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Field Record Book

Q-L

Name.....	JANA BOULET
Trenches.....	BAULK 151/1-151/4, 151/3-125/1, 99/8, 151/6-125/4, 151/3-151/6, 100/8, BLK 100/8 EAST BLK 100/5 NORTH
Dates.....	23/4/01 - 99/6

List of equipment for Trench Supervisors	Half	nuss
Dig bag	Here	hona
Water	I	ana
Clip board and spare clips for windy days	Iron	hadeed
Pens (water proof only - black or blue), pencils, ruler, eraser	Little, small	sagheer
Measuring tape	Man	rajul
Plumb bob	Maybe, perhaps	mumkin
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Supply of labels	My (my son)	-ee e.g. walad-ee
Supply of different-sized plastic bags	Pick	kazma
Toilet paper (for wrapping delicate objects as well as for personal use!)	Pottery	fachaar
Small cartons/boxes for objects. When available	Photo (picture)	soora
Bandaids and aspirin for the vapours (yours or the workers')	Red	ahmar
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	Room	gurfa
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Black	aswad	Tomorrow bukra
Bone	az'm	Trowel mustareen
Boy	walad	Wall jidaar
Brush	forshay	Water mayy
Charcoal	fah'm	Wheelbarrow darraaja
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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, graffiti-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.

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Trench 151/1-151/4 Initials JBS Date 22/4/01 Page 1
Locus Spit Locus Spit Feature/s Wall

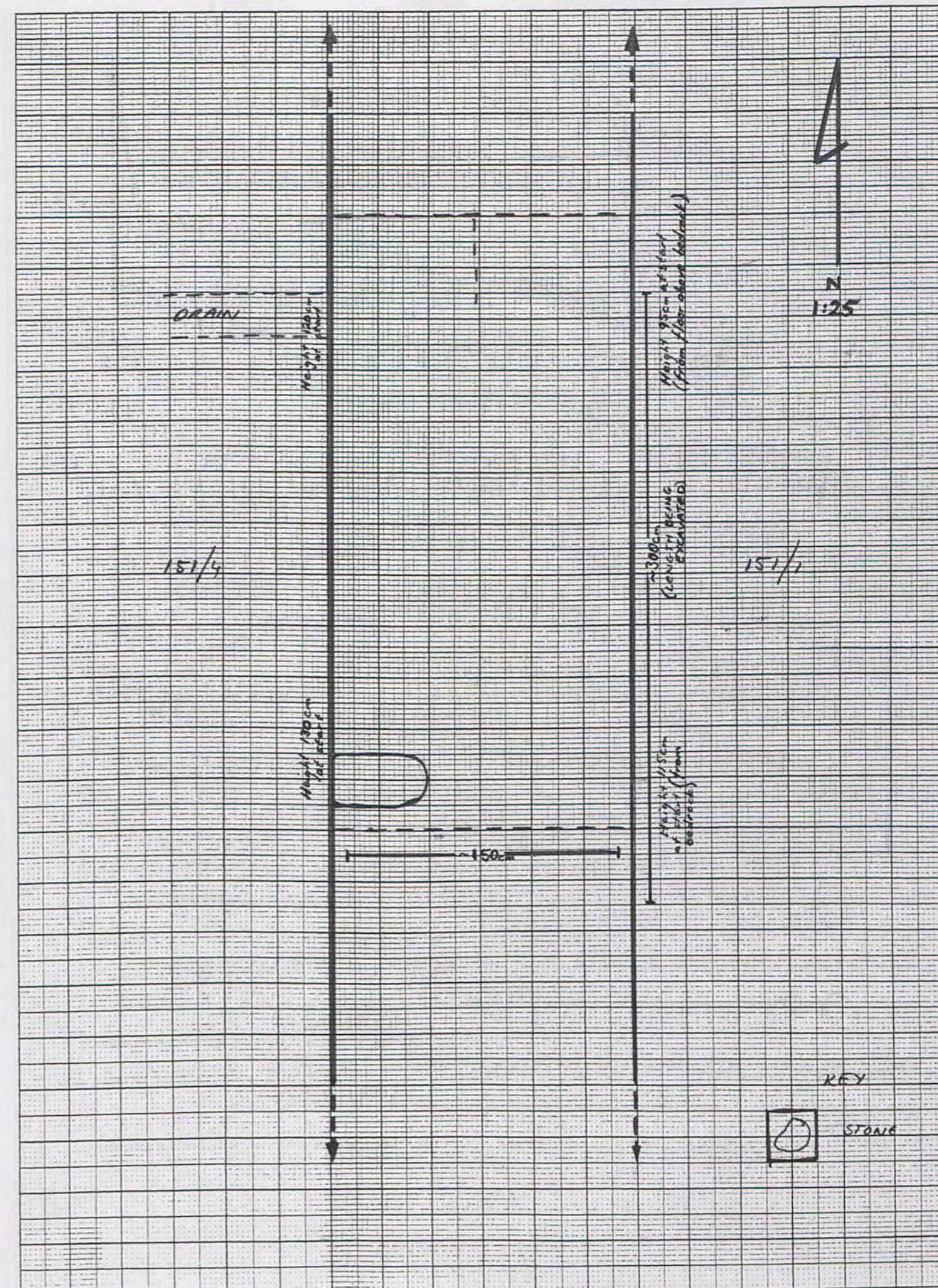
	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	/	1-2	
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
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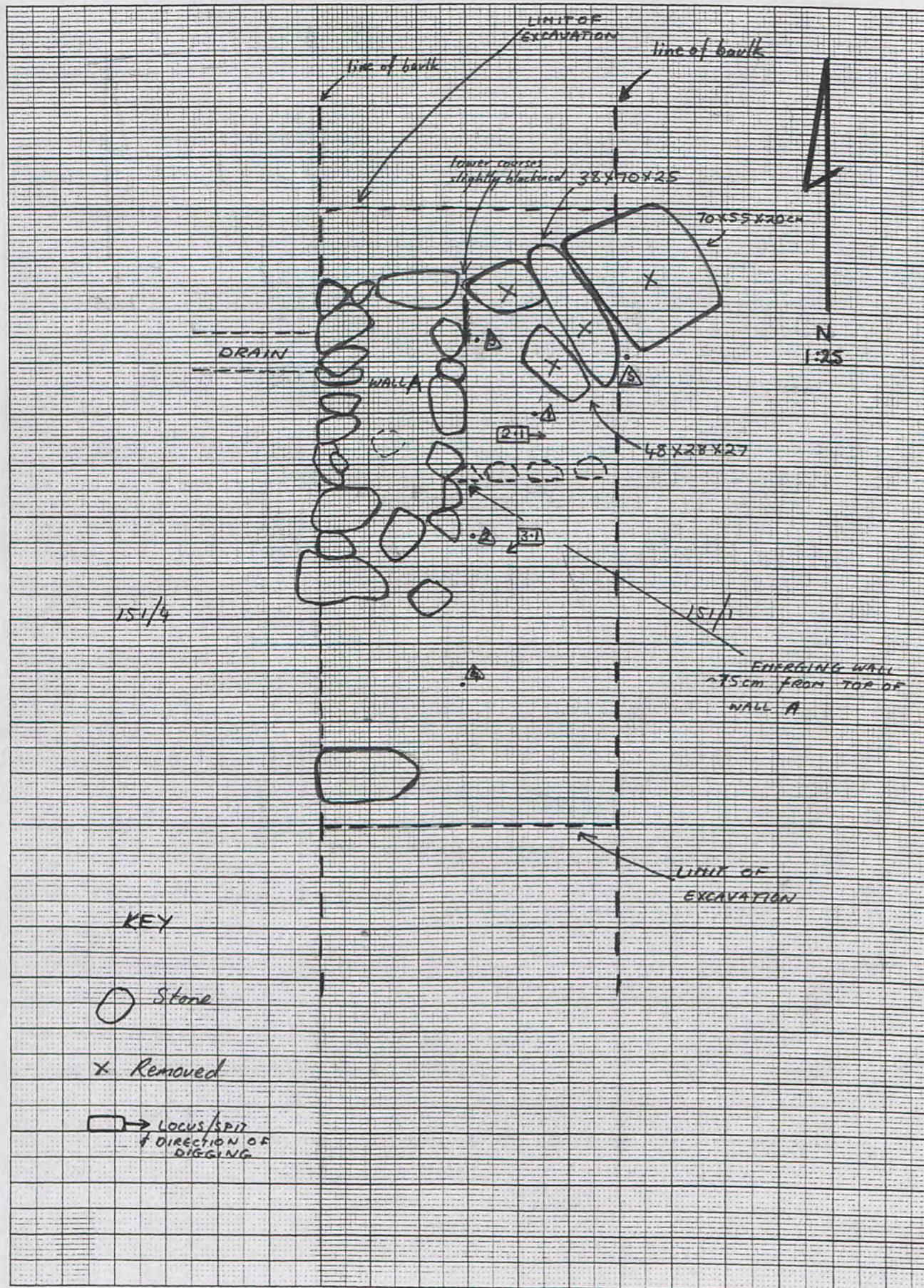
Context

Report

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| 1.1 | <p>Clearing tumble etc. in the baulk</p> <p><u>Aim:</u> To clear the doorway on the west side of the baulk and the associated wall and to separate it from the baulk covering its east side</p> <p>On the east side there appears to have been two separate floors excavated. Underneath the second floor is bedrock. Will see which floor in the east room is associated with the doorway and where the drain (?) from the basin goes.</p> <p>Photo taken after 20cm taken down.</p> <p>Will clear rocks from inside the doorway completely.</p> <p>Continuing down → located wall edge and simply clearing baulk away from its east side.</p> |
| 1.2 | |

1mm Squares





Trench..... Initials..... J.B Date 24/4/01 Page 2
Baulk 15/1-15/4 Locus.....! Spit. Locus.....? Spit. Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	2	1.3	2.1
Bone	1	1.3	
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw	BW	10-12	
Photos col.	HJ	31/32	

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
①	Fig frag	15/1-15/4	1.3
②	2x metal shiny sticks (spatulae?)	1.3	672
③	Grindstone/pondle	1.3	060
④	Glass frag.	1.3	
⑤	curved metal frag	1.3	
	graffito	2.1	090

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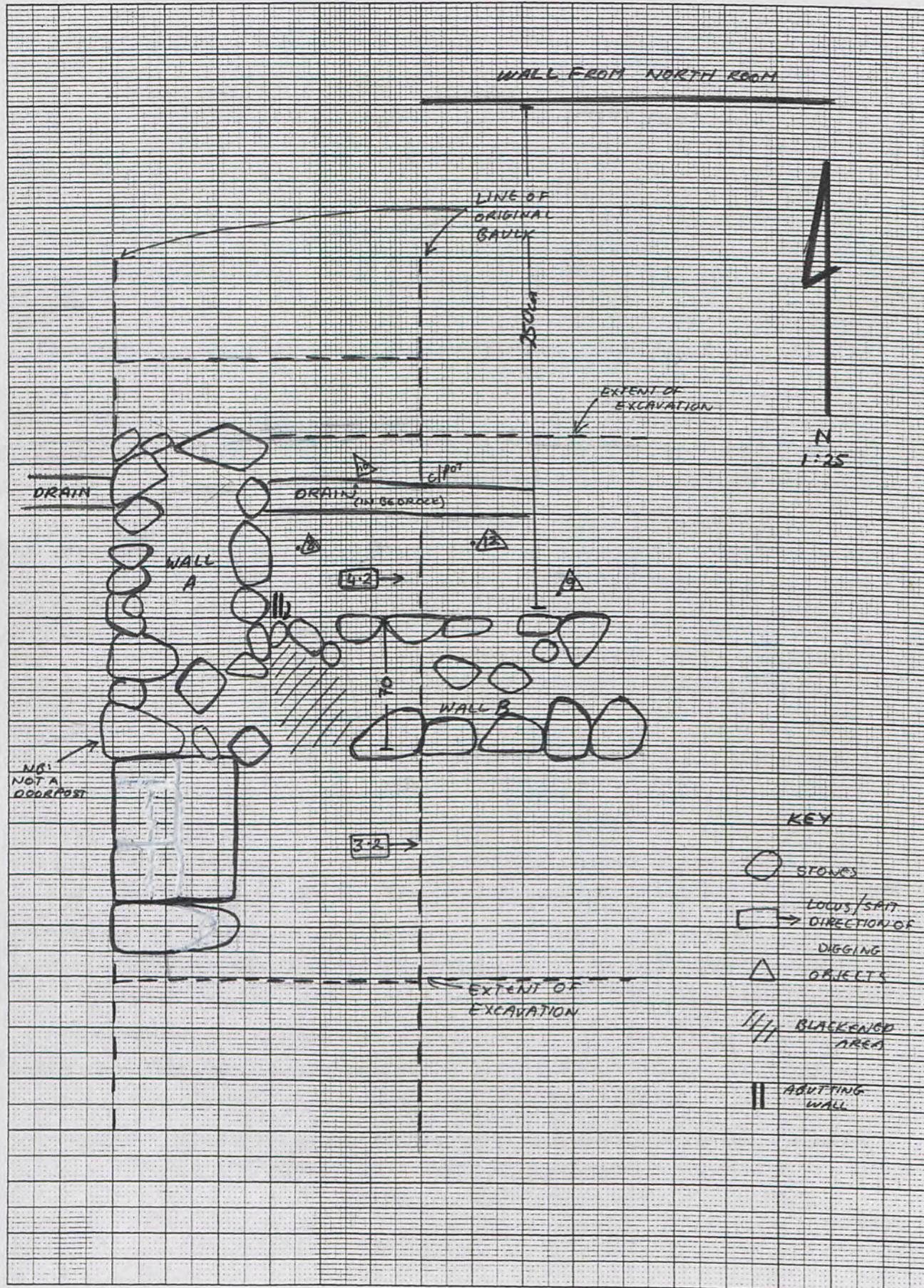
Context	Report
1.3	Continuing down and into the side of the baulk on the east side to the 2nd floor ① fig frag. ② metal shiny sticks (spatulae?) Blackened area emerging in the north on lower stone courses (marked on map) → bone coming from here ③ Grindstone/pondle ④ Glass frag. ⑤ Curved metal frag. Dug down to the 2nd floor level in Room 15/1, but it doesn't appear to have been a floor (however keeping it intact in case). The threshold of the doorway has not yet appeared but what looks like a small wall is emerging at right angles to the northern most edge of the door. The 2nd (northern) door post does not seem to be there, may have been one of the removed stones. The whole area appears to have been disturbed ⇒ Photo taken
2.1	Removed 4x large dressed stones. This goes in the area directly under them, to see what happens to the drain and the wall.

Trench Baulk 151/1-151/4 Initials J.B. Date 25/4/21. Page 3
Locus...3.....Spit.1..... Locus.....Spit..... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	11	3.1	4.1
Bone	1	3.1	
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
6	Nail	3.1	634
7	Shell	4.1	686

Context	Report
3.1	<p>Excavating area south of emerging wall near floor area. The emerging wall is one course of small, roughly dressed stones sitting on what looks to be bedrock, or a layer of very hard bright red/orange earth with many crushed stones. Pottery levels extremely low.</p> <p>Under the soft earth in the south is definitely bedrock with the threshold of the door sitting on it. Only 10-15 cm of earth (very soft, dark brown) needed to be removed to reach bedrock.</p>
4.1	<p>Excavating area north of emerging wall. Aiming to see what happens to drain.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (A) nail (found in corner) (B) shell (?) <p>As opposed to the south side of the wall, if the soil in the north is much lighter brown with large stones and much more pottery including a large amphora handle.</p> <p>The burnt patch of layer 1.3 seems to have been used as a hearth at some stage. The earth is also black inside. Could be a ring of stones around it.</p>



BALK
Trench 15/1-15/4 Initials J.B. Date 25/4/01 Page....
Locus 3 Spit 2 Locus 4 Spit 2 Feature/s DRAIN

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	2	4.2	
Bone	1	4.2	
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
(8)	Glass frag.	4.2	
(9)	Coin	4.2	037
(10)	Spindle whorl(?)	4.2	1693
(11)	Burnt dung (?) frag	4.2	1692
(12)	Incised stone 62 grooves	4.2	059
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Context	Report
4.2	Continuing down and extending to the east a bit to follow the wall and drain (i. Wall B) (8) Glass.
	Rough search from yesterday defined - earth & pottery block. Large pieces of a cookpot emerged although high up (20cm) from bedrock floor (see plan) and admittedly pulled out from the edges of the trench in the excitement!
(9) Coin	2 found near drain → should be
(10) Spindle whorl(?)	quite primary As Wall B becomes more defined, I realise that it is possible that we did not reach bedrock in locus 3.1 (i south of wall B). Will investigate further later and continue downwards after we have fully exposed the drain. The soil in the drain is tightly packed, almost like clay & probably from the water (?)
(11) Burnt dung, neck (?)	2 x frags Nothing special found in drain → some bone & pot frags.
(12) Incised stone	→ simply found in soil! Hit bedrock
3.2	Continuing down into locus 3 (southern side of Wall B). Bedrock turns out to only 20cm further down)

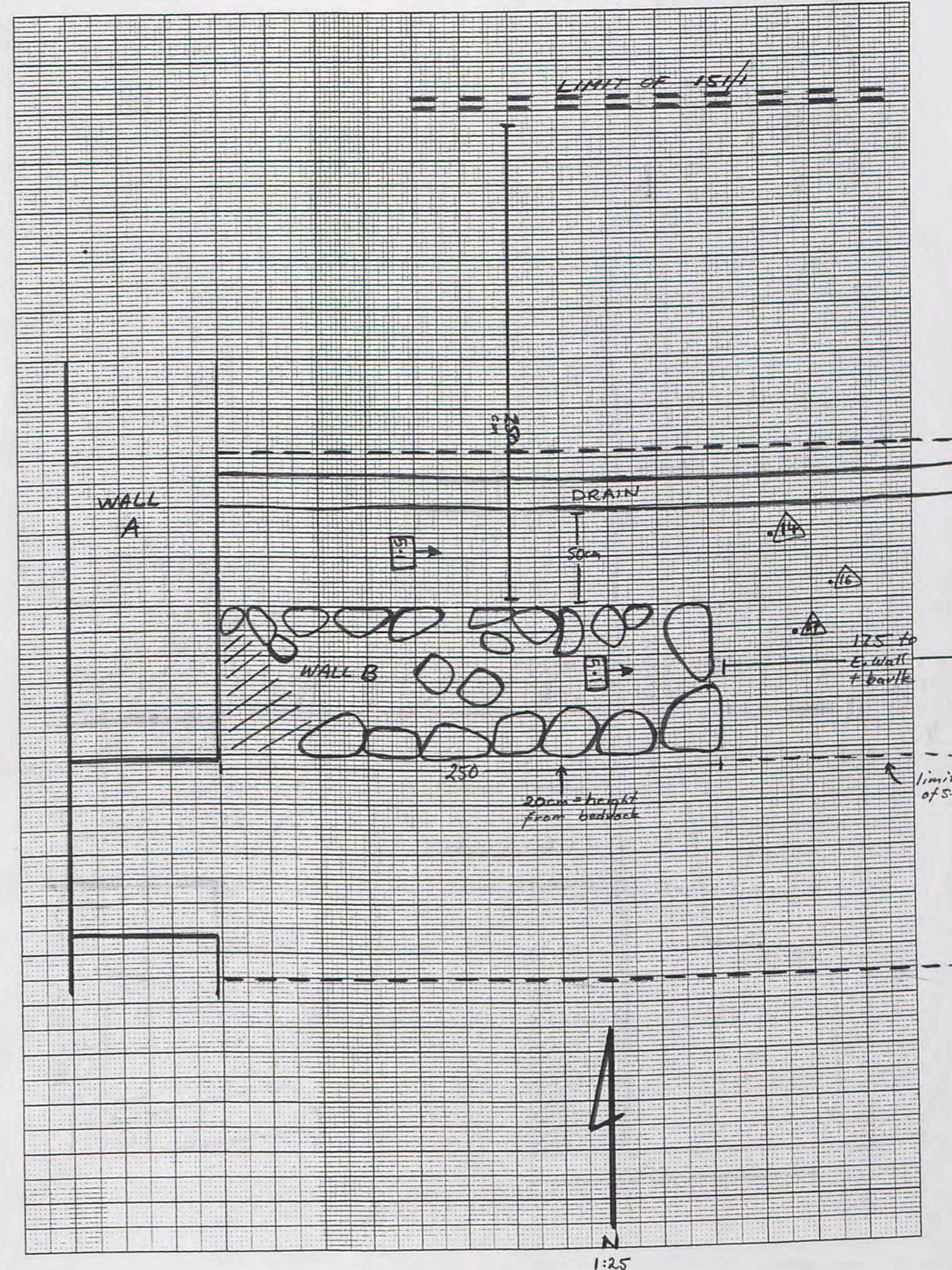
BAULK 151/1-151/4
 Trench..... Initials J.B..... Date 26/4/81 Page....
 Locus 5 Spit!..... Locus..... Spit..... Feature/s.....

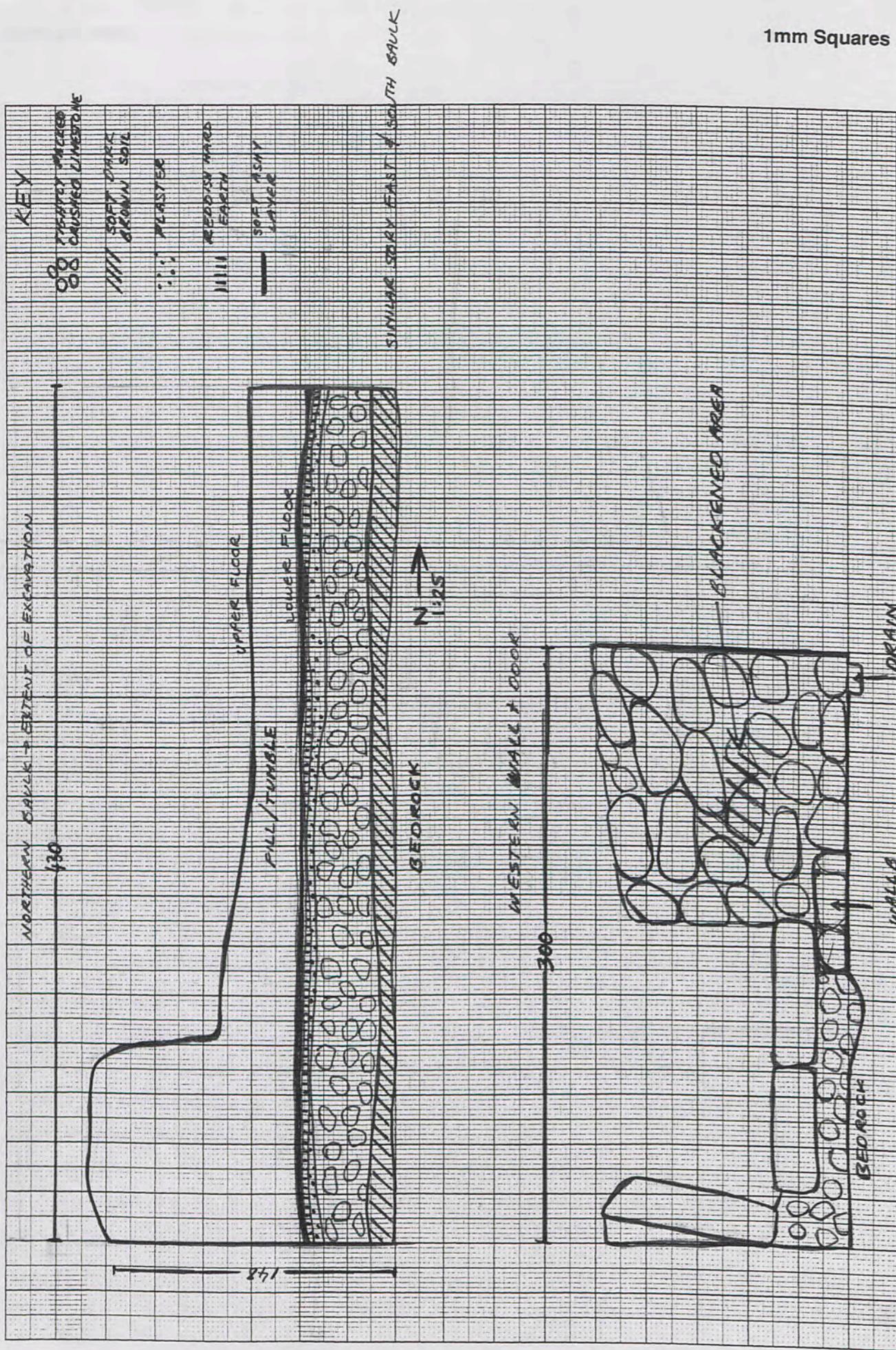
	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	1	5.1	
Bone	1	5.1	
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
13	NAIL (?)	5.1	680
14	Large lumps of metal	5.1	070
15	Lamp frag.	5.1	020
16	Fig. head	5.1	019
17	Curly metal frag.	5.1	010
18	Glass frag	5.1	

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Context	Report
5.1	Following Wall B east, the whole eastern area is new levels. Will go down to bedrock, going through several centimetres, including the floor to reach bedrock. The stratigraphy is very clear, so the aim is simple to see how far the wall goes, whilst still taking note of which layers offset as coming down.
14	1 Large lumps of metal → fill b/w bedrock & lower floor
15	Lamp frag → fill above lower floor level
16	Fig. head → from fill b/w lower floor & bedrock.
17	Curly metal frag → fill b/w bedrock & lower floor
18	Glass frag.
	The stratigraphy shows a surface directly above bedrock, then ~20cm of crushed limestone fill, then a very clear ashy layer with plaster, which was the lower floor, then more fill and the upper floor.





