	95	22	loamweight metal object
6.7	Pit south of quern	Pit	Burnt	Fine medium	10.5	106	22	loamweight metal object
6.8	Tumble North Area C	Large tumble/limestone	LB	lots of limestone	100	120	22	loamweight metal object
6.9	"	"	LB	some limestone	30-40	190	23	loamweight metal object
6.10	On top of floor (6.5-6)	Floor	LB/MB	medium	10	200	23	loamweight metal object
7.1	Removing floor west Area	"	MB	medium	10	200	23	loamweight metal object

* surface mud lower than in Area A due to rebar pit or line of job

7.2 Disturbed area
7.3 Disturbed area
7.4 Disturbed area
7.5 Disturbed area
7.6 Disturbed area

Trench Context Record

Trench: 124/1 Initials: LC Date started: 15/5/99 Date finished: 27/5/99

Context	Location (below, beside, on)	Structure (tumble, fill, floor, wall, pit, oven)	Soil colour	Soil texture	Depth	Thick	Page/	OBJECTS
7.2	Under Floor under North Area C	Floor	MB	medium	c5-10		26	pierced stone bronze lamp fragment
7.3	Disturbed area south Area C	Robbed area	LB/MB	crumbly	c5-10		26	
7.4	Incorporates 7.2-3	Thought to be secure	MB	medium	c10	127	27	
7.5	Under 7.3 - disturbed	No longer thought secure	"	"	c20	147	27	
7.6	Under 7.2 - secure	Under Floor	"	"	"	"	27	iron nails
7.7	Disturbed - under 7.5	Robbed area	"	"	c5cm below	147	28	plaster iron nails
7.8	Under 7.6 - secure	Under Floor	"	"	c5cm	147	28	
8.1	NW trench - b/w walls	Passage	LB	crumbly	40	40	29	looked metal thing

7.1	Ground level							
7.10	On top of ground (over 1m)							
7.8	Under floor (over 1m)							
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Trench Context Record

Trench...100/1.....Initials...J.S.....Date started...27/5/00.....Date finished...1/6/00.....(not completed)

Context	Location (below, beside, on)	Structure (tumble, fill, floor, wall, pit, oven)	Soil colour	Soil texture	Depth	Thick	Page/	Objects
1.1	Surface clearing	tumble	light brown	crumbly	c 10	c 16	39-40	ring bezel
1.2	Clearing tumble	"	"	"	c 20	c 30	41	spindle wheel
1.3	Tumble front of trench	"	"	"	c 30-40	c 70	44	lamp fragment
2.1	East of N/S wall	"	"	"	c 30-40	c 40	44	iron fragment
3.1	Area west of N/S wall	Under tumble	"	"	c 55	c 95	45	metal fragment
3.2	Northern section of 3.1	"	MB	"	c 11	c 106	48	metal handle
3.3	Strip to west of wall	Possible pit	"	"	c 40	c 106	48	glass fragment
3.4	South of 3.3	Above floor	"	"	c 30	c 55*	49	iron fragment
3.5	Remaining area in Area A	Broken pots (esp. pithos)	Same as	Soft	c 20	c 50*	49	iron fragment
3.6	Pottery on floor	Remaining pithos etc	"	"	c 5	"	49-52	glass fragment

* from S. blk.

8.1	Very fine pottery	8.1	18	crumbly	40	40	54	
1.8	Very fine pottery	1.8	18	crumbly	40	40	54	
1.1	Very fine pottery	1.1	18	crumbly	40	40	54	
1.2	Very fine pottery	1.2	18	crumbly	40	40	54	
1.3	Very fine pottery	1.3	18	crumbly	40	40	54	
1.4	Very fine pottery	1.4	18	crumbly	40	40	54	
1.5	Very fine pottery	1.5	18	crumbly	40	40	54	
1.6	Very fine pottery	1.6	18	crumbly	40	40	54	
1.7	Very fine pottery	1.7	18	crumbly	40	40	54	
1.8	Very fine pottery	1.8	18	crumbly	40	40	54	
1.9	Very fine pottery	1.9	18	crumbly	40	40	54	
1.10	Very fine pottery	1.10	18	crumbly	40	40	54	
1.11	Very fine pottery	1.11	18	crumbly	40	40	54	
1.12	Very fine pottery	1.12	18	crumbly	40	40	54	
1.13	Very fine pottery	1.13	18	crumbly	40	40	54	
1.14	Very fine pottery	1.14	18	crumbly	40	40	54	
1.15	Very fine pottery	1.15	18	crumbly	40	40	54	
1.16	Very fine pottery	1.16	18	crumbly	40	40	54	
1.17	Very fine pottery	1.17	18	crumbly	40	40	54	
1.18	Very fine pottery	1.18	18	crumbly	40	40	54	
1.19	Very fine pottery	1.19	18	crumbly	40	40	54	
1.20	Very fine pottery	1.20	18	crumbly	40	40	54	

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