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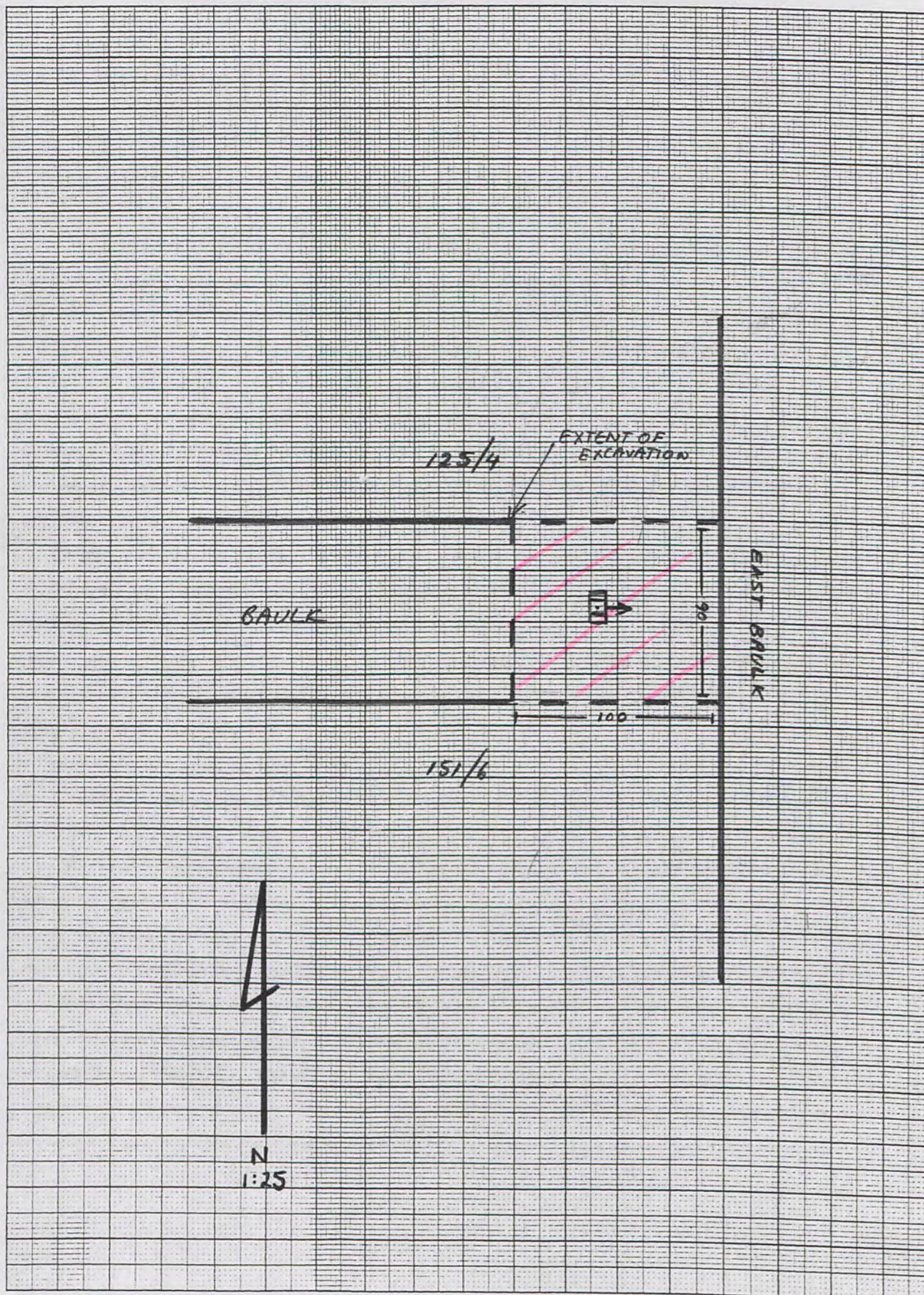
BALK
Trench 15/1-151/4 Initials J.C. Date 28/4/91 Page....
Locus.... Spit.... Locus..... Spit..... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	2	5-2	
Bone	1	5-2	
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw	BWZ 1-9 END		
Photos col.	HJ ROLL 2 18-19 (1000 ft length)	5-2	HJ ROLL 2 20-22 END

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
19	loom weight	5.2	128? ✓
20	nail	5.2	695
21	metal strips	5.2	694
22	metal blobs	5.2	055
23	6x loom weights	5.2	128
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Context	Report
5.2	Continued. Have changed quits, but not back for the area south of wall 2, but will continue to go through the two floors. This area seems to be more disturbed through north of the wall due to previous excavations.
(1)	Loom weight → 6/w bedrock and lower floor
(2)	Nail → " "
(3)	Metal strip
(4)	Metal blobs → 6/w bedrock and lower floor A small pile of four or five loomweights has appeared directly above the lower floor (is between the upper and lower) A possibly reconstructable pot is coming out in the pottery → will try as many pieces as possible
	Photos taken of loom weights
(5)	6x loom weights → southeast corner.
	Finished clearing trench to bedrock, photos taken

1mm Squares



BAULK
Trench 151/6-125/4 Initials..... Date 29/4/01 Page....
Locus..... Spit..... Locus..... Spit..... Feature/s.....

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

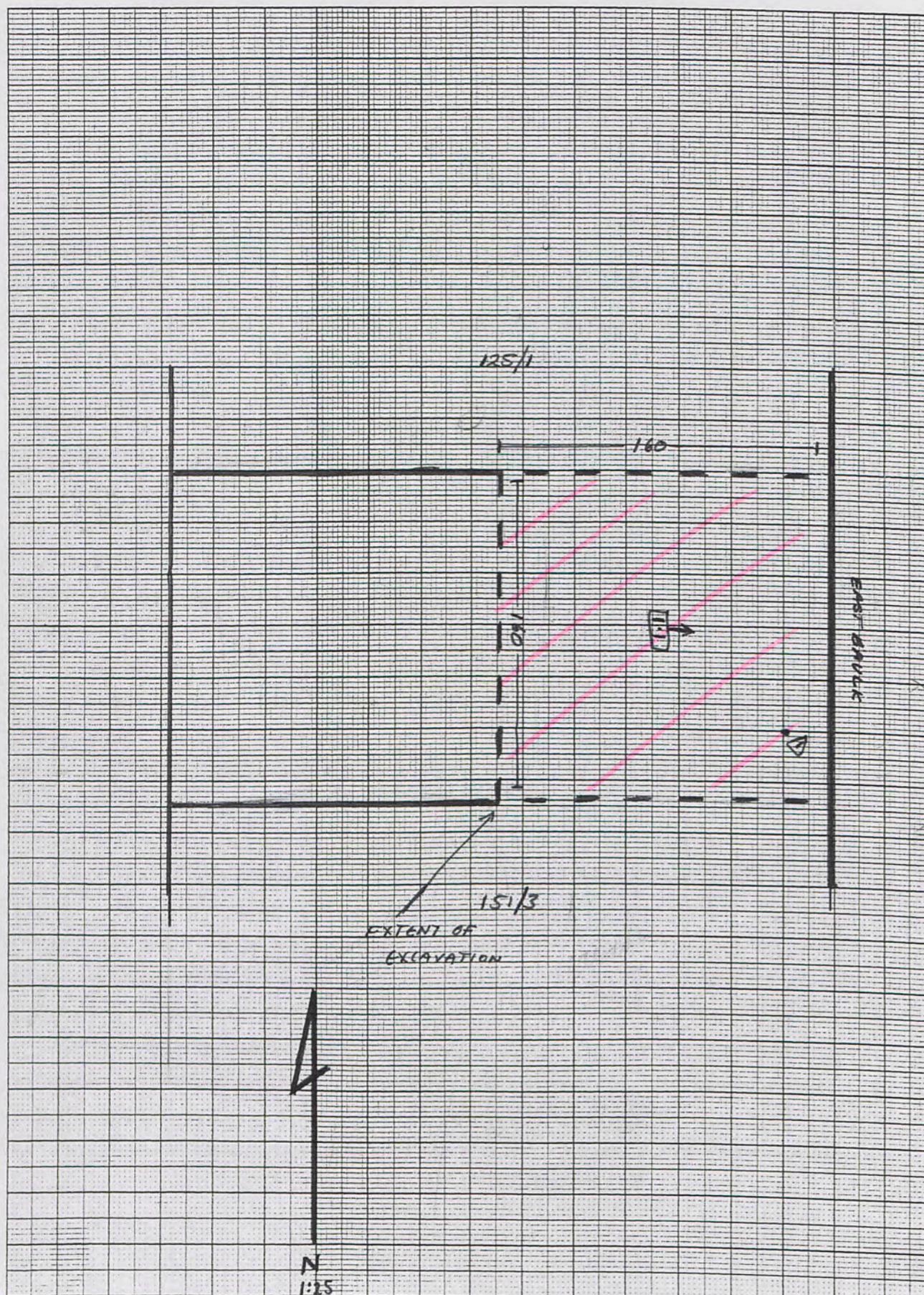
Context

Report

- 1.1 Clearing rubble and grass etc. Aim is to find a doorway (?) in the east/west ^{bault}, so to find an entrance to the room north of 151/3.

Cleared ~80cm to hit the upper floor in room 151/6. No door, but a beautiful wall continuing north-south. Floor has an ash layer.

Will now try the east side of the bault.



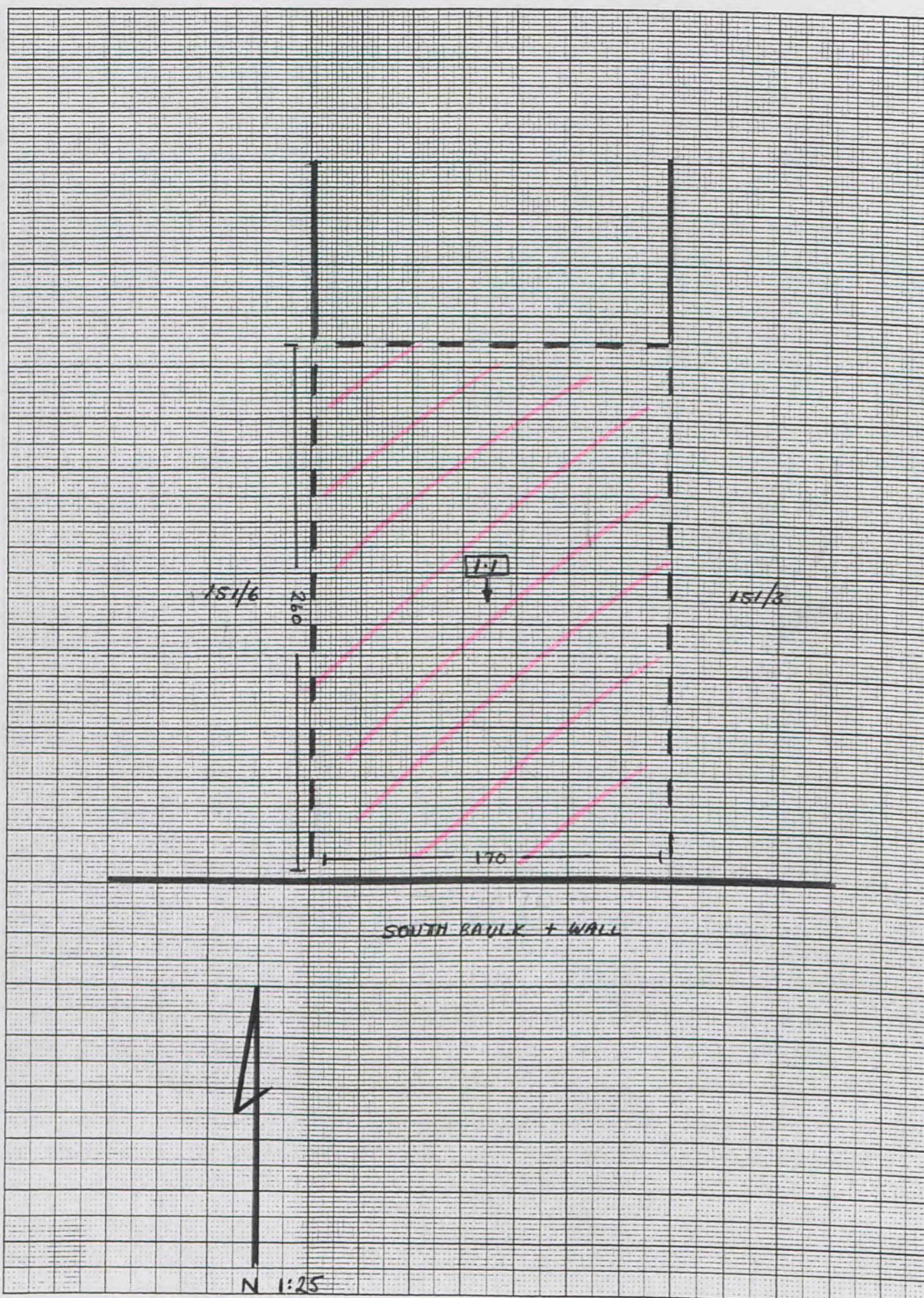
1mm Squares

BAULK
Trench 15/3-125/1 Initials..... Date 29/4 Page....
Locus..... Spit..... Locus..... Spit..... Feature/s.....

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

Context	Report
1.1	Now trying to find a door on the eastern side Damp nozzle ~ 20cm down
	No doorway on this side
	Went down ~40cm to same level as excavated off the so south side of the vault (is 15/3)
	Will now try the southern part of the n/s vault!

1mm Squares



Trench 15/3-15/6 Initials T.B. Date 29/4/01 Page ...
Focus Spit Locus Spit Feature/s

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

Context	Report
1.1	<p>D needed.</p> <p>If there is a door, this seems like the most likely place for it, because it would make it parallel in plan to 150/3.</p>

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Trench 151/3-151/6 Initials J.R. Date 30/4/21 Page....
Locus..... Spit..... Locus..... Spit..... Feature/s.....

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

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
②	Nail	1-1	114
③	Glass frag	1-1	113
④	Metal blade	1-1	115
⑤	Cordstone frag	1-1	086
⑥	Nail	1-1	677
⑦	Pounder	1-1	132
⑧	Bronze pin	1-2	112

Context Report

1.1 Containing down ~60cm

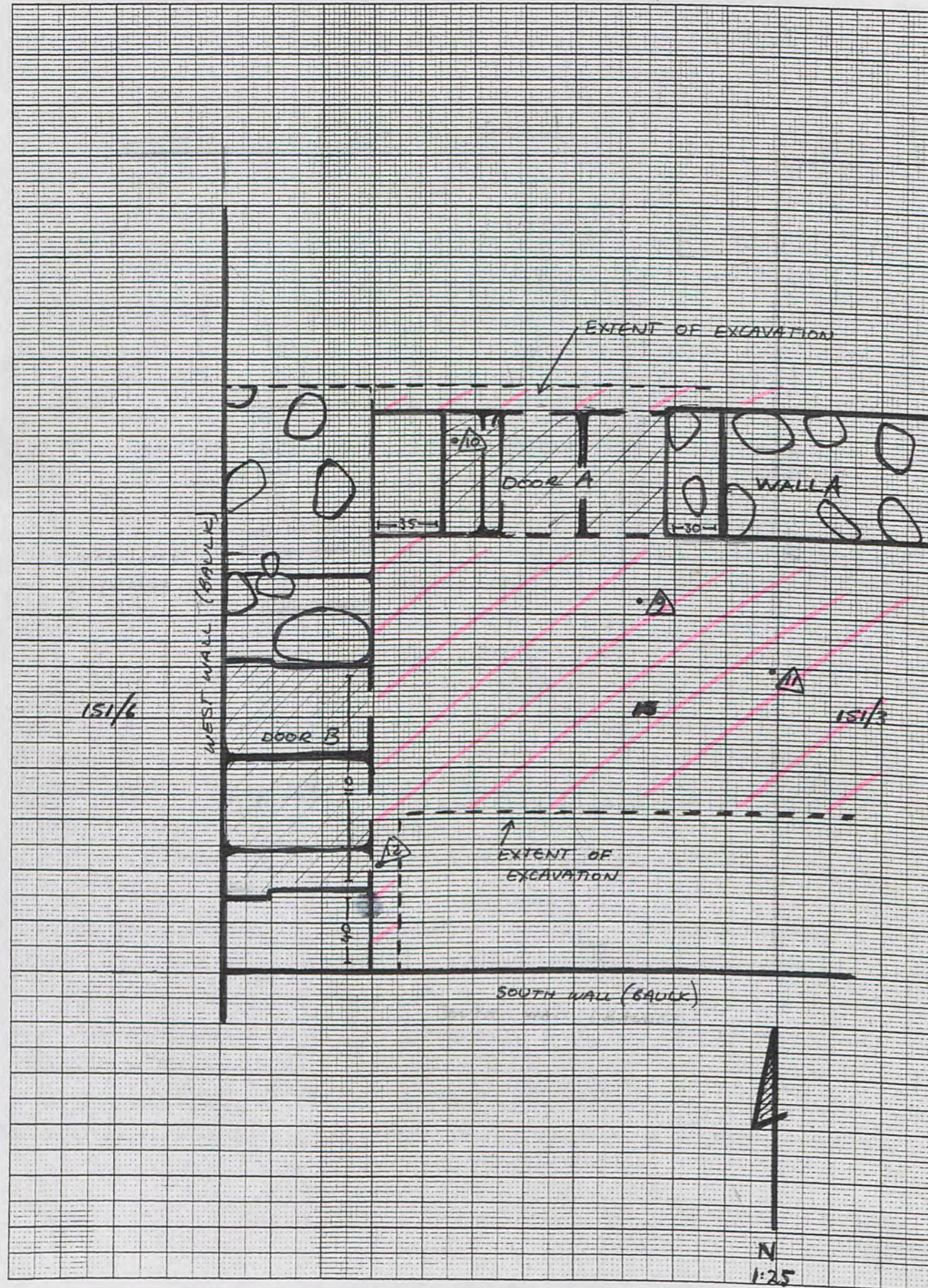
- (2) Nail
- (3) Glass frag
- (4) Metal blade
- (5) Gneissite frag.

Have found a door in the north!

- (6) Nail { In the north
- (7) Powder } door

Now that the door has been found, we'll start going down across a larger area to find the threshold. of both doors.

1.2 (8) Bronze pin → south of door (west)



Trench... 151/3 - 151/6 Initials... T.B.... Date... 1/5/01 Page....
Locus..... Spit.... 2... Locus..... Spit..... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	1	1.2	
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw	3W2 29-32		
Photos col.			

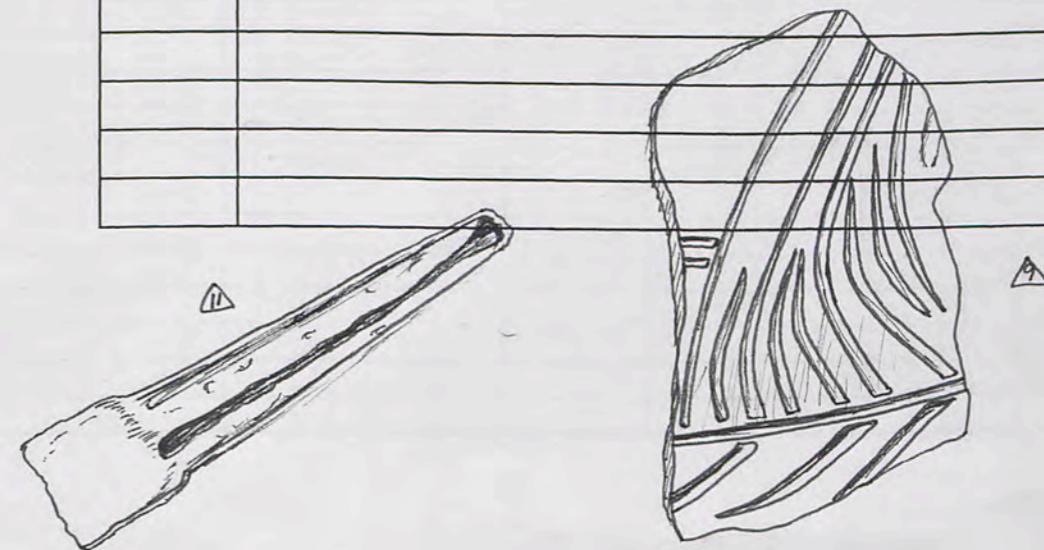
No.	Object	Cont	Cont
(9)	Fig frag.	1.2	130
(10)	Metal frags	1.2	134
(11)	Metal chisel(?)	1.2	
(12)	Metal blobs	1.2	109
(13)	Glass	1.2	
(14)	Pounder	1.2	137

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Iron fm

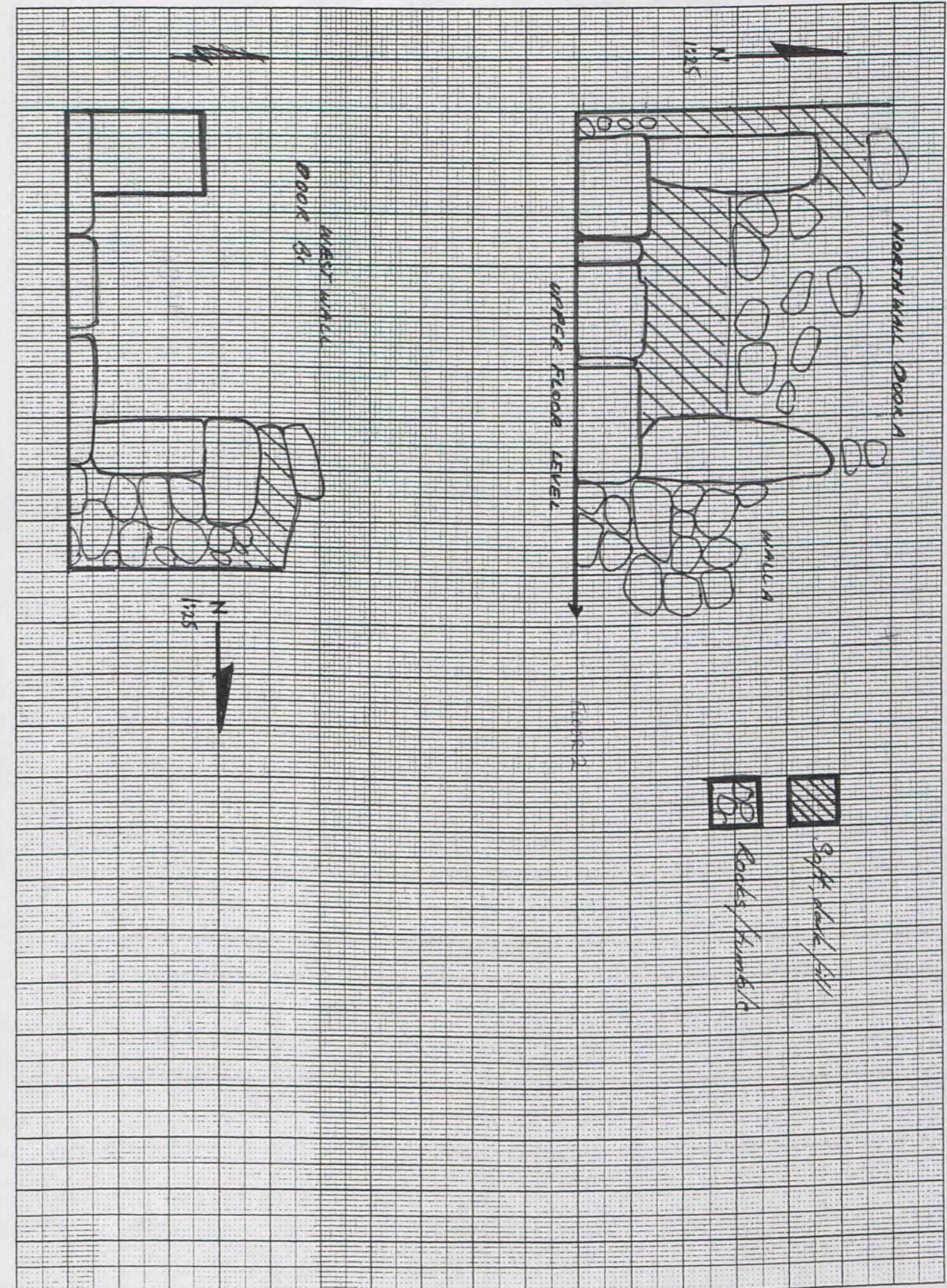
Context	Report
1.2	(9) fig. frag. → 120 cm down
	(10) metal frags → on threshold of door A.
	(11) chisel → 120 cm down
	The thresholds of the two doors are associated with an upper floor ~150cm from the top. Looking at the previous excavation in 151/3, there seems to have been one more floor level before bedrock.
	(12) metal blobs - doorway B
	(13) Glass → doorway B) ~120 cms down
	(14) Pounder "
	The floor associated with the threshold is packed earth, orange-brown in colour & quite firm. It becomes difficult to trace near the walls.



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.			

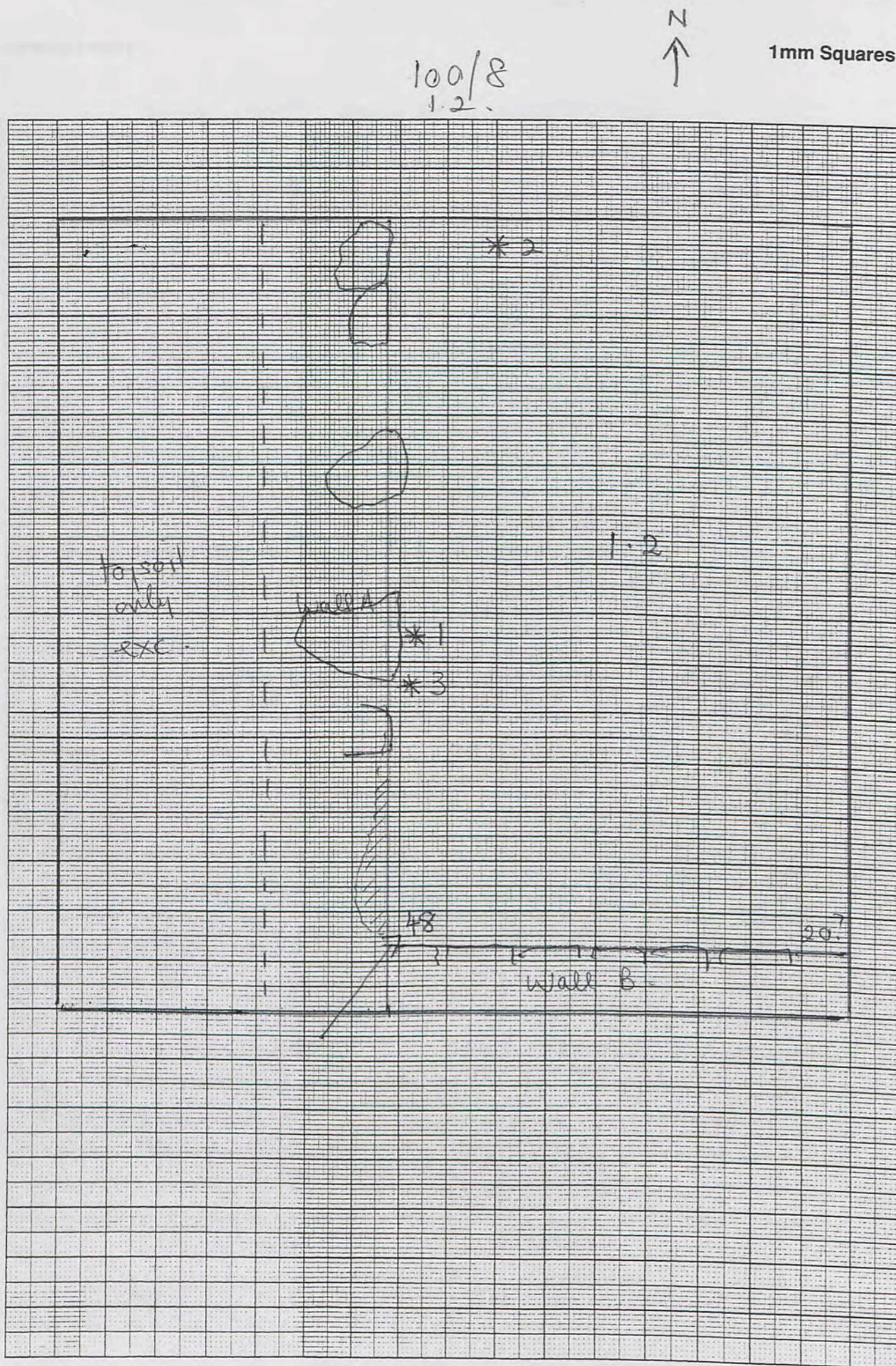


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Trench.....100/8.....Initials.....J.B......Date.....2/5/01.....Page.....
Locus.....!....Spit.....!.... Locus.....Spit..... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	1	1/1	
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.	1F-1 ROLL B H'		

Context	Report
1-1	Taxisiting cont. Photo taken
1-2	Clearing tumbi. Wall appearing in the south running E/W and in the middle, running N/S



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Trench.....100/8.....Initials.....HT.....Date.....3/5/01.....Page.....
Locus.....Spit.....2.....Locus.....Spit.....Feature/s.....

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

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
1	Iron object	1-2...	
2	Bronze frog	"	
3	Metal ring	"	

Context	Report
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1.2 Excavating tumble, working from South to North in Eastern section i.e. East of N/S wall, which is now clear on the East face. Much tumble, as usual.

* 1 Iron object (tool/grap?) found against wall at depth of 65 cm from top of wall A

Wall B. In clearing tumble from South bank, an E/W wall becomes clearer, in line with E/W in adjacent trench East (100/b) and further East (100/2).

* 2 Bronze fragment (pin?) from tumble in North of trench.

* 3 Metal ring (possibly modern) from below wall as indicated

Trench 10018 Initials JB Date 5/5/01 Page.....
Locus 1 Spit 3 Locus Spit Feature/s

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	2	1.3	
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)	1		
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

Context Report

1.3 Beginning a new spit in this focus, although the character has not changed from yesterday we soft brown soil with humus. Humus slightly less today. Much large humus left in North bank.

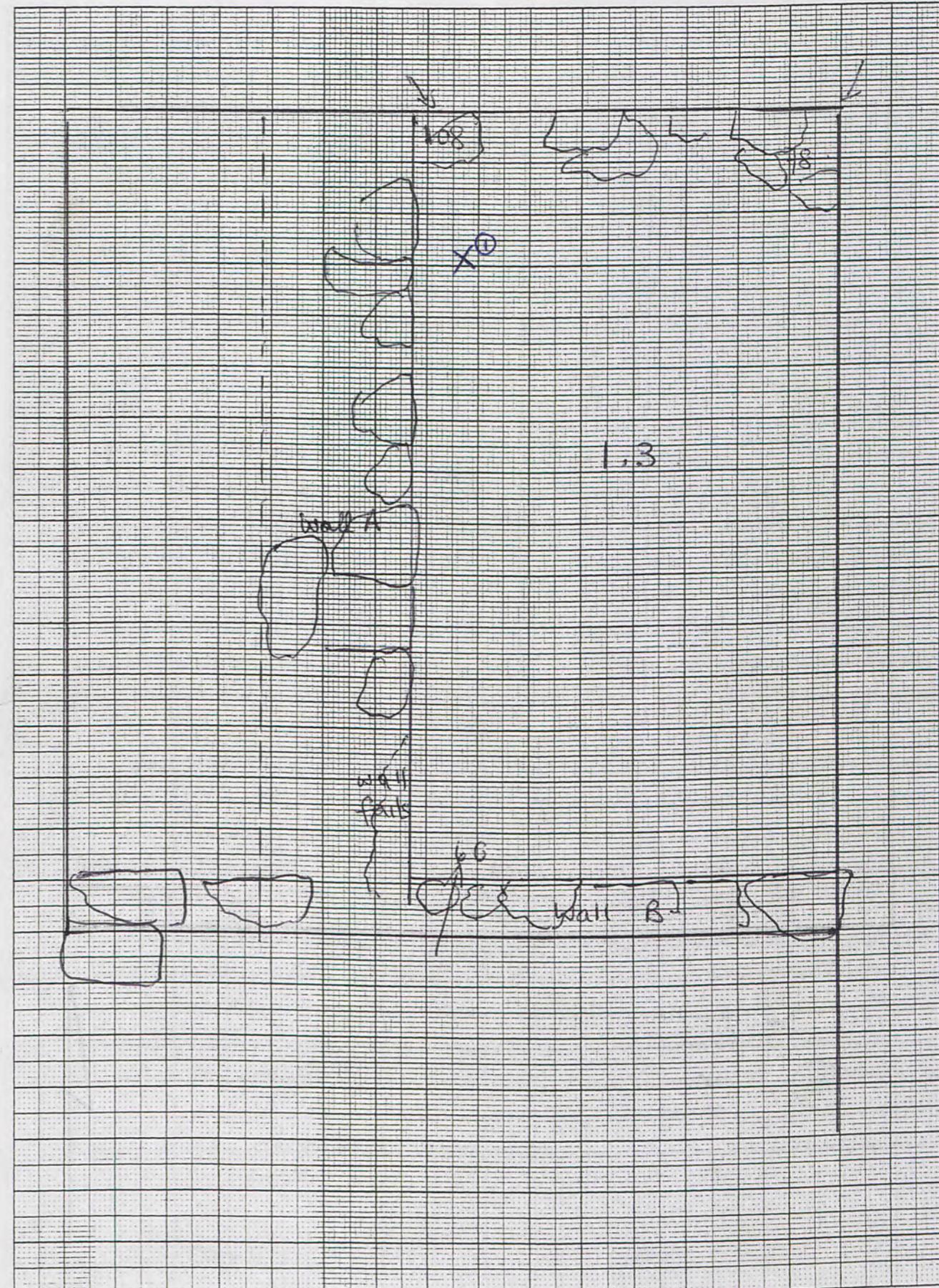
At the end of the morning, still working on spit 3. A pot appeared in the northwest corner, but will be excavated tomorrow. Final measurements in the corners:

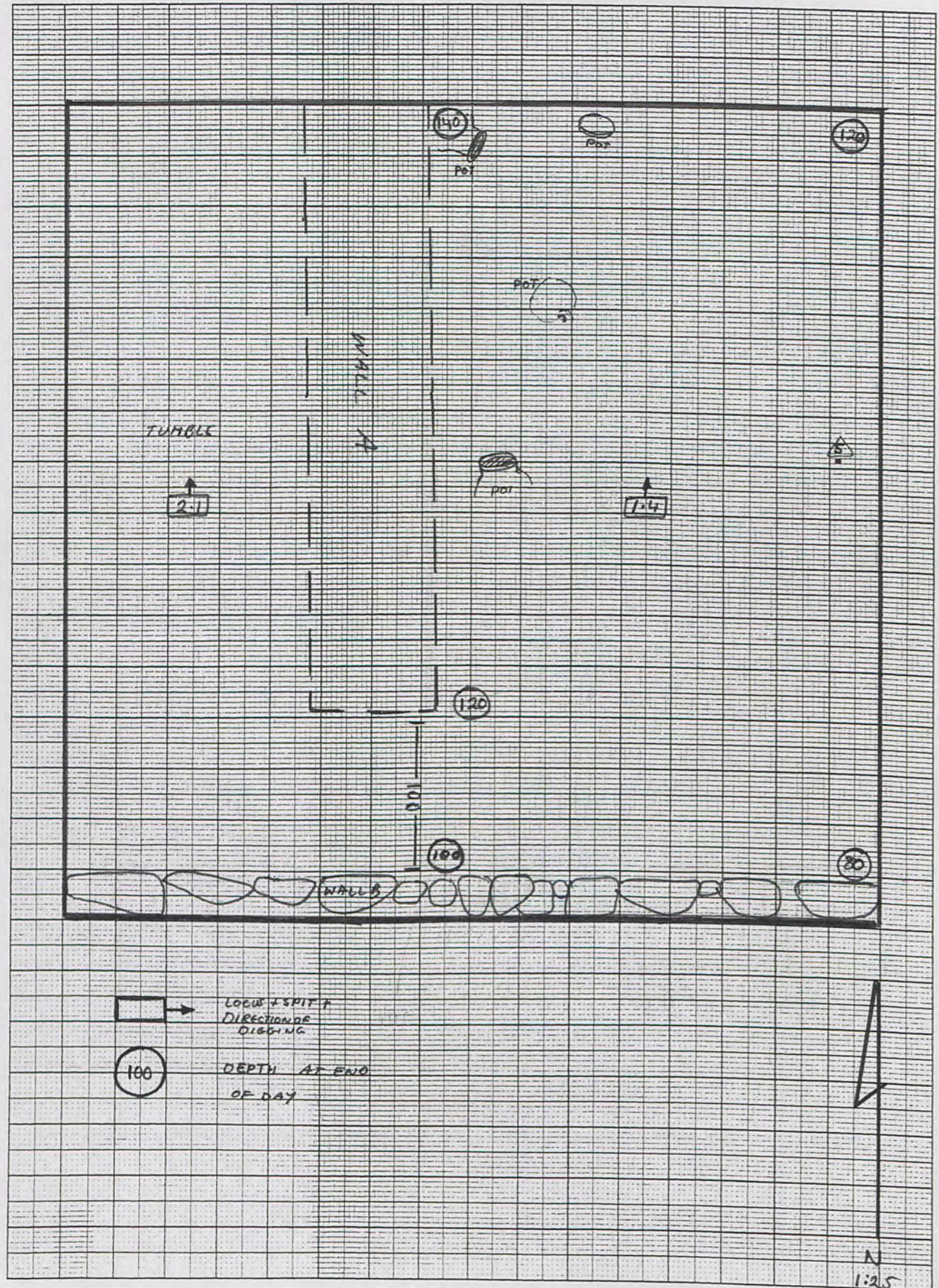
nw - 94cm ne - 89cm sw - 68cm se - 55cm

Soil still light brown and soft.

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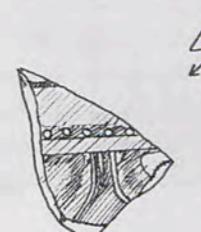
1mm Squares

Trench 100/8 Initials J-B Date 6/5/01 Page....
Locus..... Spit..... Locus..... Spit..... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	1	1:4	
Bone	1	1:4	
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
(2)	Small Blue bead.	1:4	
(3)	Moulded bowl frag.	1:4	
(4)	shell frag.	1:4	

Context	Report
1:4	Continuing down, although again, not much has changed since yesterday. Yagi says there is a door ^{>100cm wide} in the south-east junction of the two walls in the trench, and while it is by no means monumental, I am inclined to agree with her. The north side is certainly in a straight vertical line. (2) Small blue bead.
	Another pot is appearing near the middle of the N/S wall, roughly -120cm down. Strangely if one were to divide the trench in half in a N/S direction, at 80cm, the east half is much harder than the west although the soil type is still that light brown fine soil.
	The tumble has finished. I suppose the stratigraphy in the east bank will be able to tell me if there was a floor above the fill!
	(3) moulded bowl frag (4) shell frag.

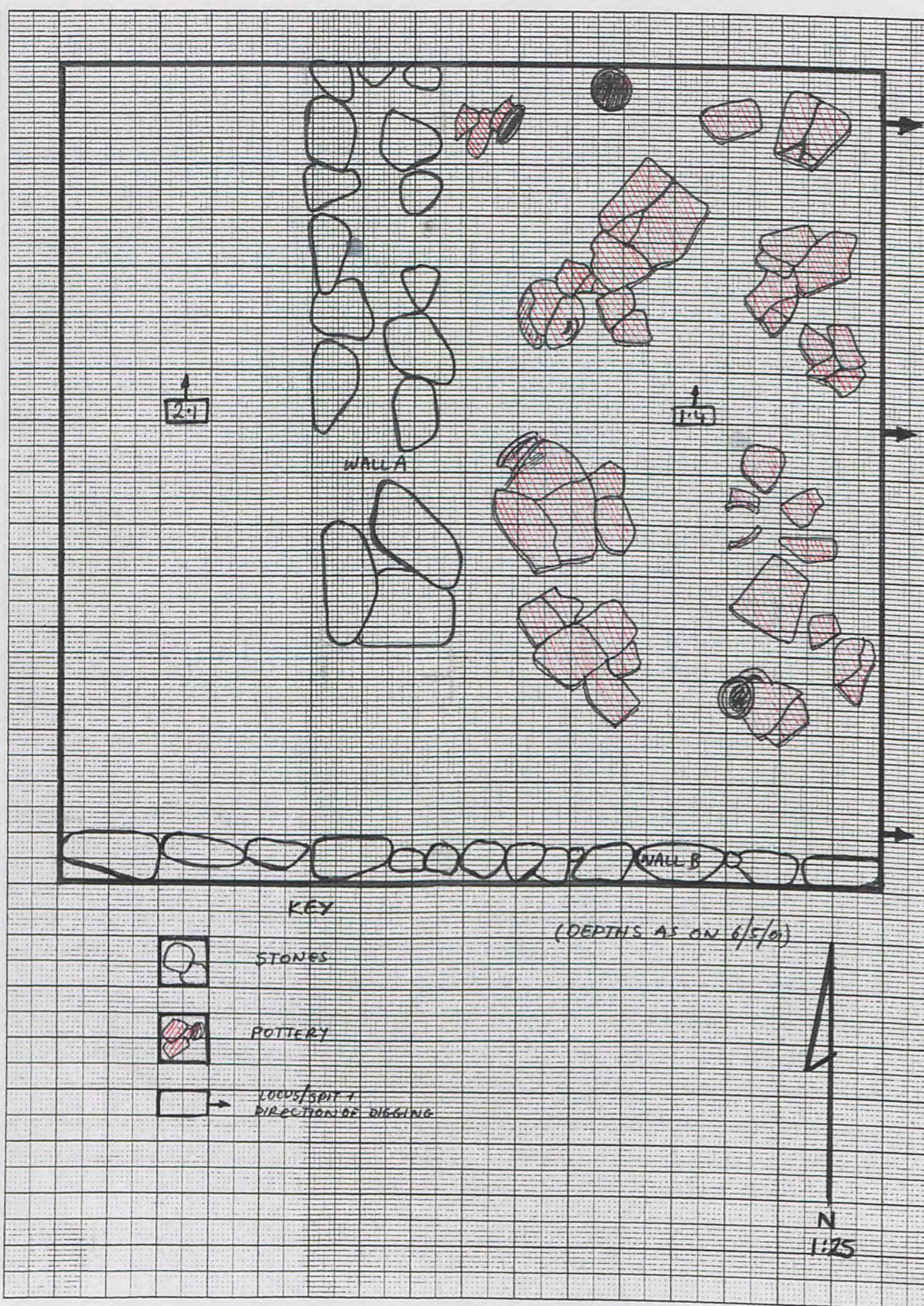


Trench.....Initials.....Date..... Page....
Locus.....Spit..... Locus.....Spit..... Feature/s.....

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

Context	Report
1:40am	<p>The surface above the pots continues to be hard.</p> <p>My fears about having gone through a surface of some kind above the layers of pots may be justified, but will now keep working on clearing the soil above the pots. Ultimately, it will turn out like 100% (west room)</p> <p>At this stage (10:00am) I feel we may have to cover the emerging pots and take a photo of the entire room tomorrow.</p>
	<p>The pots are sitting on solid ground, ashy in some places, but for some reason the workers refuse to call it a floor. We shall see.</p>
2:1	<p>~11:00am Workers have cleared the floor, but cleaning & perfecting it for a photo may take some time, so I thought it best to cover up again until tomorrow and start west of wall A. So 2:1 is clearing tumb</p>

1mm Squares



Trench.....100%.....Initials.....J.B.....Date.....7/5/01.....Page.....
Locus.....1.....Spit.....4.....Locus.....2.....Spit.....1.....Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	1	2-1	1-4 ¹⁴
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw	<i>Bw's 31-52</i>		
Photos col.			

Context Report

- 1.4 Have sweat back all of 1.4 for a photo and are waiting for the photographer. Can see at least 5 or 6 individual parts sticking out
Photo 9:00am

2.1 Meanwhile we are clearing west of wall A. The usual tumble to be found.

1.4 Well, have abandoned 2.1 for the time being. Got so excited about the pottery lifted from 1.4 that we decided to take the whole east bank down! The bank will be labelled as "8x100/8 east (see over page)"

Trench BLK 100/8 EAST Initials J.B. Date 7/5 Page....
Locus..... Spit..... Locus..... Spit..... Feature/s.....

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

Context Report

① Dig ~ 20cm down into bank
Will take the bank down in a bit of a
hurry, in depths of ~ 30cm each time.
The bank is 100cm wide
When the time comes to sort out the
pottery (ugh!) it will be important to
use both 100/s & 100/s; taking to see
if any pots can be reconstructed.

Trench B&L 100/8 EAST Initials J.B. Date 8/5/01 Page....
Locus..... Spit..... Locus..... Spit..... Feature/s.....

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Pottery	/	/2	
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

Context Report

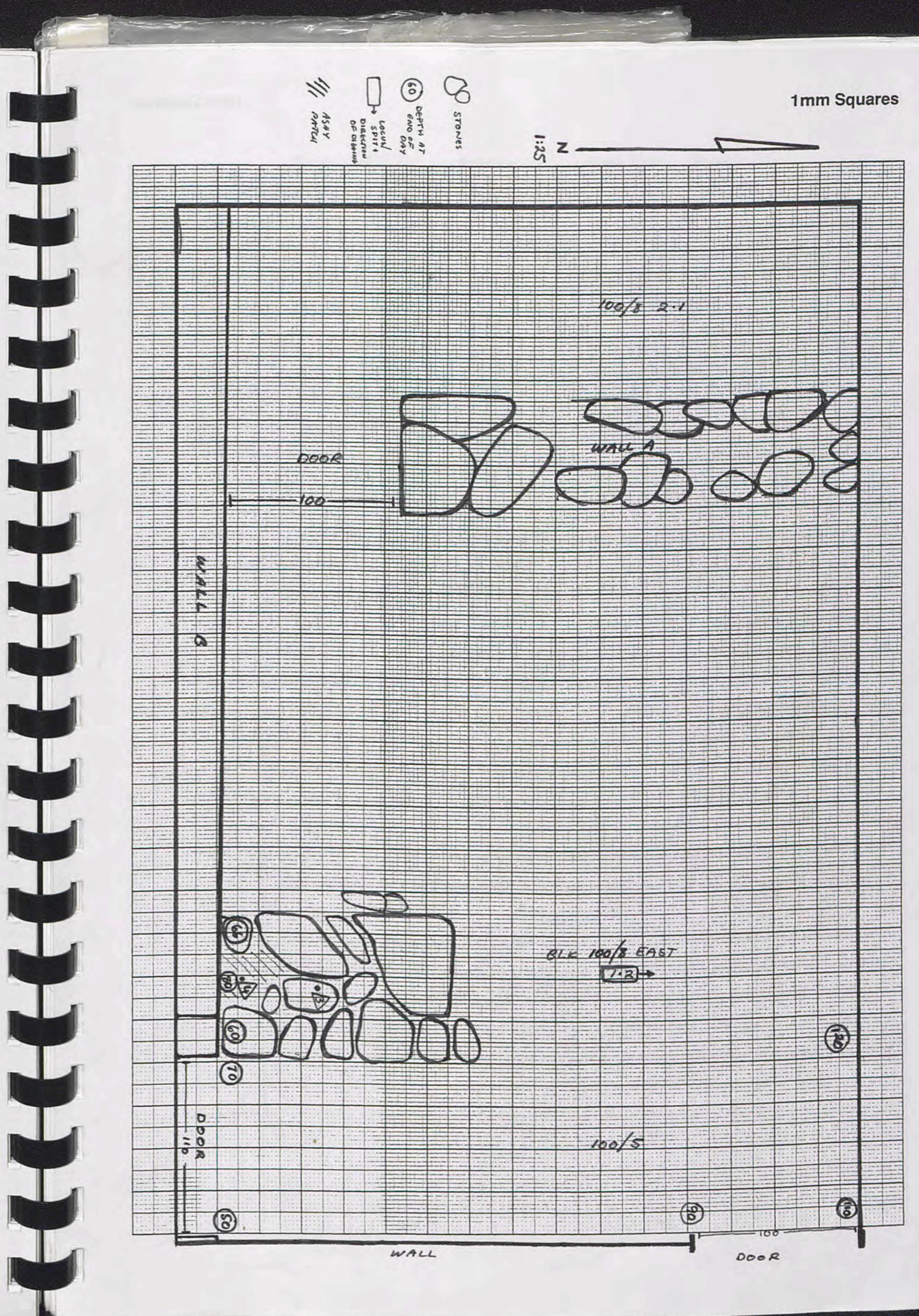
-2 Continuing down. Have cleared all the larger trouble yesterday. Should be finished by the end of the day. They promised one day and a half, and it looks like they "may do it".
③ Bronze frog.

Trench BLK 100/8 East Initials..... T.B..... Date 9/5/01..... Page.....
 Locus..... Spit..... Locus..... Spit..... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	10	10 ^y	1.2
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
(3)	Basalt bowl	1.2	
(4)	Lamp frag	1.2	

Context	Report
1.2	Cleared the baulk completely. Due to the rain yesterday, it took them a few hours longer, but they worked so hard it's all gone!
	The same amount of pottery as in 100/5 ft 100/5 was under the baulk! A small outcropping of stones laid out in a single course emerged perpendicular to wall 2 directly east of 100/5's south door. This doorway has also been well defined. In the stone outcropping, a rough hearth-like hole was found near wall 3, revealing a lamp frag which apparently dated rather late. Above the hearth was a basalt bowl.
	Cleared the earth and lifted the pottery (3) basalt bowl (above hole) (4) lamp frag (in hole)
	Back to 2.1



1mm Squares

Trench 100/8..... Initials..... Date 9/5/01 Page....
Locus 2..... Spit 1..... Locus..... Spit..... Feature/s.....

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

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
(1)	Bead	2·1	
(2)	Arrow head	2·1	
(3)	Bronze frags	2·1	
(4)	Metal weights	2·1	

Context Report

Trench.....100/8.....Initials.J.B.....Date.10/5/01 Page....
Locus.....Spit!..... Locus.....Spit..... Feature/s.....

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

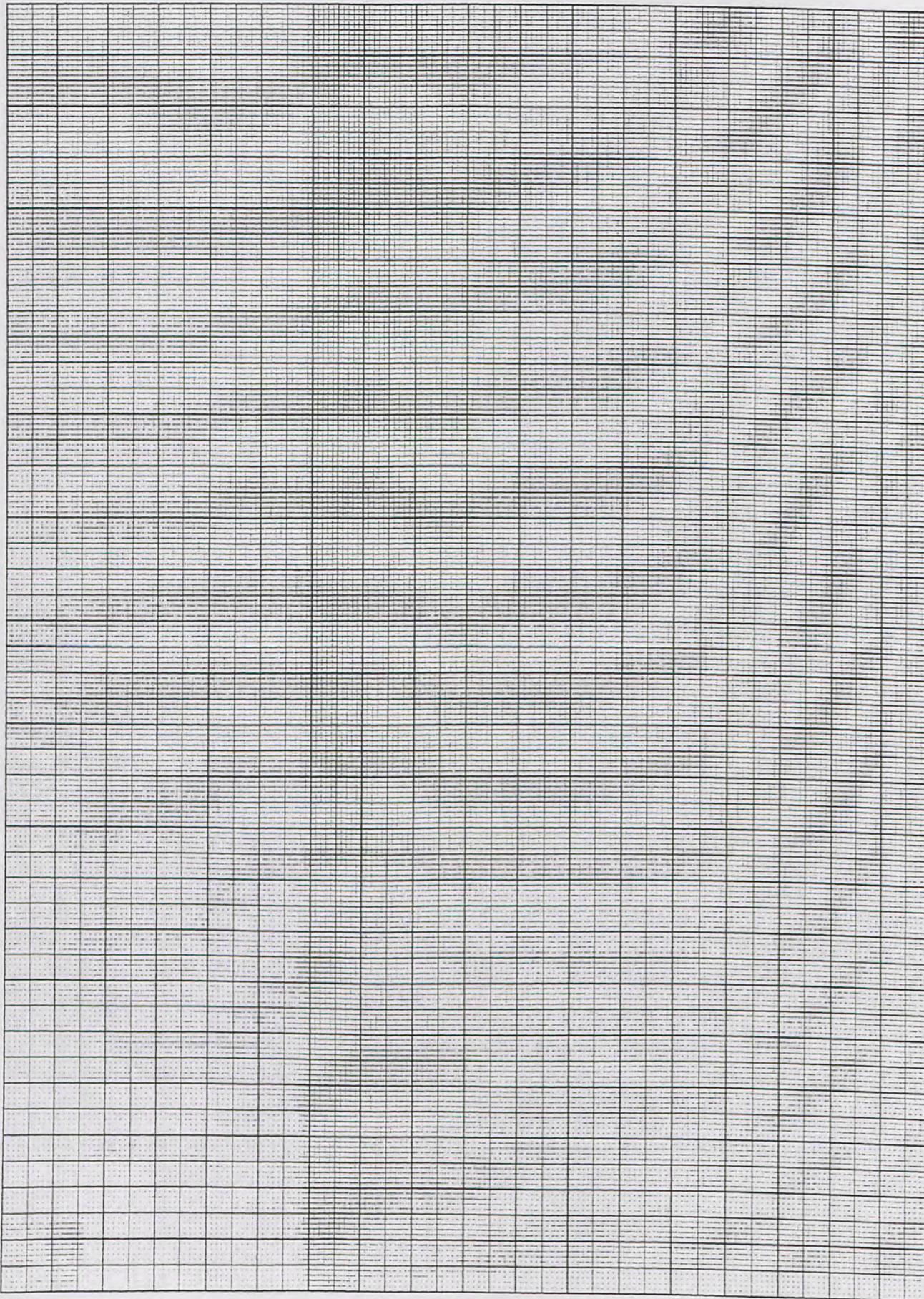
No.	Object	Cont	Cont
(5)	bead.	2-1	
(6)	glass	2-1	

Context Report

2.1 Back to clearing tumble etc. west of wall
A, as well as the doorway.
⑤ Read ~100 cm down, near doorway

8:30 a.m. most of the tumble is now gone and
the soil is light and fine and soft
(kind of peaty!) and brown with a light
orange tinge.

⑥ Glass



1mm Squares

BLK 100/5

Trench... NTH..... Initials... J.B..... Date... 14/5/01 Page....

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

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

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
(1)	flint blade	1..1	
(2)	rodent ^{skull} crani?	1..1	
(3)	ceramic lid?/stamp?/stopper	1..1	

Context Report

1..1	<p>Attempting to redefine the wall in the north bank of 100/5 (in the 100/6 & 100/5) will work first in the NE corner, defining the north wall, then probably move to the NW to define the door and wall face.</p> <p>(1) flint blade.</p> <p>In terms of context, this may be a bit of a mess, because we have to attack it sideways, but the flint comes down from roughly 50-60cm in the wall face. Some problems arising in the N/E corner:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The wall is almost vertical, so it is a bit dangerous to dig stones out 2. The wall is a bit of a mess in the far corner. Will just clear the stones out and move on <p>(2) rodent ^{skull} head with two huge bottom canines</p> <p>(3) ceramic lid?/stamp?/stopper?</p>
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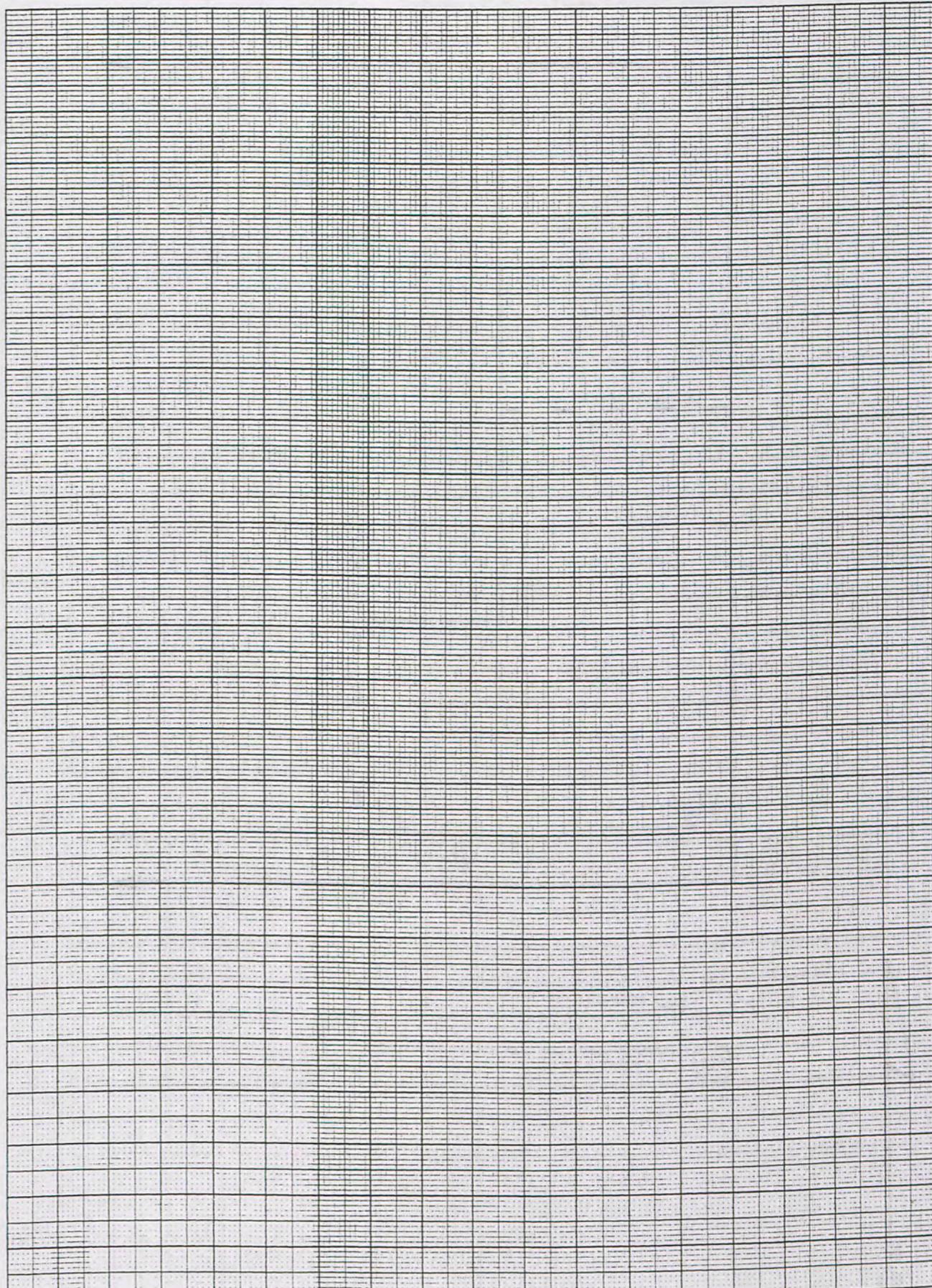
Trench 4 100/5 N/C Initials..... Date..... Page....
 Locus..... Spit..... Locus..... Spit..... Feature/s.....

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

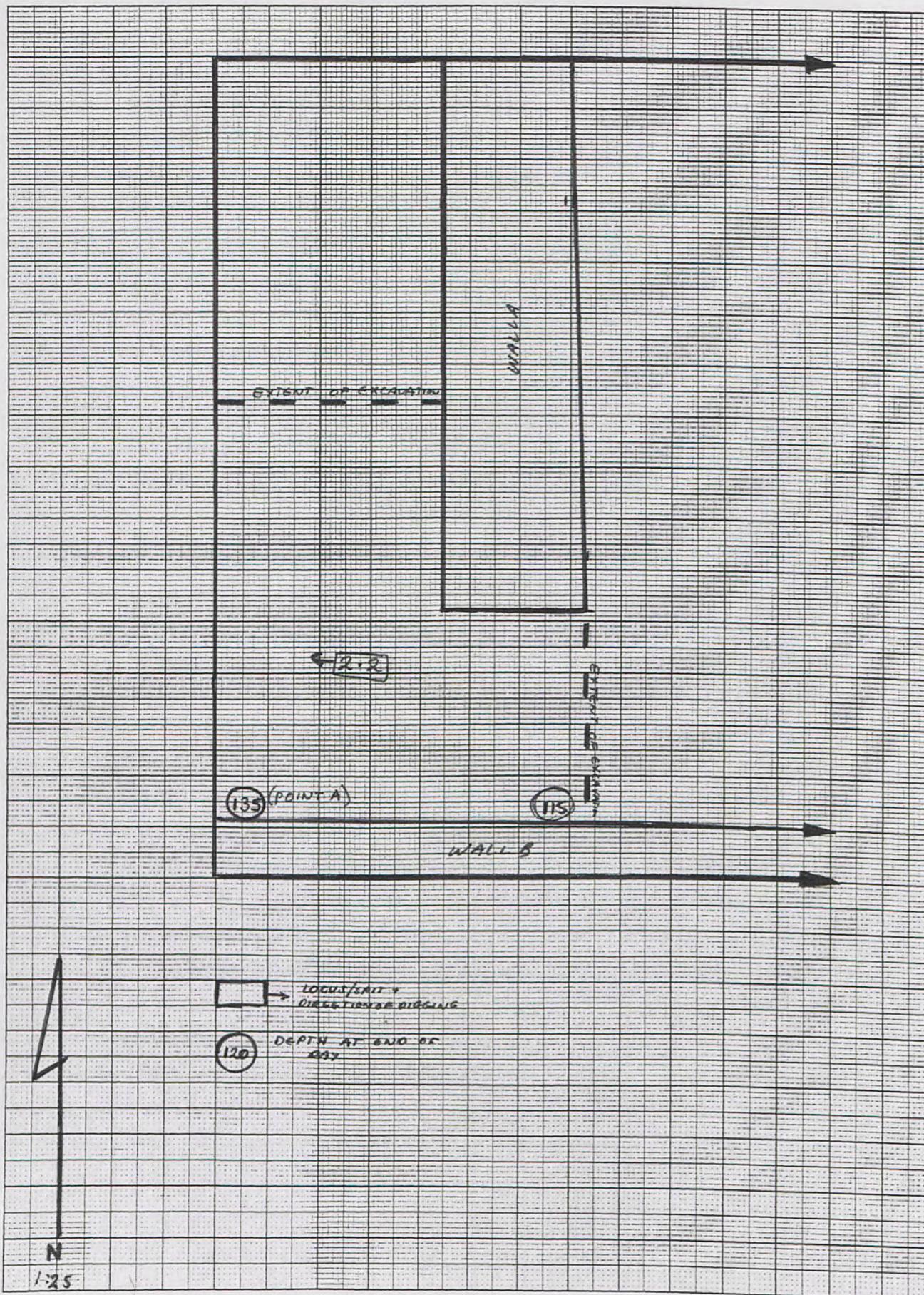
No.	Object	Cont	Cont
A	lamp frag	1/1	
B	nail?	1/1	

Context	Report
1/1 cont.	Of course, Yagis idea of cleaning the rocks means a determination to find the wall even if she starts a milewide. But the wall has been found again and things are looking good again.
	Have decided not to do the N/W corner by the door because it is pretty clear in its plan.
(4)	lamp frag.
	Bedrock in N/E corner is 20cm down from the top of the rocks, which in turn stick up ~30cm, so 170cm from top.
	In that case, the floor reached in 100/5 & 100/8 are previous floors, being so close & bedrock. A notch edge was roughly carved out of bedrock to create a solid foundation for the wall.
	(5) Nail (near bedrock)

Back to 100/8 2.2



1mm Squares



Trench.....100/8.....Initials.....J.C......Date.....14/5/01.....Page.....
Locus.....2.....Spit.....2..... Locus.....Spit..... Feature/s.....

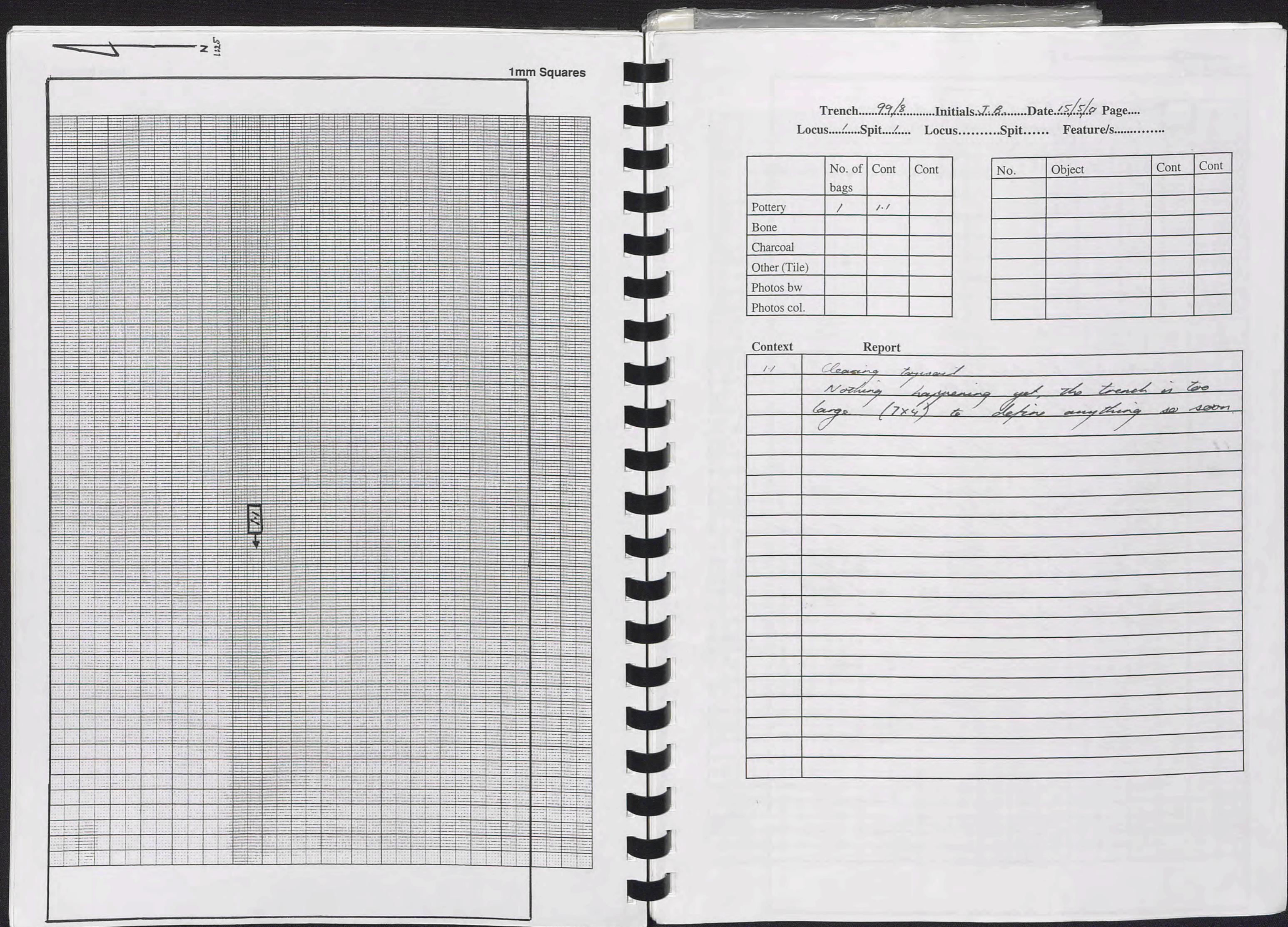
	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	1	2.2	
Bone	1	2.2	
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)	5		
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
⑦	shell	2-2	
⑧	fossily worked bone?	2.2	

Context Report

2.2 Although the bottom of 2.1 is believed to be the primary floor, have marked out a small area around the door and under 2.1 to see how far to bedrock. Level at top of 2.2 = 115cm (point A) Soil is more crumbly, with an orange tinge.
A Shell - 115cm down
B Possibly worked bone?
Bedrock is not far down from primary floor.

But where is bedrock? Context record ② 135cm ie. 20cm below



Trench.....99/8.....Initials.....T.B.....Date.....16/5.....Page.....
 Locus.....!....Spit!..... Locus..... Spit..... Feature/s.....

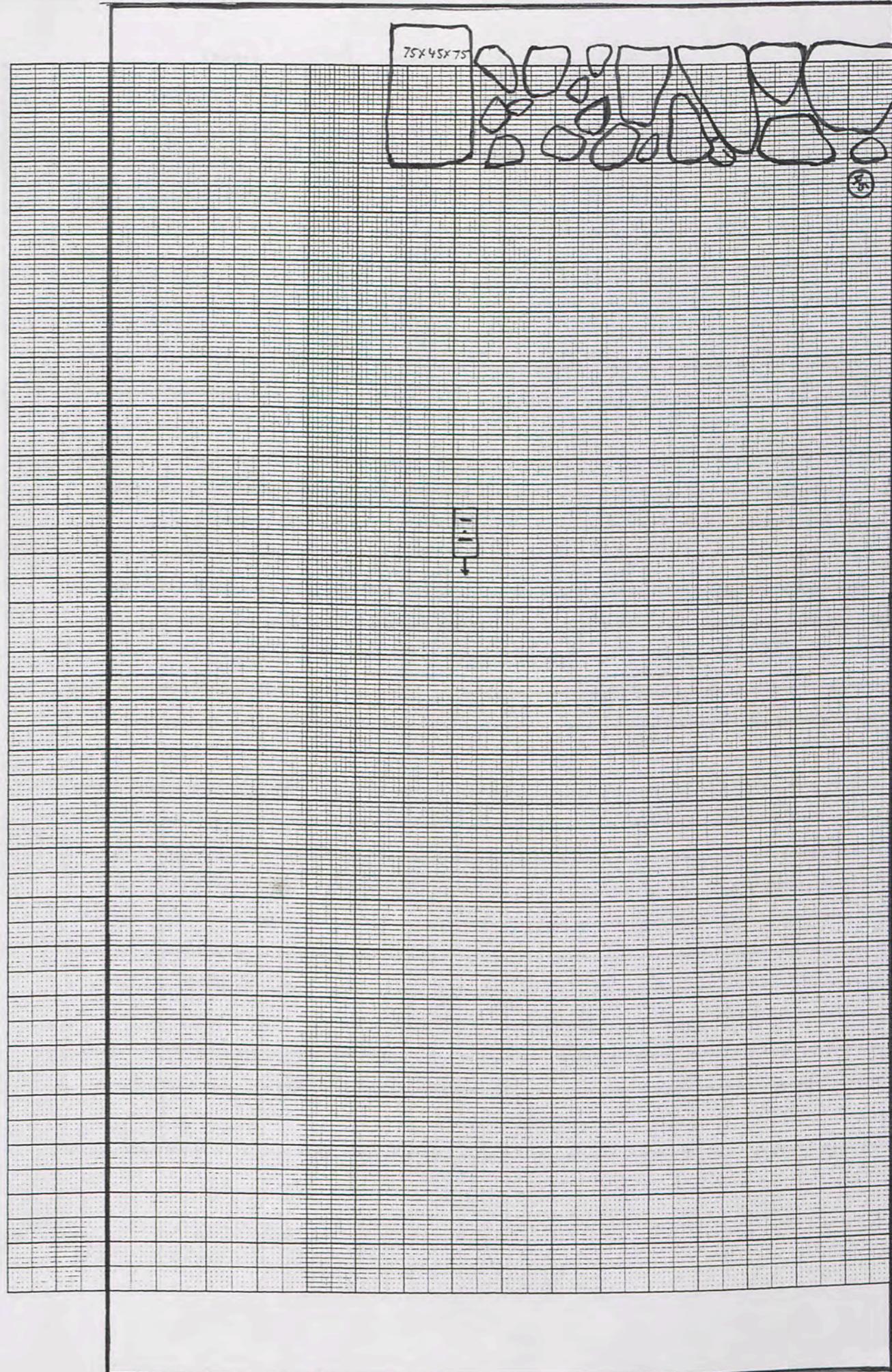
	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	11	1.1	1.2
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw	bw 8. 9-10		
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont

Context Report

1.1	Continuing to clear off topsoil and to define the upper tumble with brushes. Cleared 4" swept back for photo.
1.1	Clearing the usual tumble
	Have reached bedrock in the NW corner after roughly 30cm! This may make it difficult to find any walls or floors in the trench. It does slope down dramatically in the south, because 98/1 and 99/7 are quite deep.

5:1 N
1mm Squares



1mm Squares

Trench.....99/8.....Initials.....T.S.....Date.....17/5/01.....Page.....
Locus.....!.....Spit!..... Locus.....Spit..... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	2	1.1	
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

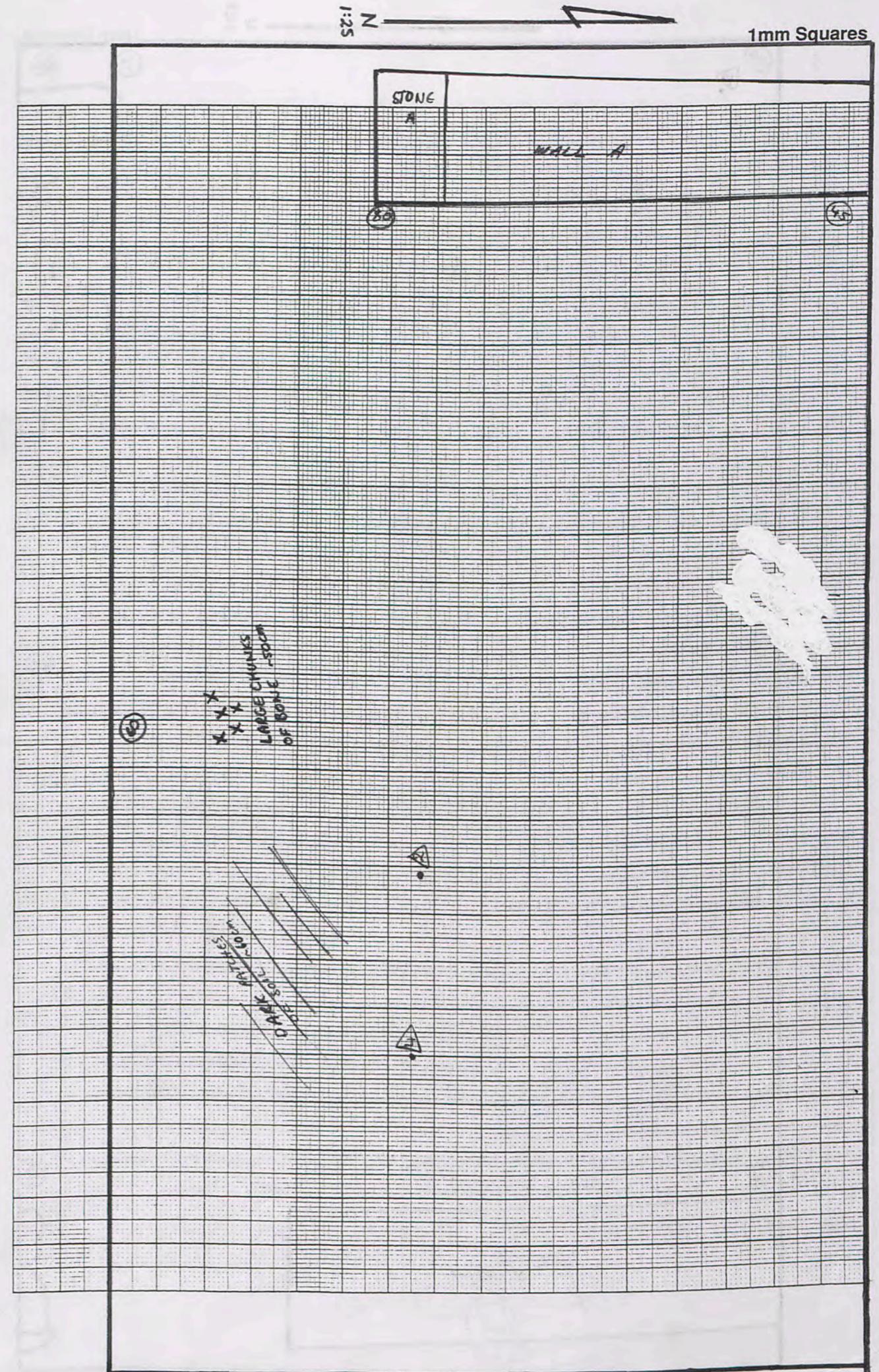
Context	Report
1.1	<p>Still clearing tumulus</p> <p>Bedrock slopes down slightly towards the south</p> <p>We are still excavating in an easterly direction with no changes.</p> <p>Ø bead → south bank, in the middle ~60cm down</p>

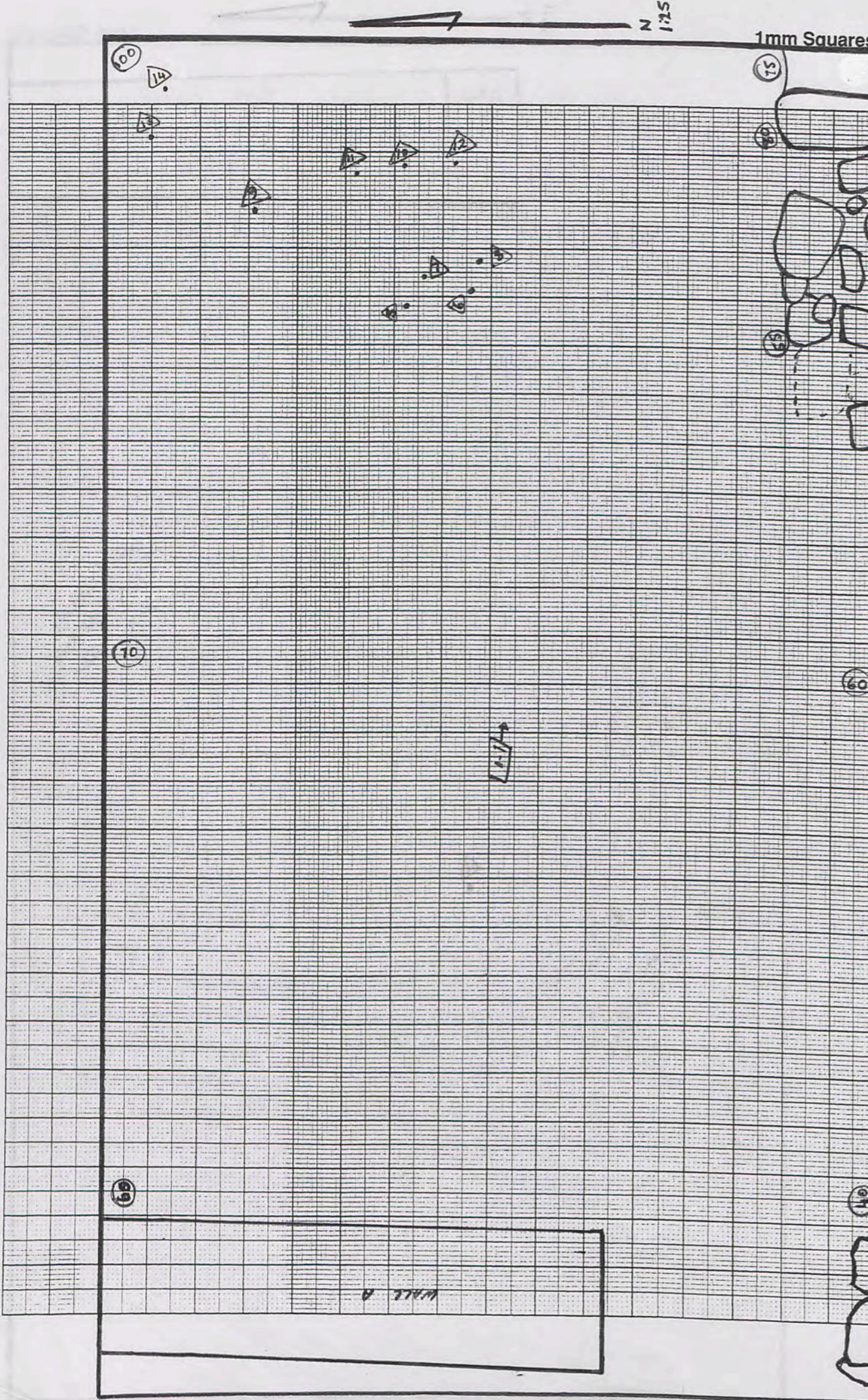
Trench 99/8 Initials J.B Date 19/5/01 Page....
 Locus..... Spit..... Locus..... Spit..... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	3	1.1	
Bone	1	1.1	
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
(2)	big frag stone	1.1	
(3)	potsherd	1.1	
(4)	glass bead	1.1	

Context	Report
1.1	Continuing to clear trench in an easterly direction. A big frag ~20cm down
	If you measuring the space after the large stone at the south end of unit 4, ^(Stone 2) there is only about 3cm b/w it & bedrock. So wall A if was built on bedrock.
	(3) potsherd → handed to me today, but apparently comes from an area excavated on the 17/5/ → lying on bedrock.
	(4) glass bead ~60cm down → above bedrock





Trench..... 99/8..... Initials.... T.B..... Date..... 20/5/01 Page.....
Locus..... /..... Spit..... /..... Locus..... Spit..... Feature/s.....

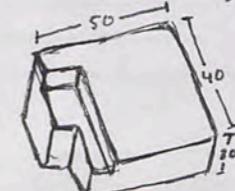
	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	2	1/1	
Bone	1	1/1	
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
(5)	lamp frag	1/1	
(6)	fig head	1/1	
(7)	fig frag	1/1	
(8)	worked stone?	1/1	
(9)	Stone from ring?	1/1	
(10)	Nail	1/1	
(11)	Metal plate hole	1/1	
(12)	fig frag.	1/1	

Context Report

- 1/1 Nearing the east build now. Tumble continues to be cleared to bedrock across the trench
 In the south east, a corner of sorts with smallish stones is emerging, abutting what looks to be a doorway. This would indicate the possibility of a door jamb in the crossroads of the east and south walls.
 Apart from that, nothing much is changing!
 (5) lamp frag
 (6) fig head } all from the same area
 (7) fig frag } ~80cm down.
 (8) worked stone? } Possibly a niche in one of the walls?
 (9) Stone from ring (?) ~70cm down
 (10) Nail
 (11) Metal plate + hole } ~90cm
 (12) fig frag

Removed a large threshold stone abutting the east build, very much out of situ. Could have come from the door suspected in the east & south build.



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

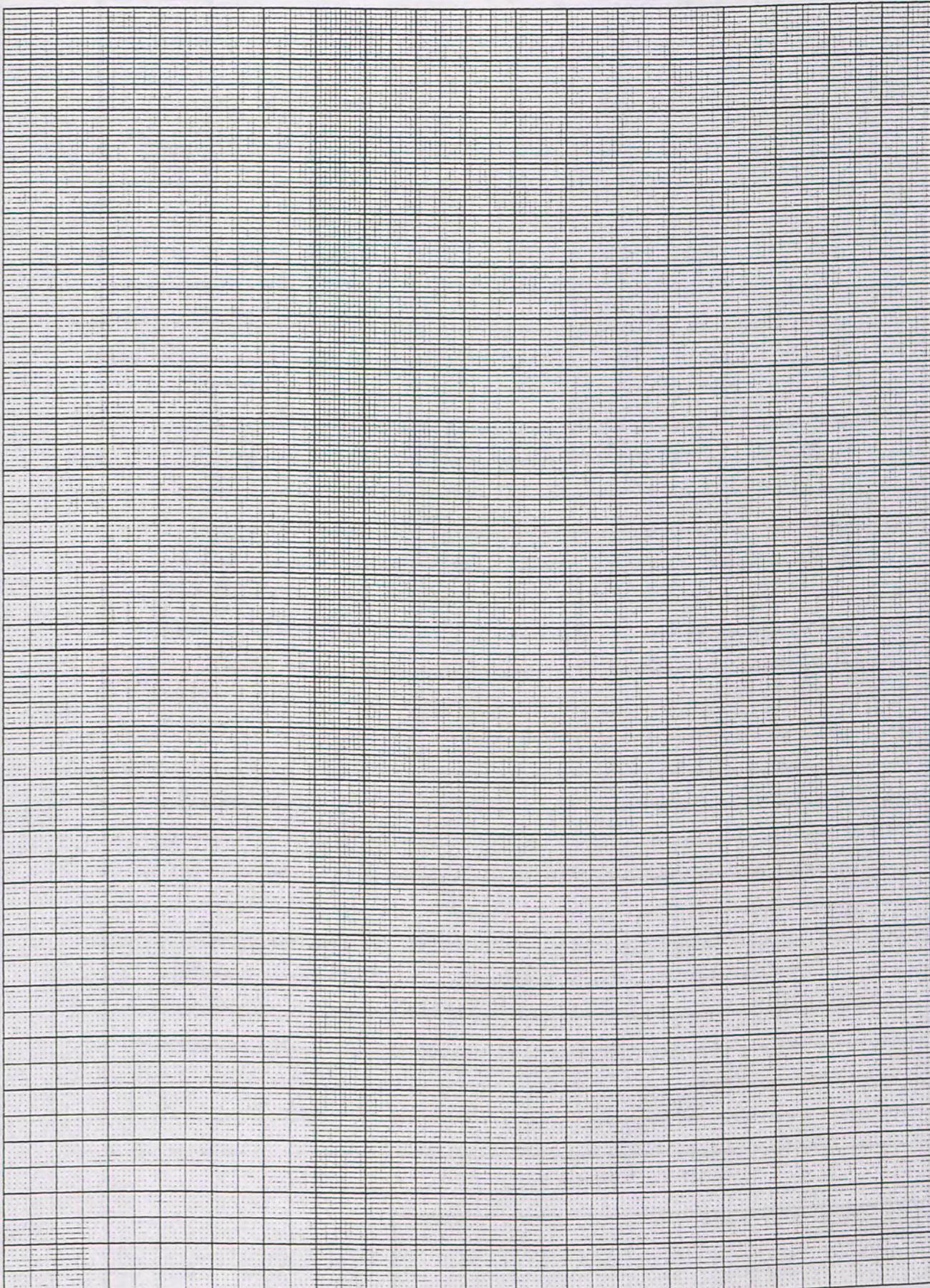
	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery			
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

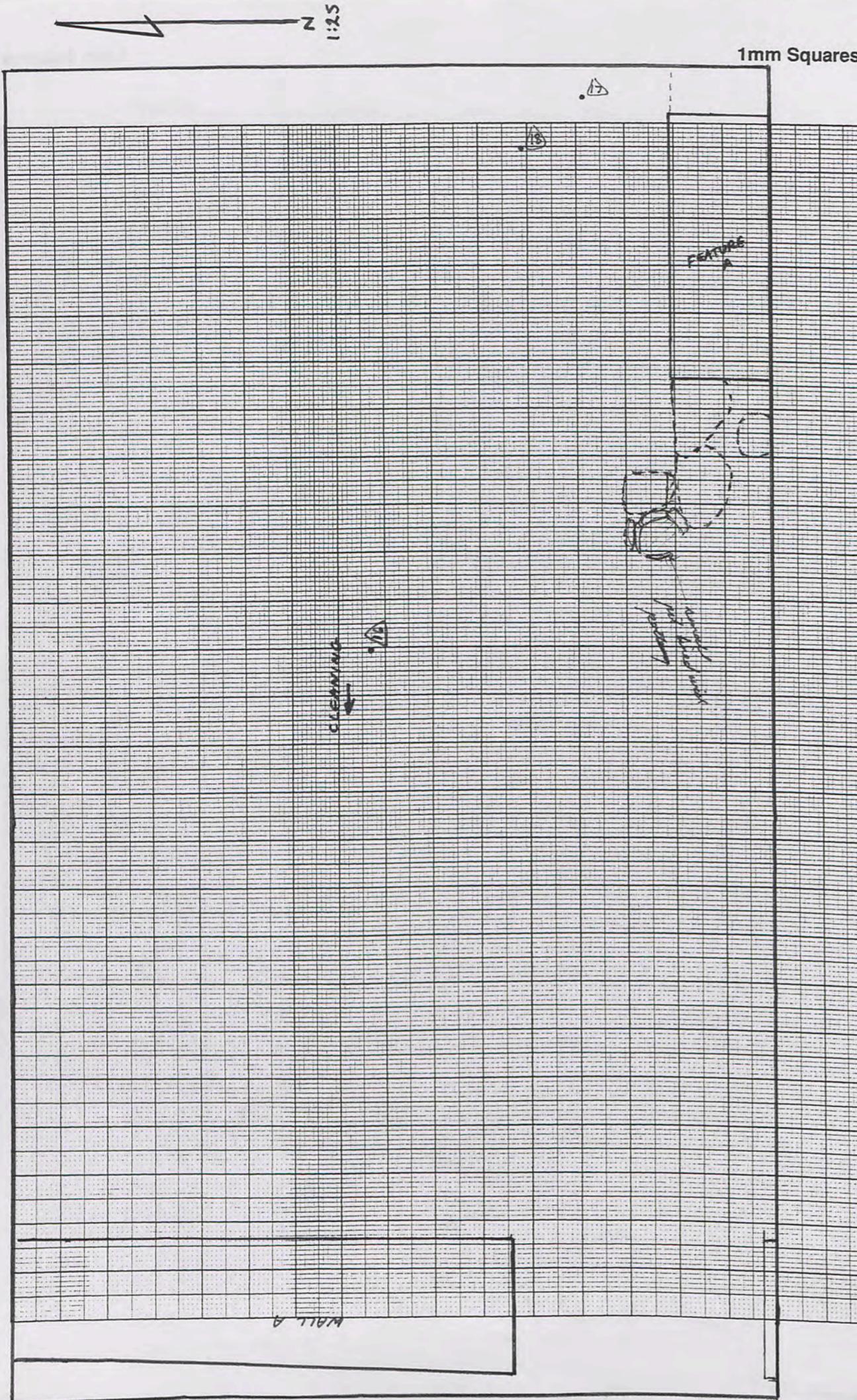
No.	Object	Cont	Cont
(3)	Glass frag	1.1	
(4)	bead	1.1	
(5)	glass frag	1.1	

Context

Report

1.1 cont	(3) glass frag - 80cm down
	(4) bead - Cleaning doorway Went back west to quickly clean the doorway in wall A. The northern doorway stone is clearly still there, but the southern one has moved, so it is difficult to tell where the doorway finishes or how large it was.
	(5) glass frag - 90cm Half a basalt grinding stone has come from the tumble by the east bank. 20cm wide 5cm thick ?cm long



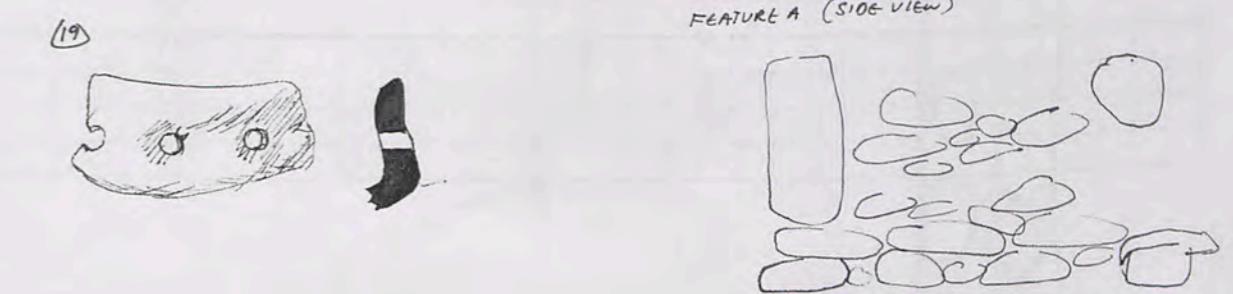


Trench..... 99/8..... Initials..... J. C..... Date..... 2/5/01..... Page.....
Locus..... Spit..... Locus..... Spit..... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	1	1-1	
Bone	1	1-1	
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw	6W10 22-23		
Photos col.	HJ 5. 4-5		

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
(16)	Glass frag	1-1	
(17)	Coin	1-1	
(18)	Glass frag	1-1	
(19)	Camp. frag	1-1	

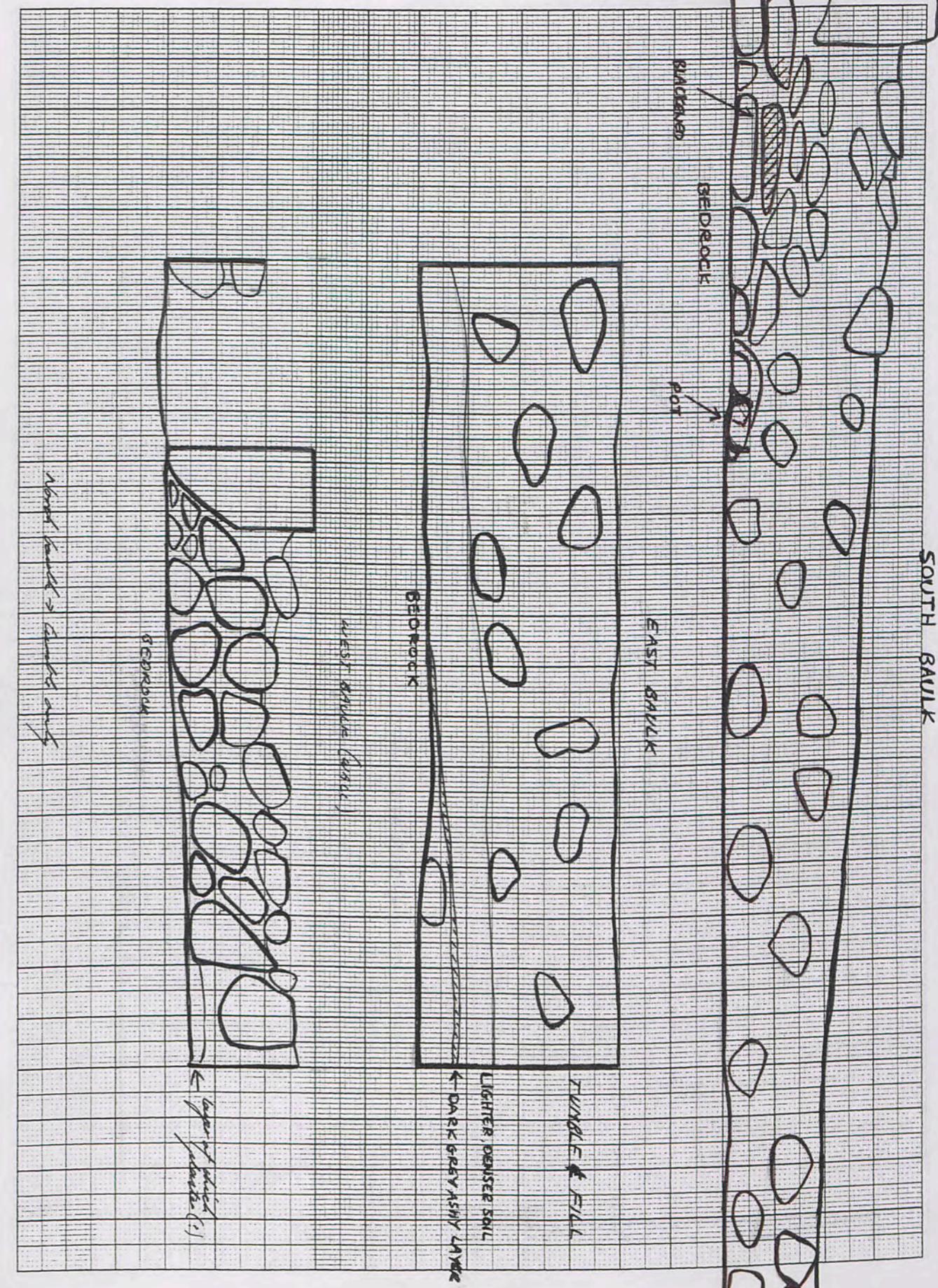
Context	Report
1-1	Cleaning up now, especially in the eastern corner, to define the feature in its south east corner. The soil is very hard loam and only about 5cm from bedrock. (16) glass frag. (17) coin ~80cm (18) glass frag. (19) multi-winch camp. frag.
	Most of these objects are being lifted from bedrock, possibly supporting the fact that we have found no floor above bedrock. The floor was probably simply fill in the hollows and dips of the bedrock. Have concentrated on the area around the strange feature in the south east, to find its end etc.
	Swept back for photo



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

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

SCALE 1:25



1mm Squares

Trench.....99/6.....Initials....J.E.....Date.....2/5/01.....Page.....

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

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

Context	Report
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1mm Squares

Trench.....99/6.....Initials.....J.B.....Date.....22/5/01.....Page....
Locus.....!.....Spit.....!.....Locus.....Spit.....Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	1 /	1-1	1-2
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw	B&W 12.17		
Photos col.			

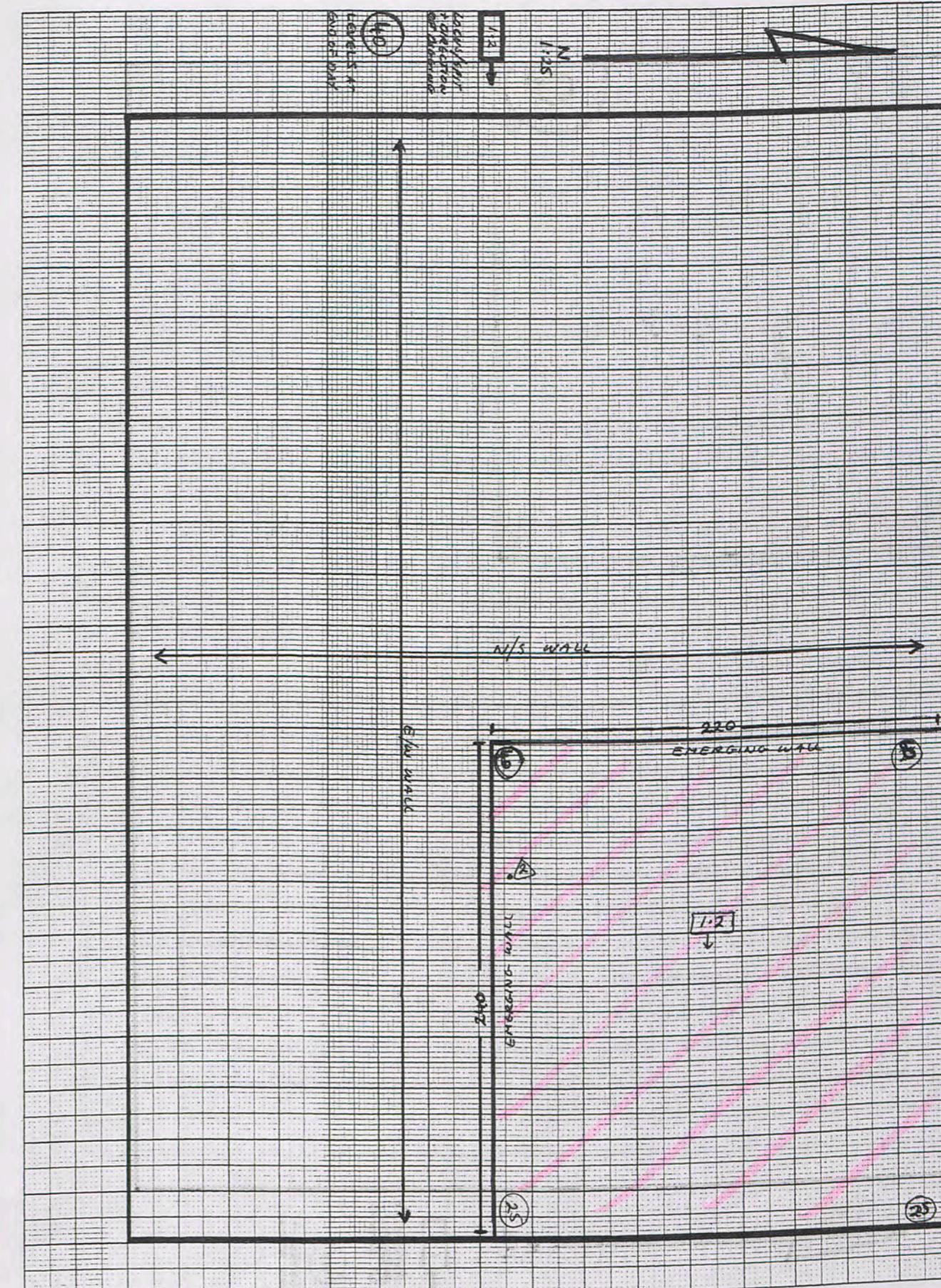
No.	Object	Cont	Cont
①	Shell	1.1	
②	Coin	1.2	

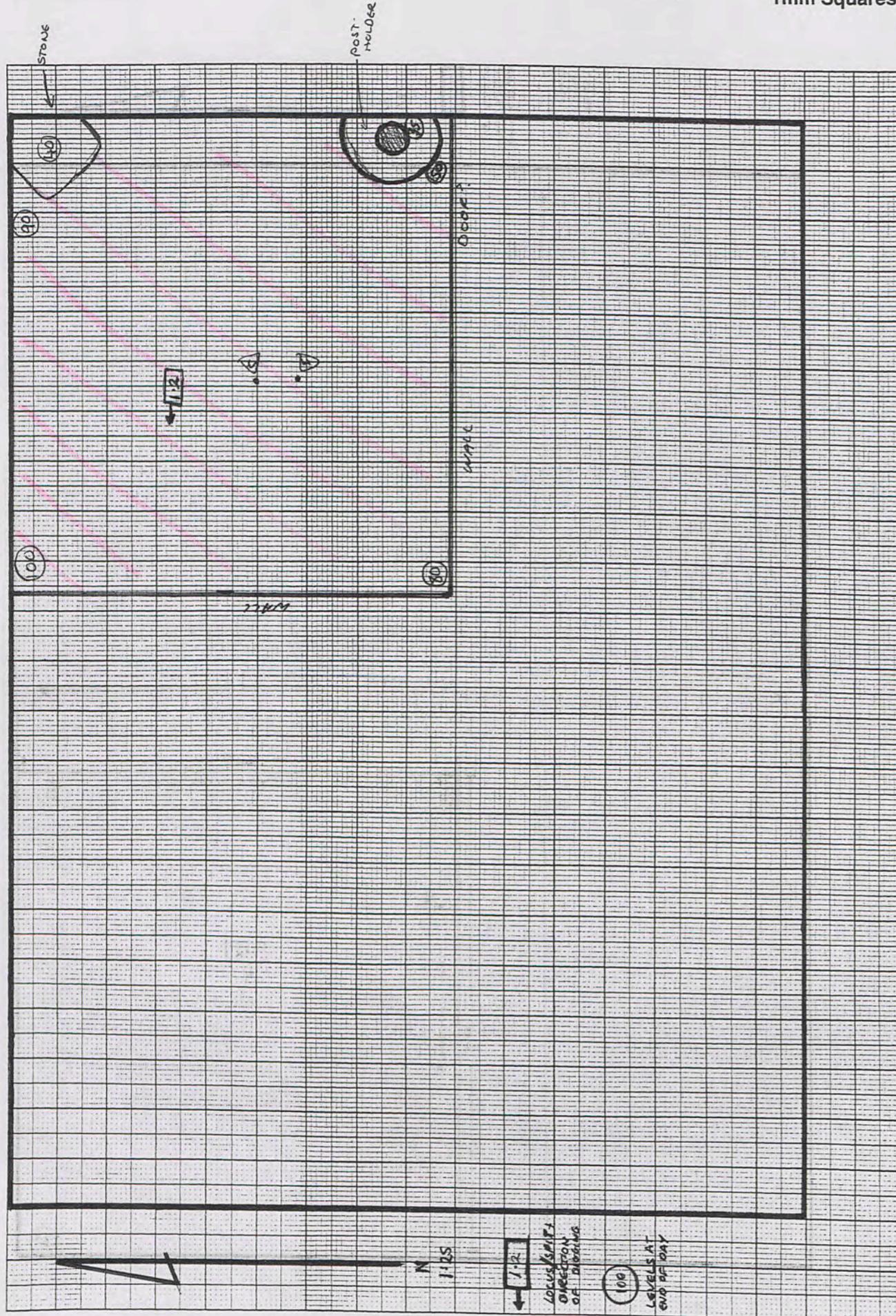
Context Report

1.1 Continuing to clear topsoil
Some emerging walls already - n/s & e/w
① Shell.

Photo taken @ 8:10 am.

1.2 Clearing trench
② Coal → 15cm down





Trench..... 99/6..... Initials..... J.R..... Date..... 23/5/01 Page.....
Locus..... /..... Spit..... Locus..... Spit..... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	1	1.2	
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
(3)	metal blobs	1.2	
(4)	nails	1.2	
(5)	mini marble pot	1.2	

Context Report

1.2	<p>Continuing to clear trench in the N/E quarter</p> <p>(3) metal blobs</p> <p>One piece of red plastic came up - bagged & tagged</p> <p>(4) nails - 50 cm down</p> <p>(5) mini marble pot ~60cm</p>
	<p>Tayo thinks there is a door in the sand/earthen wall of 1.2 etc. the wall becomes very shabby here. She may be onto something because there is a matching blocked doorway in the south of 99/5.</p>
	<p>Her suspicion is, as usual, correct. A door post hole has emerged in the s/e corner next to the door.</p>
	<p>24/5/01 - am reassessing! see over</p>

Area 8

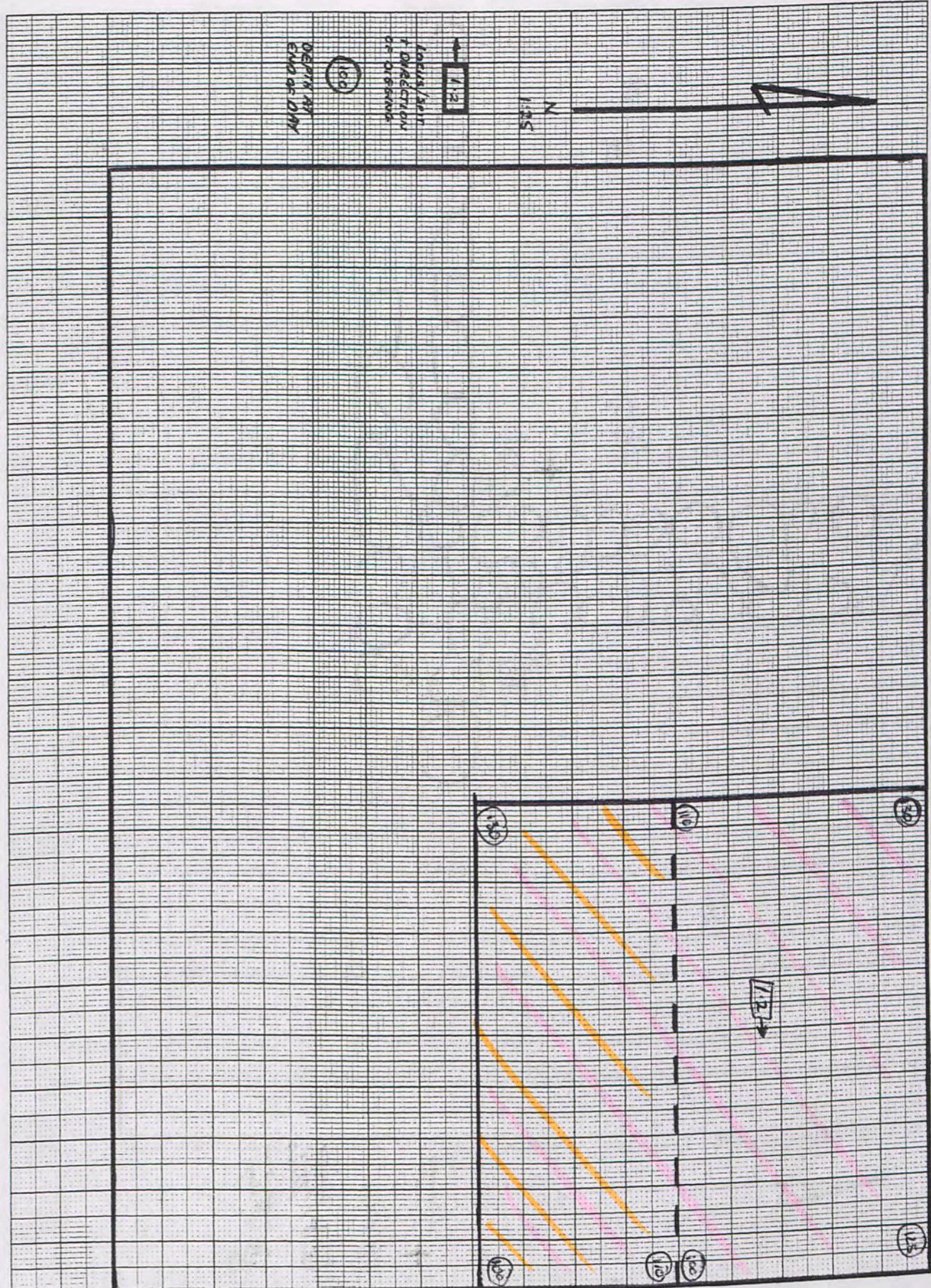
Trench.....99/6.....Initials.....J.B.....Date.....24/5/01.....Page.....
 Locus.....1.....Spit.....2..... Locus.....Spit..... Feature/s.....

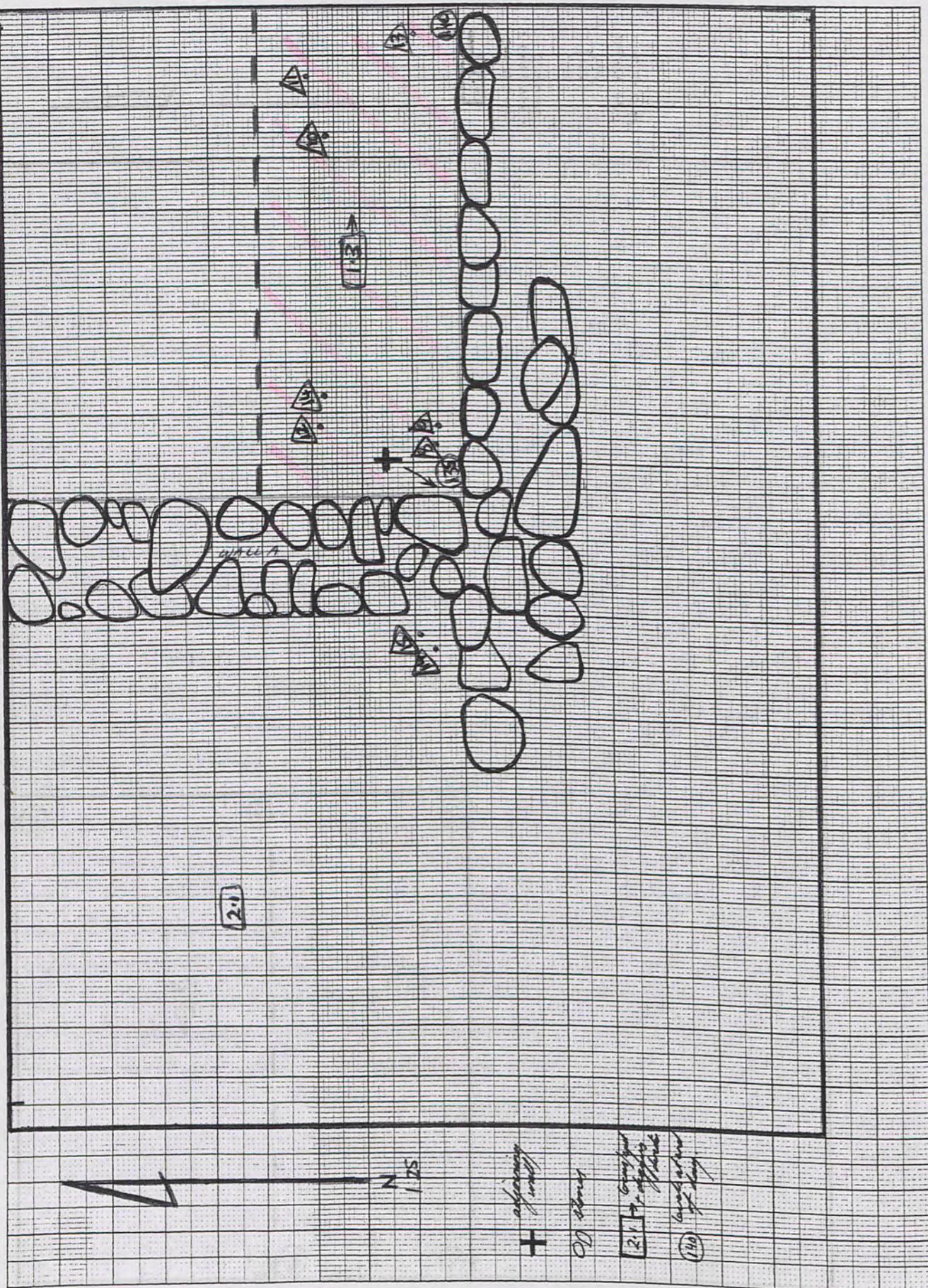
	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	1	1.2	
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
(6)	Nail	1.2	

Context Report

1.2	<p>Continuing down in the north east corner /quartz I'm a little worried because we have not reached a floor yet, but a beautiful one has come up quite quickly to the west in 99/9. The workers can still stick their tools in quite deeply with no resistance. Soil is however, becoming more red & crumbly</p> <p>(6) Nail</p> <p>Can see traces of adobe on the back base wall courses in the west wall (N/S)</p> <p>* I don't think the door is a door anymore, or it is so well disguised that it blends in perfectly. Will divide the ^{quartz} in half and only continue in the southern half of it. See over for 265 assessment</p> <p style="text-align: right;">⇒</p>
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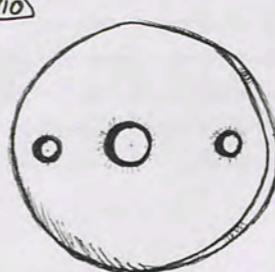


Trench... 99/6..... Initials... TR..... Date... 26/5/0x Page....
Locus... 1... Spit... 3... Locus... 2... Spit... 1..... Feature/s.....

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

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
(7)	glass frags	1-3	
(8)	lamp frags	1-3	
(9)	nail	1-3	
(10)	spindle whorl	1-3	
(11)	iron ring	1-3	
(12)	nail	1-3	
(13)	arrowhead(?)	1-3	
(14)	nail	1-3	

Context	Report
1-3	Have changed spit for the half-trench. Will hopefully reach a floor or bedrock soon! (7) glass frags
*	Suspect we may have missed a trashed floor -50cm up from where we are now, because the post holder is very high up. There is also a short layer of what under it (8) lamp frag. -130cm (9) nail 130cm
	The soil has actually returned to being fine and light brown with tumbler!
	(10) spindle whorl -130cm (11) iron ring -130cm (12) nail -130cm (13) arrowhead (?) -130-135cm (14) nail
	8:00am - have finally reached bedrock/Hor! Will sweep and photograph tomorrow We are now working west of n/s wall (actual) ->



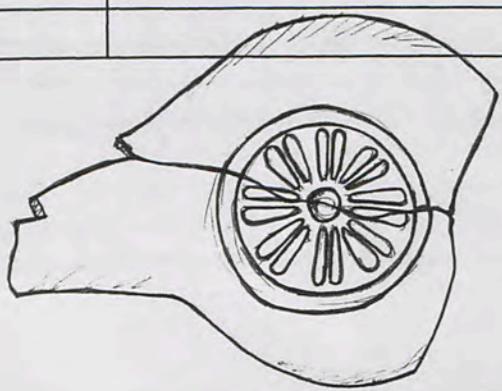
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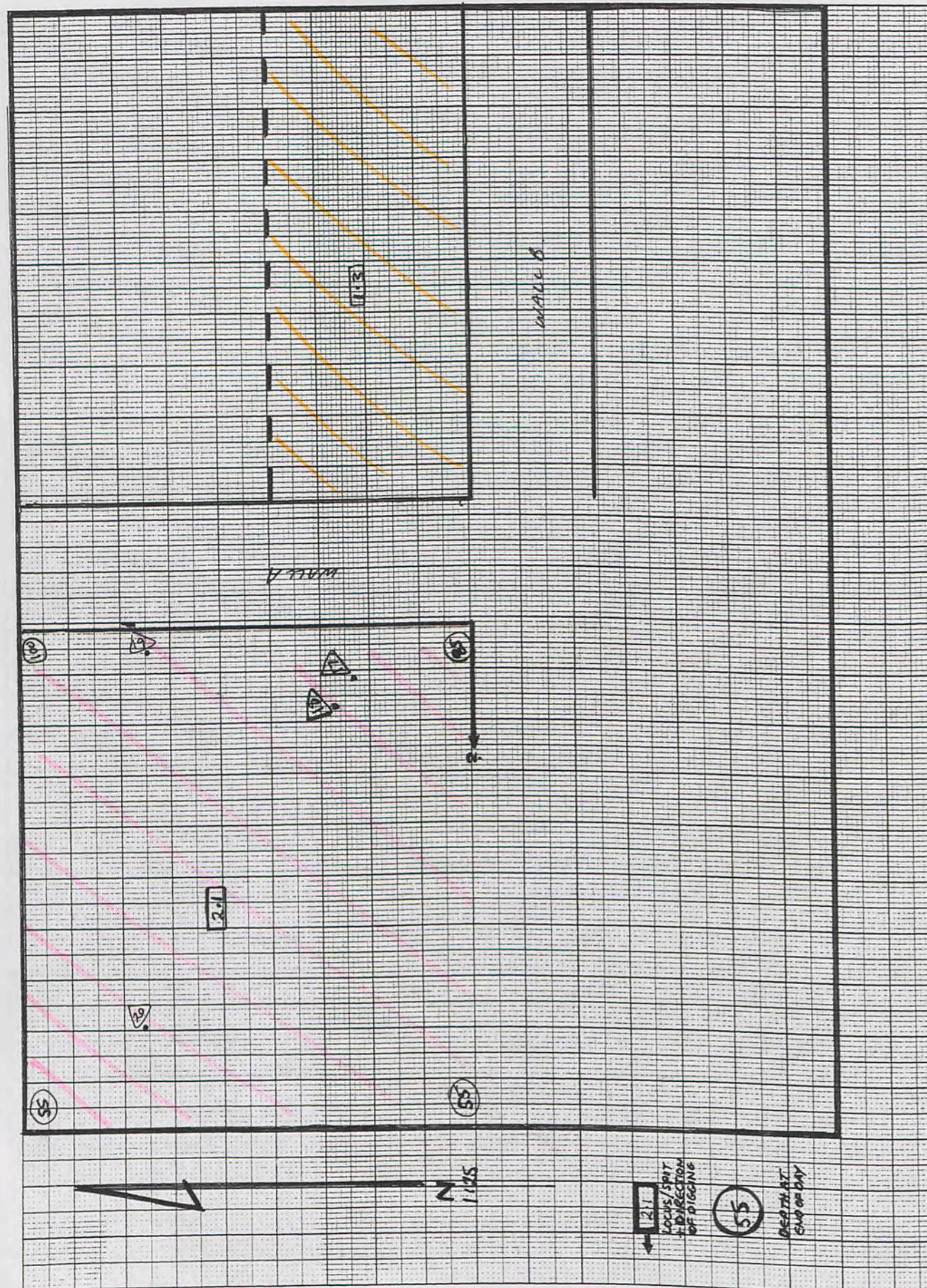
Trench.....Initials.....Date..... Page....
Locus.....Spit..... Locus.....Spit..... Feature/s.....

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

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
(15)	bony frag	21	
(16)	small metal rod	2-1	

Context	Report
2-1	<p>West of r/s wall (new walls)</p> <p>Clearing tumbler Aim is especially to find out what happens with the wall of 99/9 (E/w) in the west.</p> <p>(1) long flag - 10cm down</p> <p>(2) small metal rod - 15cm down</p>





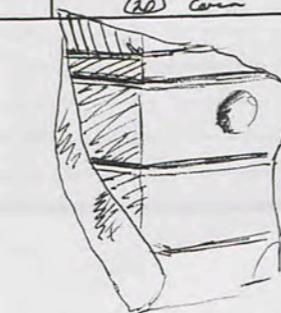
1mm Squares

Trench... 99/6..... Initials... J.B..... Date... 27/5/00..... Page....
Locus... 2..... Spit... 1..... Locus..... Spit..... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	1	2.1	
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw	18w14 2-5	1.3	
Photos col.	Level 5 21-22 Ht		

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
17	worned stone	2.1	
18	fig frag.	2.1	
19	beam weight	2.1	
20	coin	2.1	

Context	Report
2.1	Continuing closer west of wall A. The usual tumble, with the soil being fine and dark brown. Still unsure how the E/W wall in the south is looking.
1.3	At the same time (6:00-6:30) we are sweeping 1.3 back for a photo. It becomes very obvious now that the floor ab was directly above bedrock and basically filled dips and hollows to make a primary floor. There is/was quite obvious mudcrack visible on the lower courses.
2.1	Continuing down. Some large stones emerging. 17 worned stone - 70cm down 18 fig frag - 70cm down Still not quite ab sure what is happening with the E/W wall in the west. More digging is necessary. 19 beamweight - 75-80cm down 20 coin - 60cm



Trench.....99/6.....Initials.....T.B.....Date.....28/5/01.....Page....
 Locus.....2.....Spit..... Locus.....3.....Spit..... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	1	2.1	
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

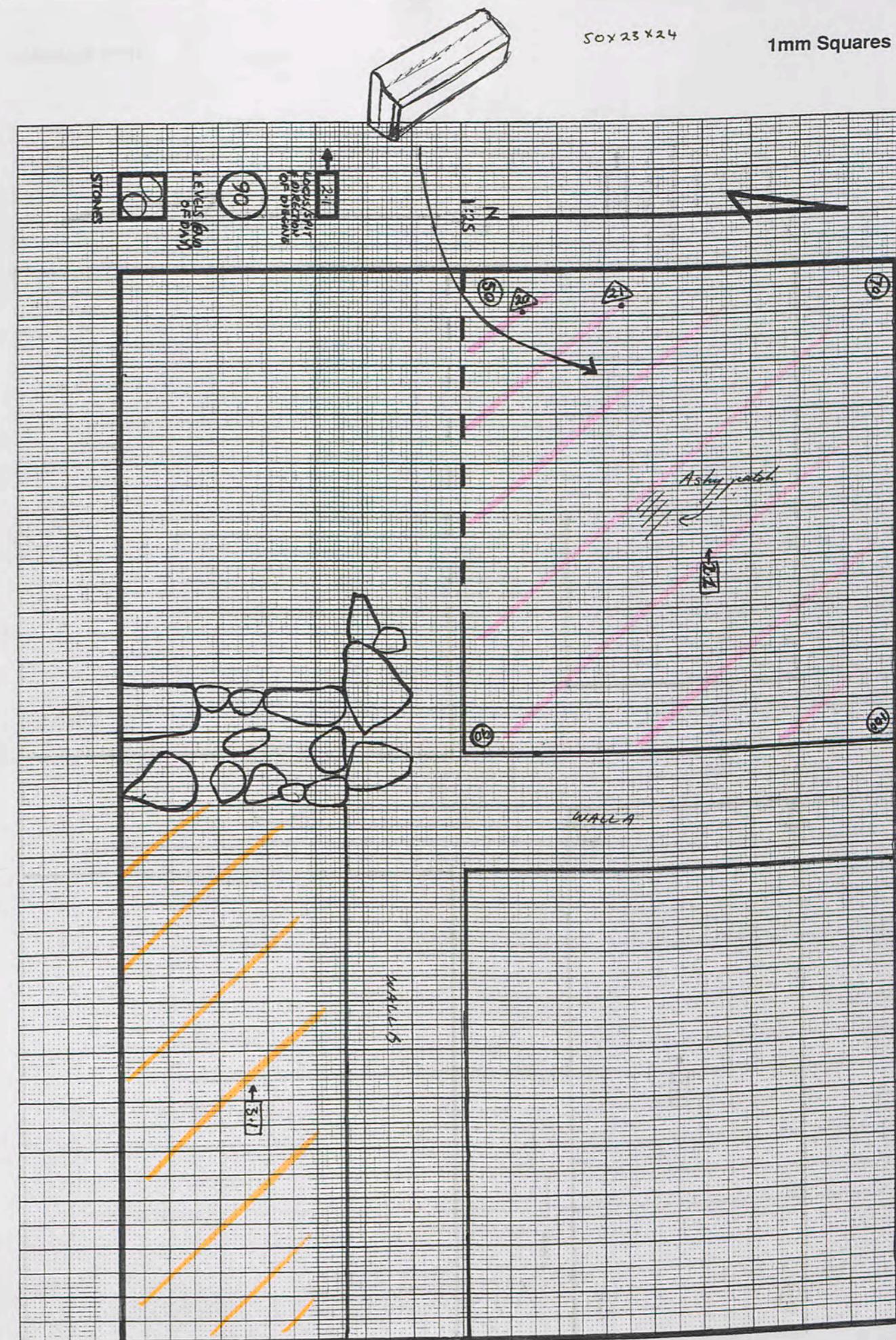
No.	Object	Cont	Cont
(21)	fig bag	2.1	
(22)	small metal rod	2.1	

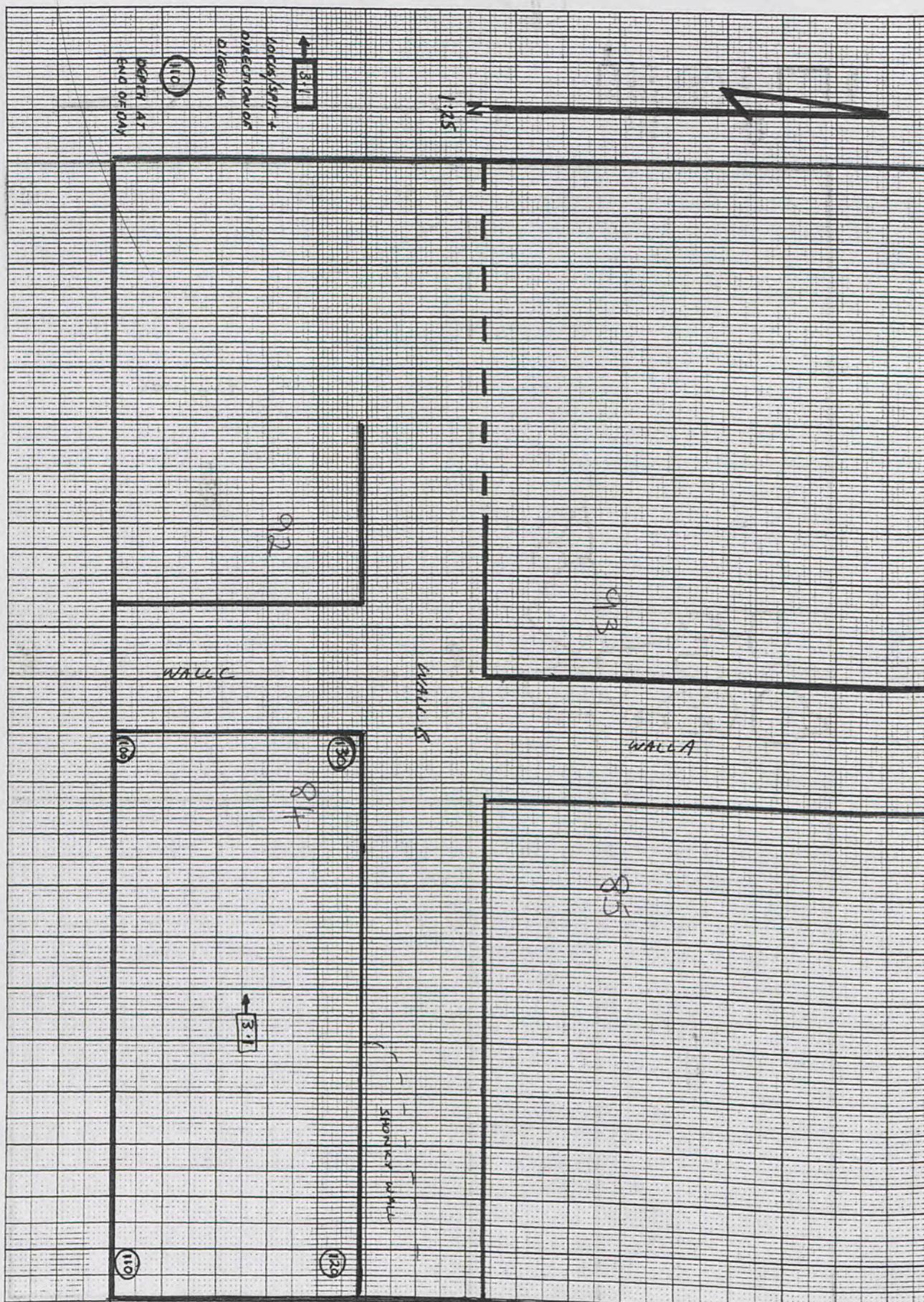
Context Report

2.1	Containing down. I think we may have found a floor now, but we shall see when its all cleared and swept up. (21) fig bag -> west, above floor (22) small metal rod -> as above 4 broken chunks of a large grinding surface (basalt) sitting on or near the surface.
	Whilst the workers are not convinced of a floor being here, I have asked them to stop and move south. This surface level seems to match up with the one west, in 99/9, and also to the possible one under the stone post holder in 1.2.
3.1	Working south of wall c, below.....1.3/12

50x23x24

1mm Squares





1mm Squares

Trench 99/6 Initials J.B. Date 29/5/01 Page....
Locus 3 Spit 1 Locus Spit Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	1	3.1	
Bone	1	3.1	
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
(13)	metal rod	3.1	

Context Report

3.1	Continuing down south of WALL B. (23) metal rod Still do usual tumble Soil fine light brown
10.00	Have decided to continue down for the day, then move west tomorrow to true wall & where it becomes stony. There is not much change here, so I figure there isn't much point in continuing, except to find a floor level with 99/5. keeping those pottery bags small!

1mm Squares

Trench.....99/6.....Initials.....J.B.....Date.....30/5/01.....Page.....
Locus.....4.....Spit.....1.....Locus.....Spit.....Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	1	4 . /	
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw	26-30	26-35	
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
(24)	thin metal rod	4.1	
(25)	bead	4.1	
(26)	bead	1.3	
(27)	metal/wire odds	4.1	

Context Report

4.1 Going down in the west, south of shanty wall B.

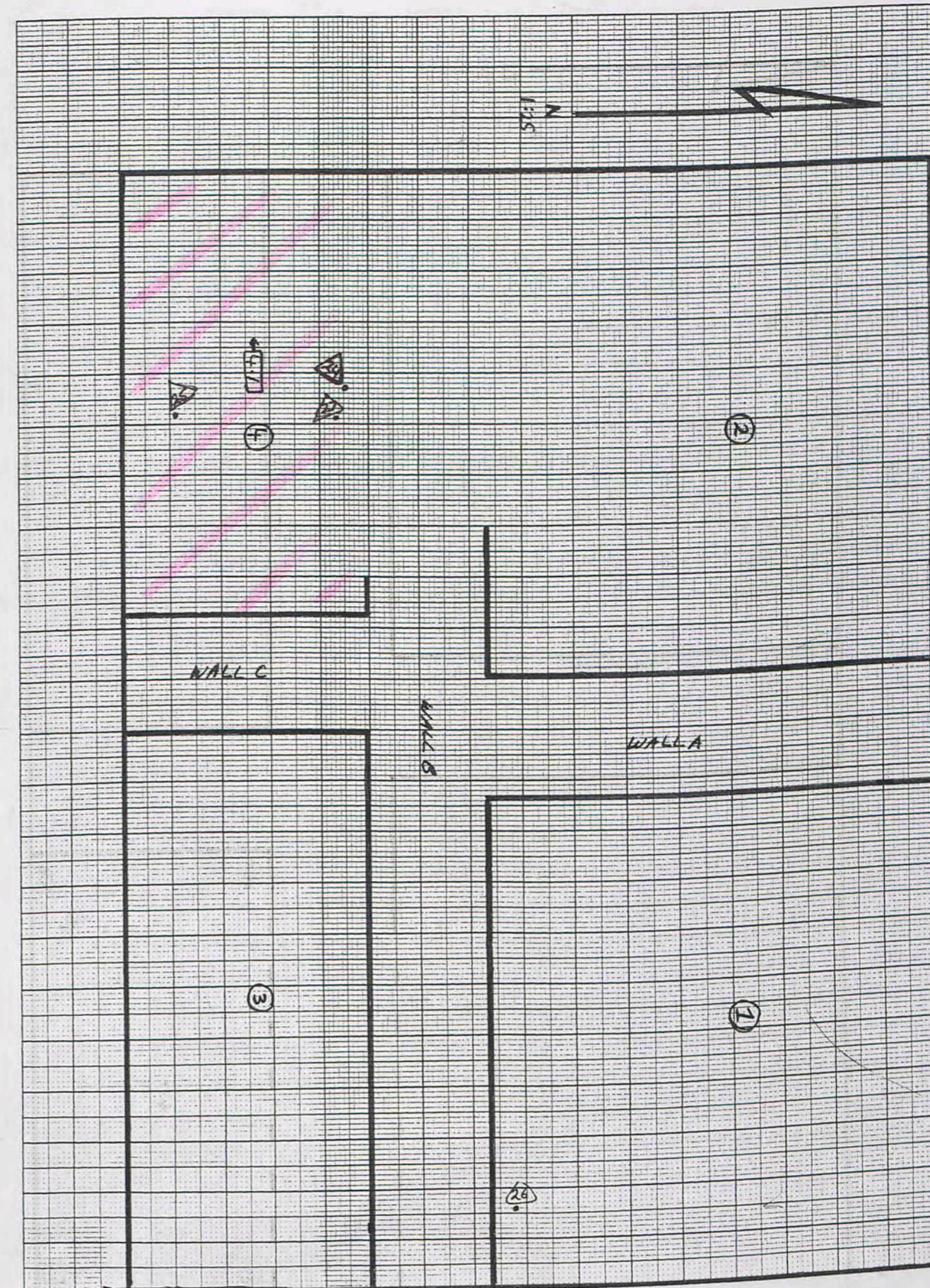
(24) metal rod -80cm down

(25) bead

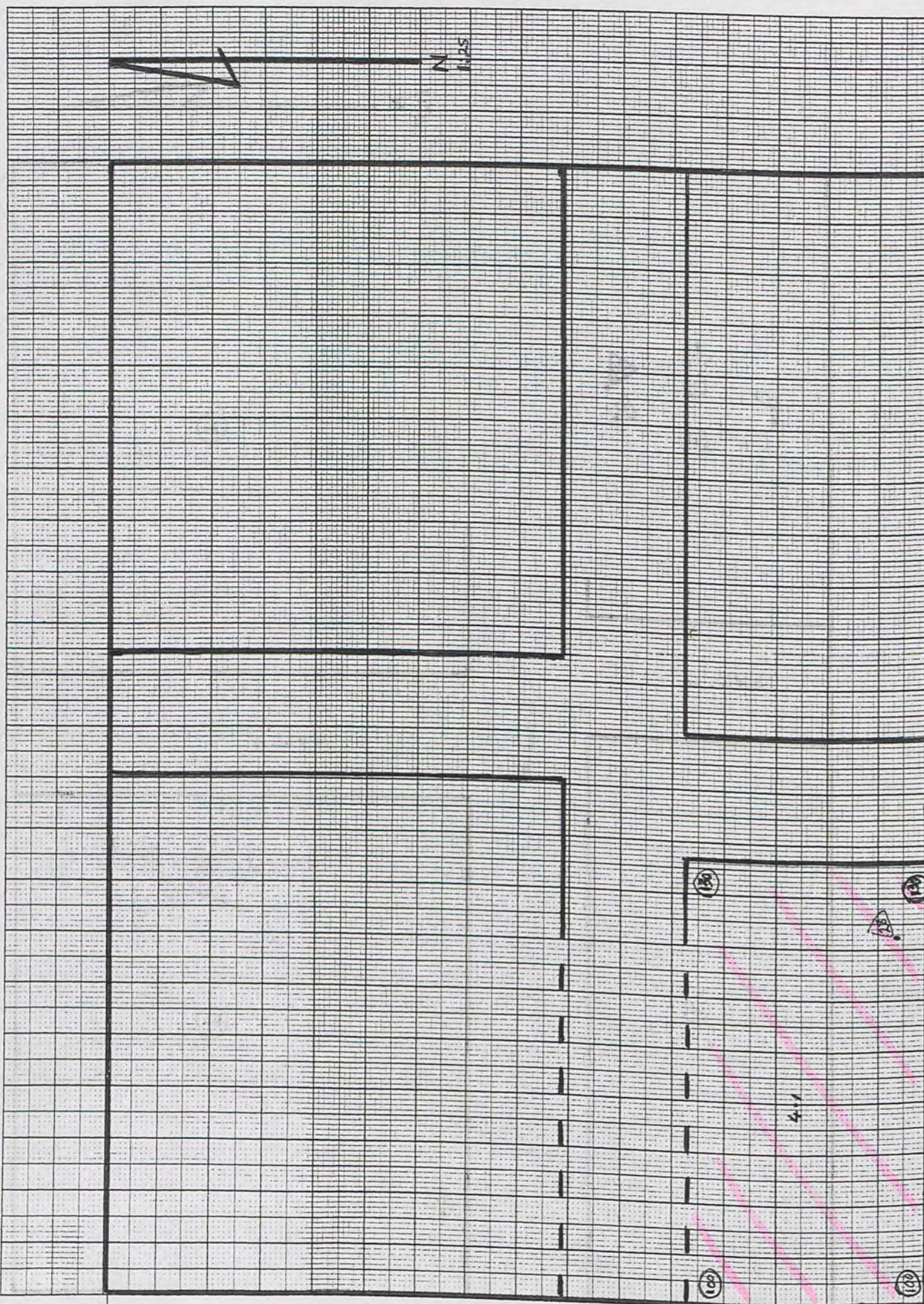
Are going back and sweeping north of wall B in order to wrap things up for tomorrow. (quarter 1 & 2)

(26) found a small bead whilst sweeping

4.1 (27) Iron blobs -80cm down



1mm Squares



Trench.....99/6.....Initials.....J.B.....Date.....31/5/01 Page....
Locus.....Spit..... Locus.....Spit..... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	1	4.1	
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

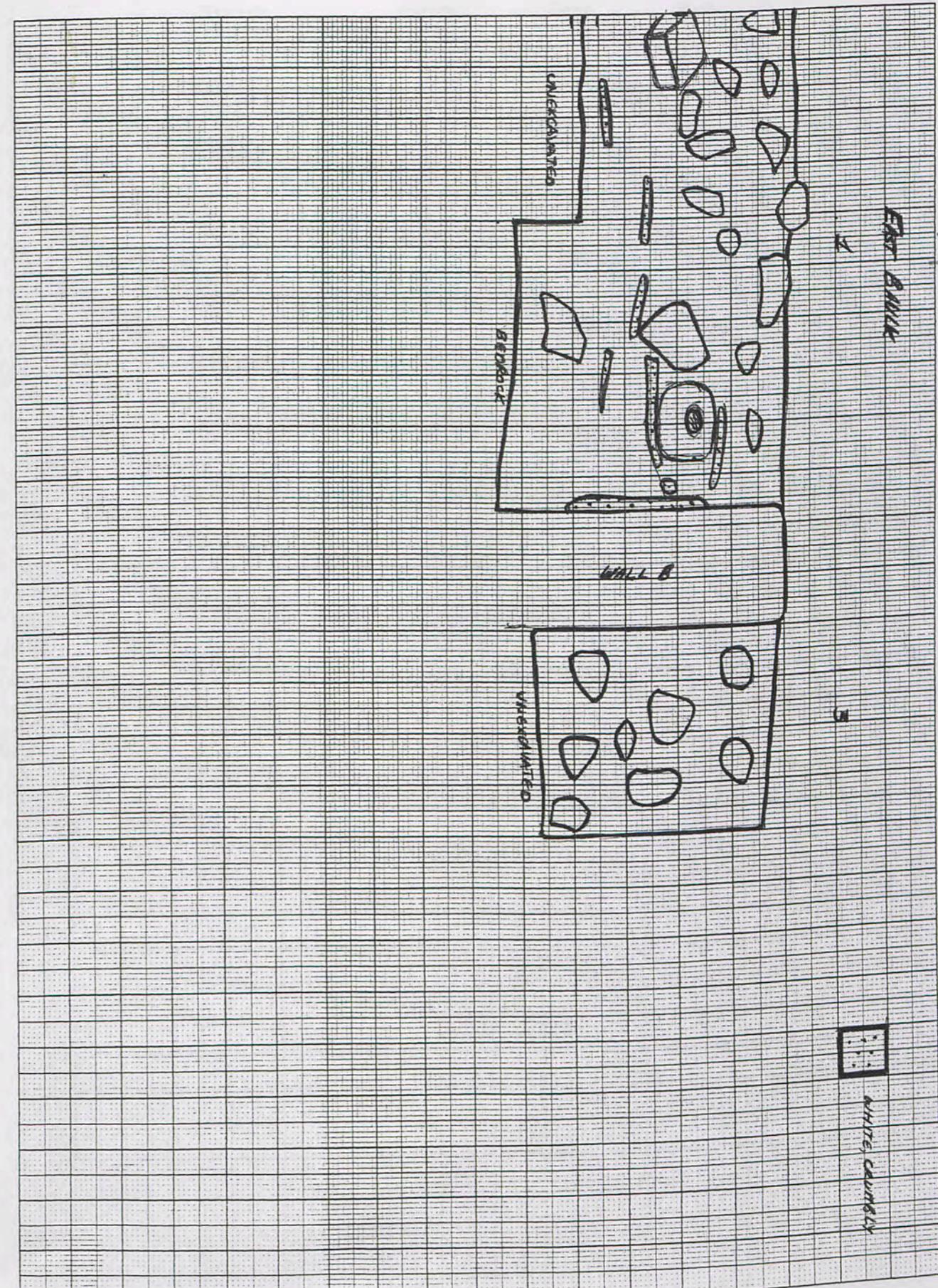
Context	Report
4.1	(28) Corin → just above the floor (?) @ 130cm
	The west end of wall B is very shonky, to the extent that I am wondering whether there was a door here at any stage, although the saturation is similar with the wall in 99/9.

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.			

Context Report



Trench Context Record

Trench.....99/6.....Initials...J.B.....Date started....22/5/01 Date finished....31/5/01

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Trench 8384515 Initials: J.S. Date started 23/4/01 Date finished 30/4/01
French Context Record

Context	Location (below, beside, on)	Structure (tumble, fill, floor, wall, pit, oven)	Soil colour	Soil texture	Depth	Thickness	Page/ S
1.1	Baulk	tumble					
1.2	Below 1.1	tumble + wall/a					
1.3	Below 1.2	tumble, wall + at/bt floor level					
2.1	Below 1.3, north	9x large dressed stones					
3.1	Beside/below 2.1 (south)	door threshold/wall/bright red/orange crushed fill					
4.1	Beside 3.1 (north)						
4.2	Below 4.1	wall b + heath + drain + bedrock					
3.2	Below 3.1	bedrock					
5.1	Beside/below 3.1 (east)						
5.2	Below 5.1	2x floors + fill + bedrock					

Trench Context Record

Trench B.44.15/3-15/1 initials. T.B. Date started 29/4/01. Date finished 1/5/01.

Context	Location (below, beside, on)	Structure (tumble, fill, floor, wall, pit, oven)	Soil colour	Soil texture	Depth	Thickness	Page/S
1.1	Bowl/k	tumble + door a+b			60cm		
1.2	Below 1.1	floor + 2x thresholds	orange-brown	fine	120-150cm		

Trench Context Record

Trench.....99/8.....Initials: J.B......Date started.....15/5/01.....Date finished.....31/5/01.....

Trench Context Record

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BAULK 151/1-151/4

The aim here was to clear a doorway in the north-south baulk and to clarify a north-south wall, also in the baulk. Two separate floors were excavated in 151/1 and we needed to see which of these were associated with the doorway.

West of the north-south wall (Wall A) was a drain from the Rock-cut Basin, which went under the wall and was expected to emerge from its east side. A second aim was to determine how far the drain went to the east.

We removed several large, shaped stones abutting Wall A which were sitting quite high above the upper 'floor' in Room 151/1. A lower, wall-like feature abutting Wall A in the east and running east-west appeared before the threshold of the doorway had been reached.

The feature (Wall B) was a single course of stones sitting on bedrock running parallel to the drain with the top level with the threshold of the door. A rough hearth had been created where its west end abutted Wall A. The drain continued in bedrock to the eastern edges of the trench and looks to continue in that direction, whilst Wall B extended only 250 cm in the same direction.

The stratigraphy in 151/1 showed a surface directly above bedrock, probably associated with Wall A and B as well as the door, although the latter is higher than Wall B. Above this, a later fill of ~20 cm of crushed limestone for a plaster level covered with soil and an ashy layer (the lower floor). Even later, more fill and tumble, then the original excavated level, or 'upper' floor.

100/8

A storage room, the primary floor of which was covered in ceramic pots.

It seems to have been a single occupation, there being no other surfaces above this level. We cleared the baulk between 100/8 and 100/5 in order to uncover the entire floor of this room and to collaborate the number of vessels here. At the bottom of this clearing, a short, single-coursed wall appeared running north-south with a rough hearth where it abutted Wall B. A small lamp fragment was found in this blackened area, as well as a small basalt bowl in the soil above it.

A cross-section of walls. The four rooms it creates probably had two periods of occupation, shown by two separate floors in 1 and 2. The two floors were particularly clear in 1, where a post-hole above a thick layer of plaster can be seen in the eastern stratigraphy. A large, shaped stone can also be seen on the same side. The floor itself was quite damaged, however, and was inadvertently dug through.

Whilst quite defined around the centre, the east-west wall becomes quite shabby in the east and west of the trench, although still quite visible in the east.

A small piece of red plaster came from 1 and traces of what looks like adobe on the lower courses of the west wall.

BAULK 151/3-151/6

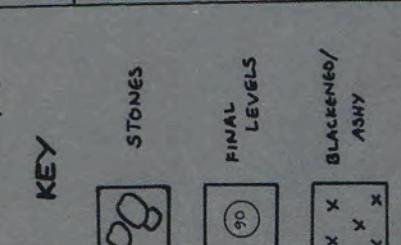
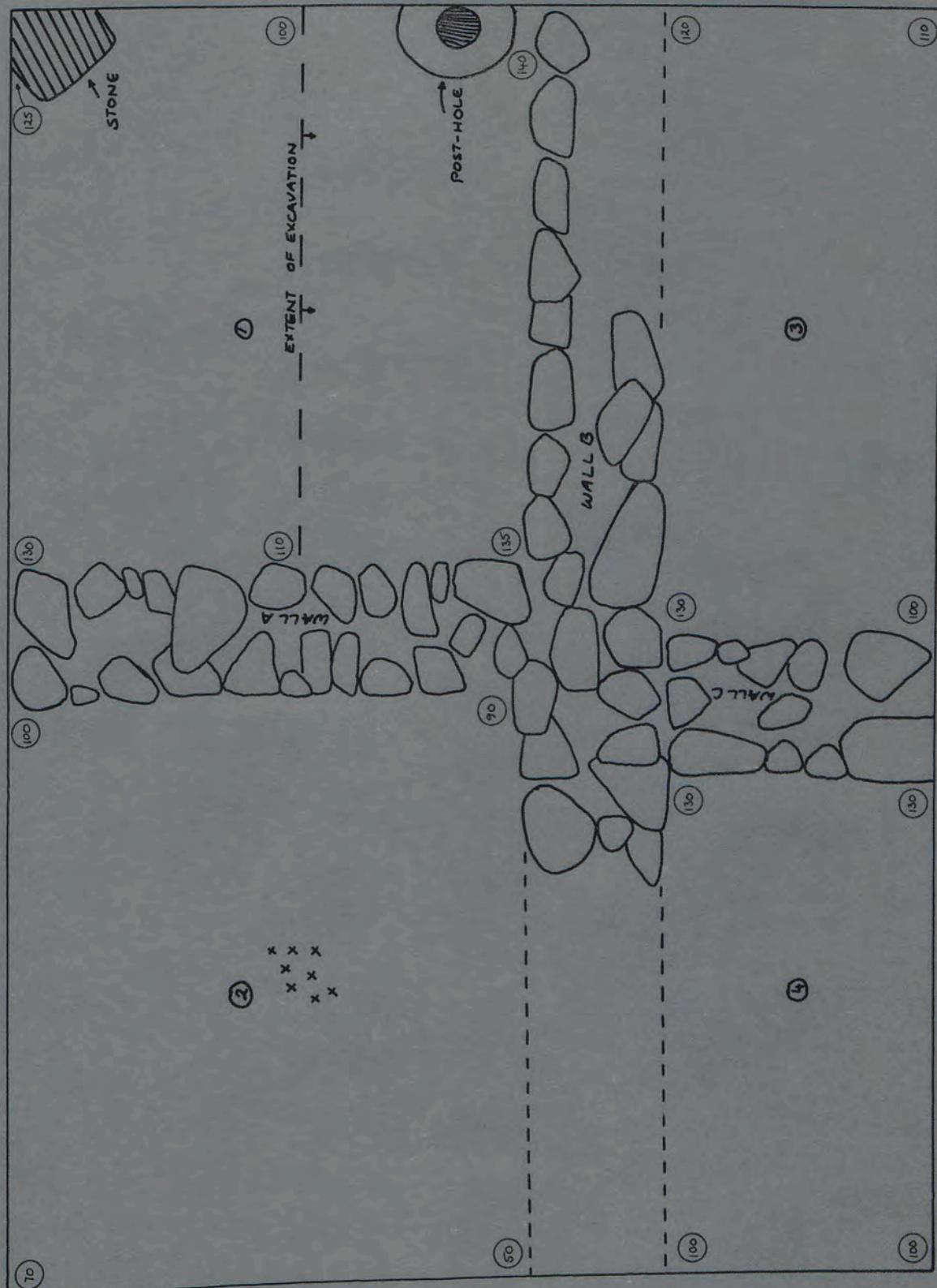
The aim was to find a door into Room 125/1 in the north. This doorway (A), in addition to one already found in the west (B), makes the area parallel to 150/3 on the other side of the Insula.

99/8

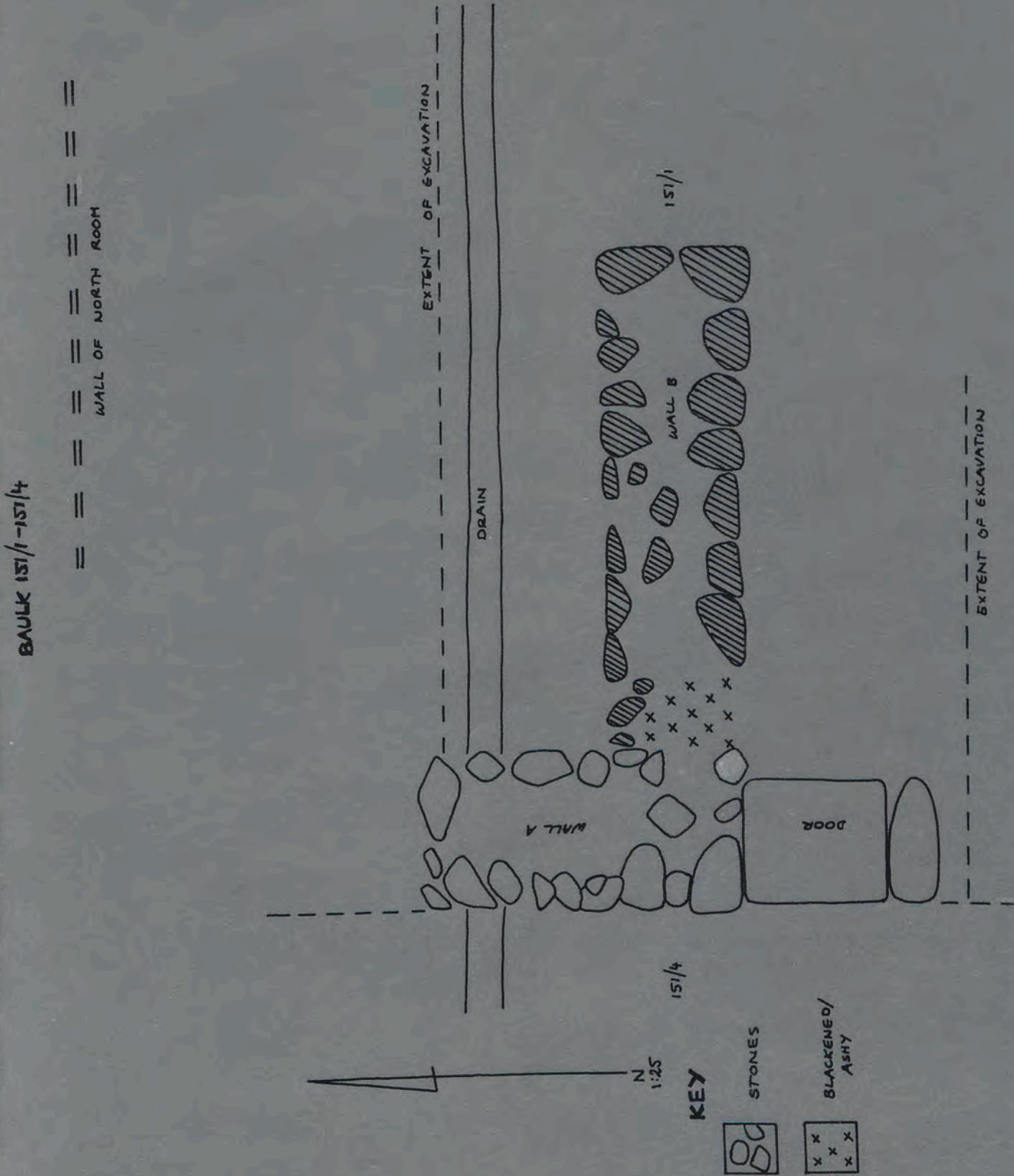
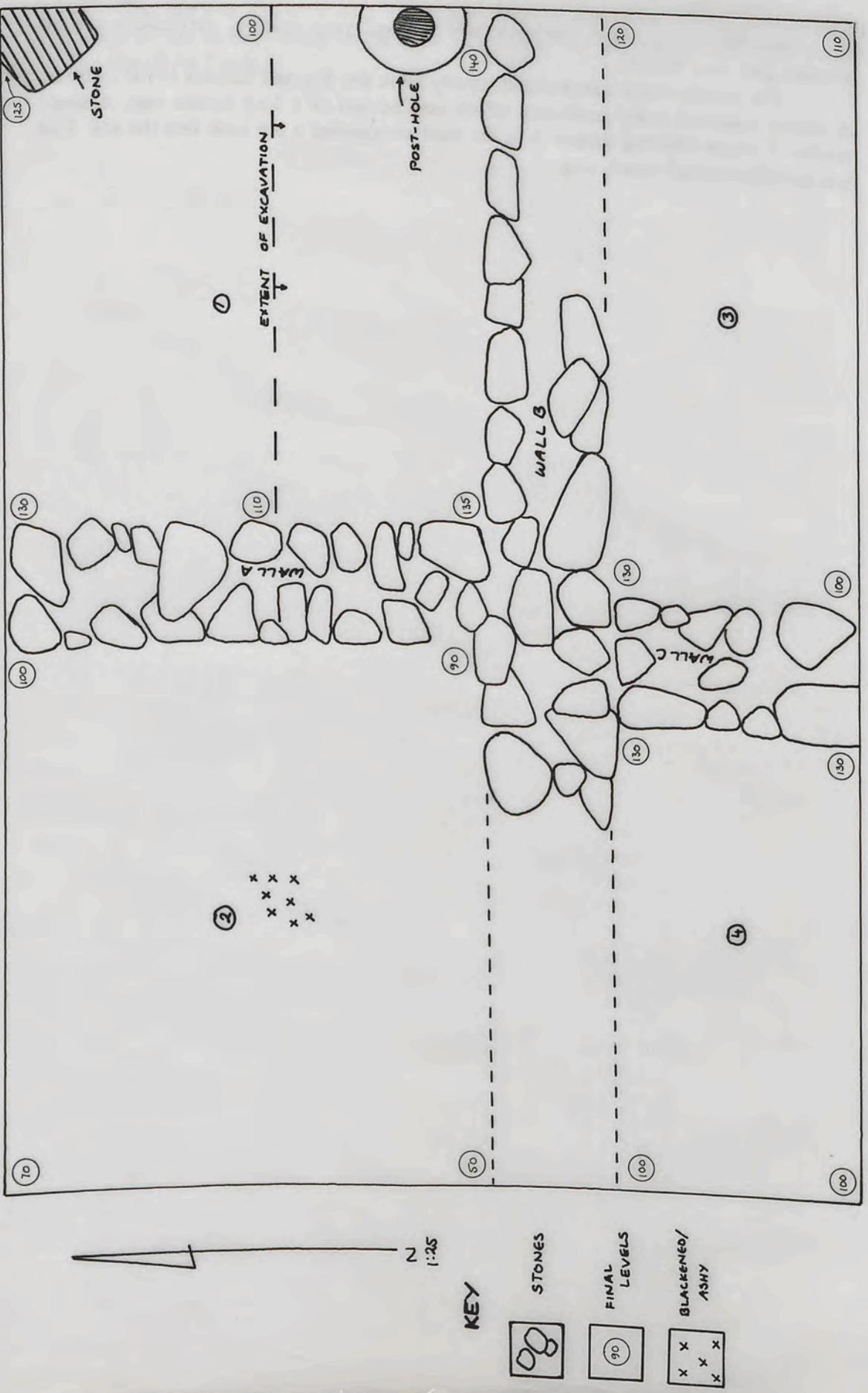
Possibly a courtyard. Bedrock was reached very quickly, particularly on the western side, near Wall A.

The primary floor was probably simply fill in the dips and hollows of the bedrock. A feature appeared in the south-east which may be part of a door further east. A single course of stones abutting feature A in the west surrounded a pot sunk into the soil. This was possibly a rough hearth area.

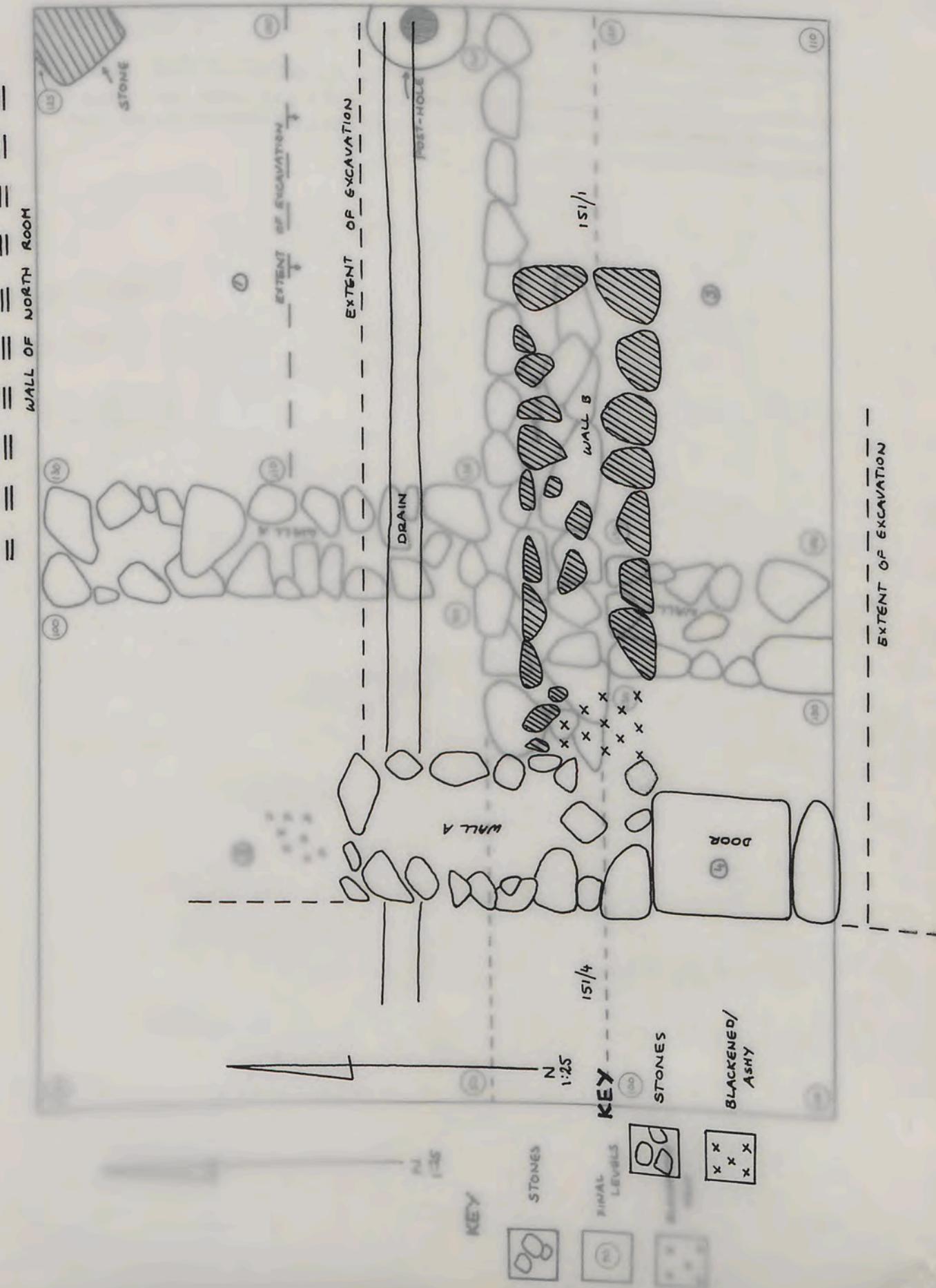
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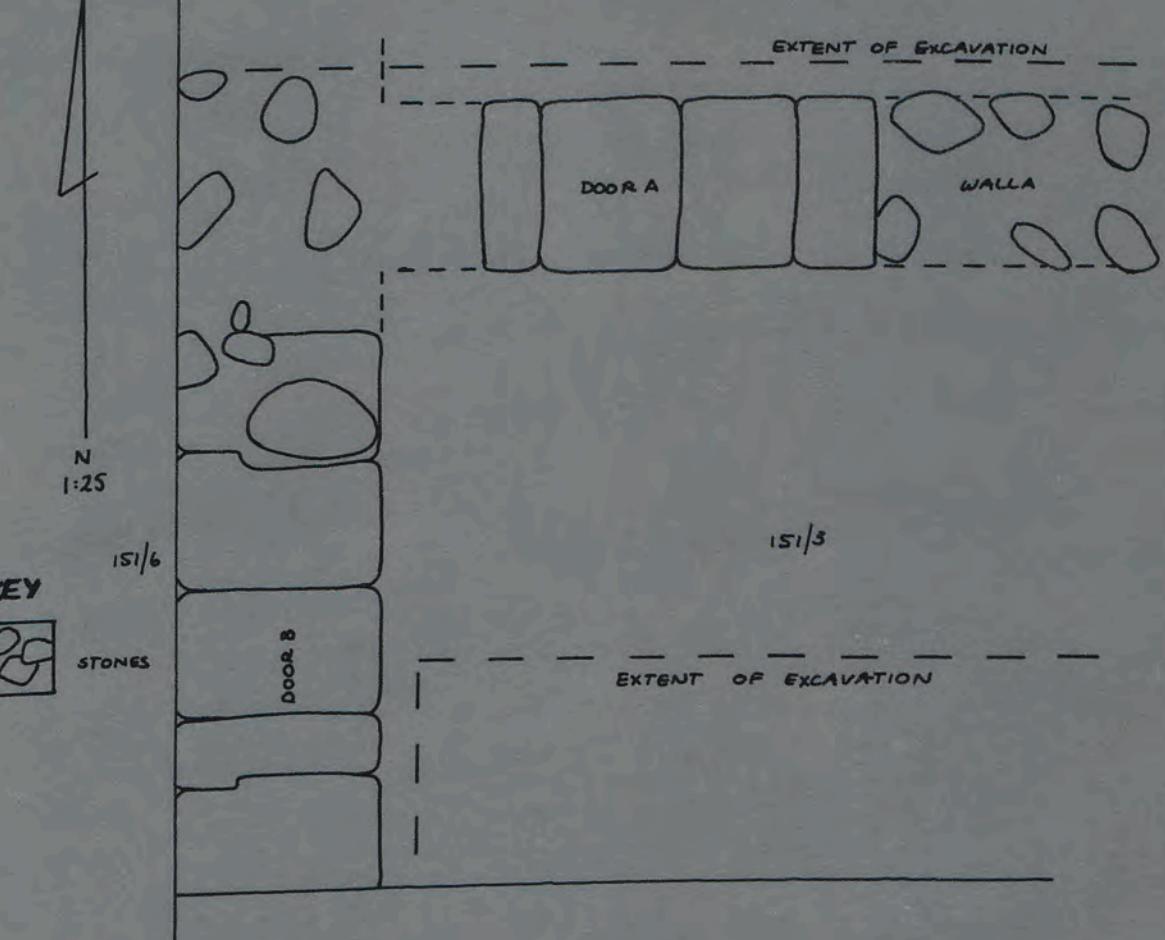
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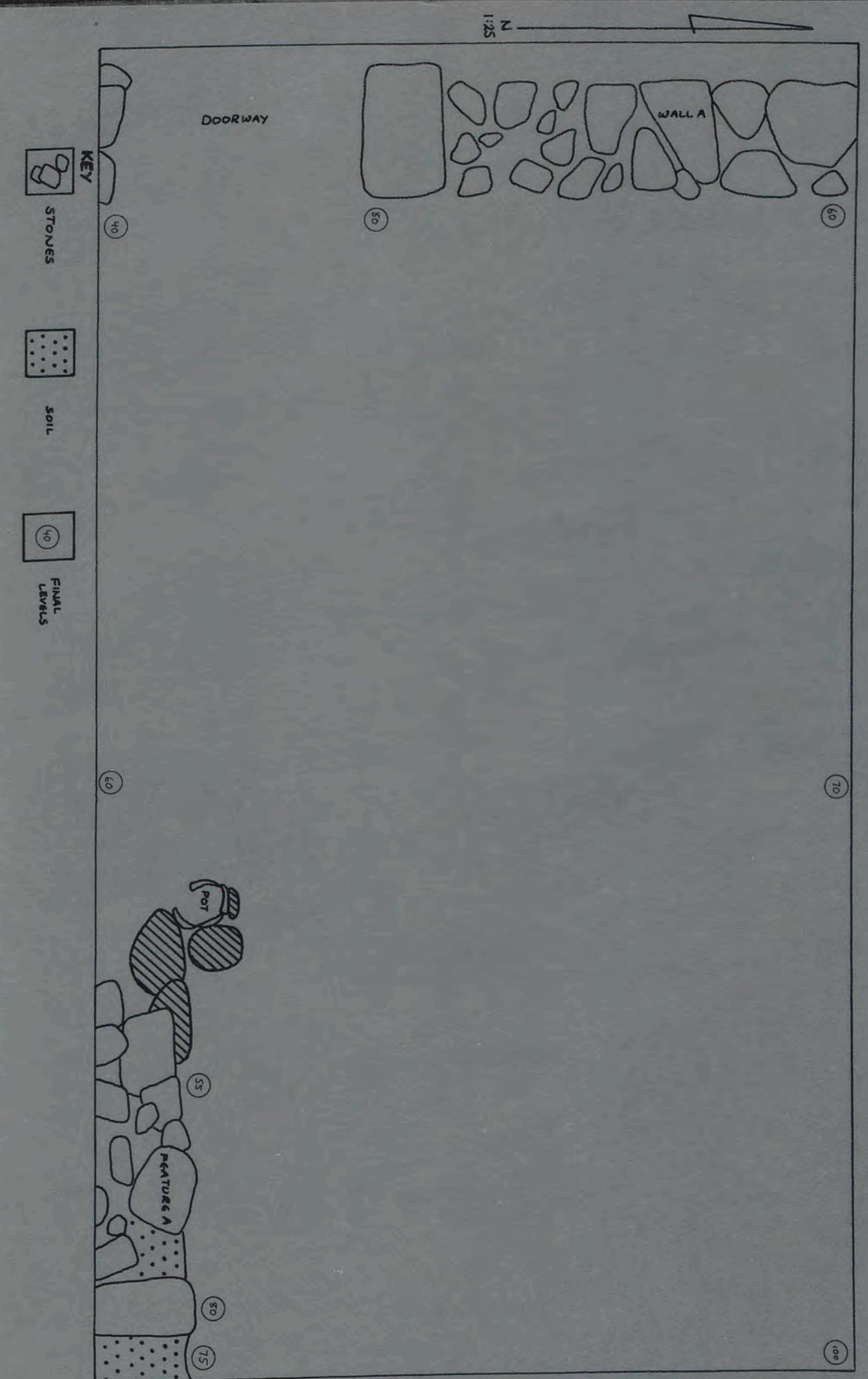
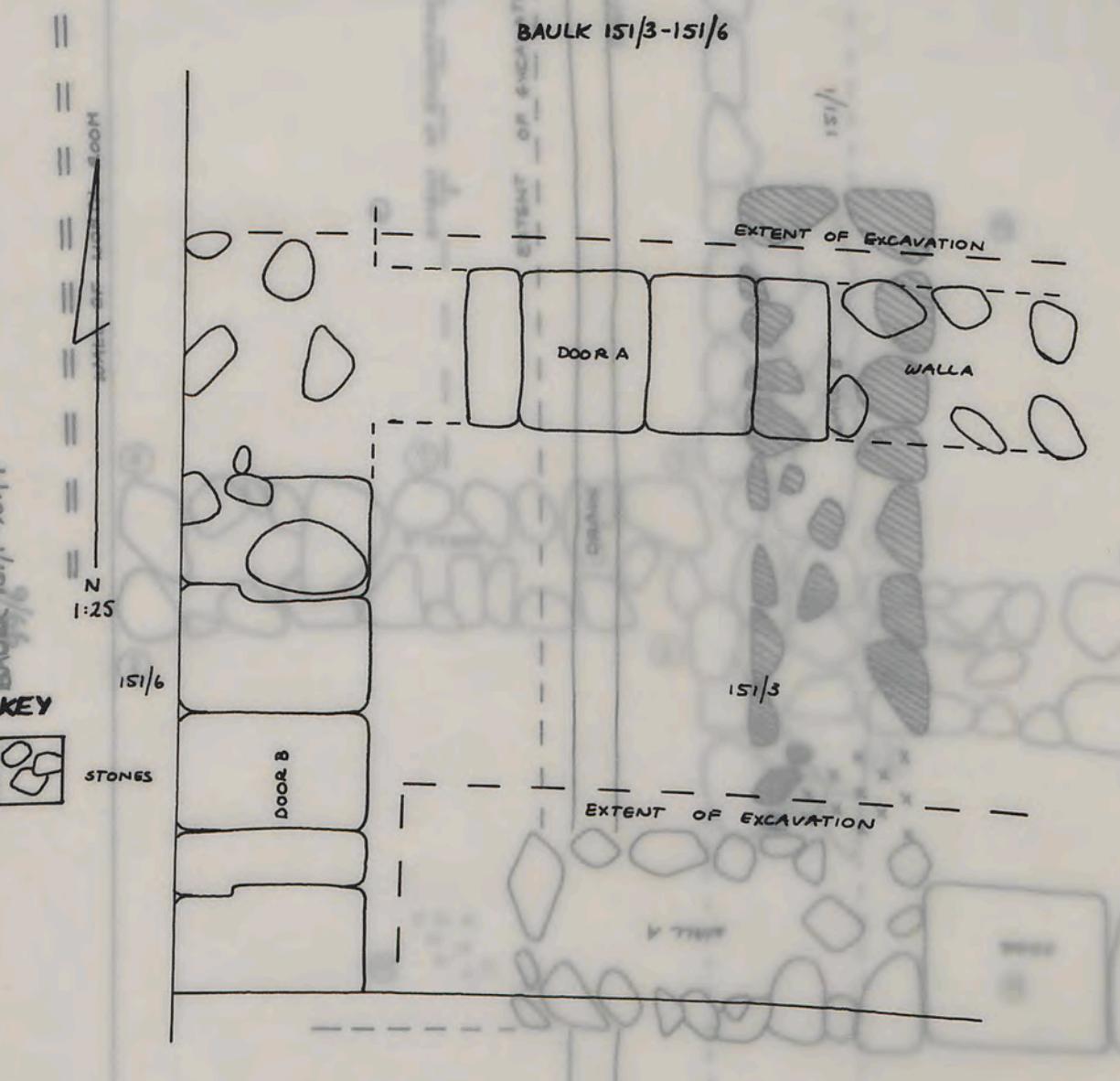
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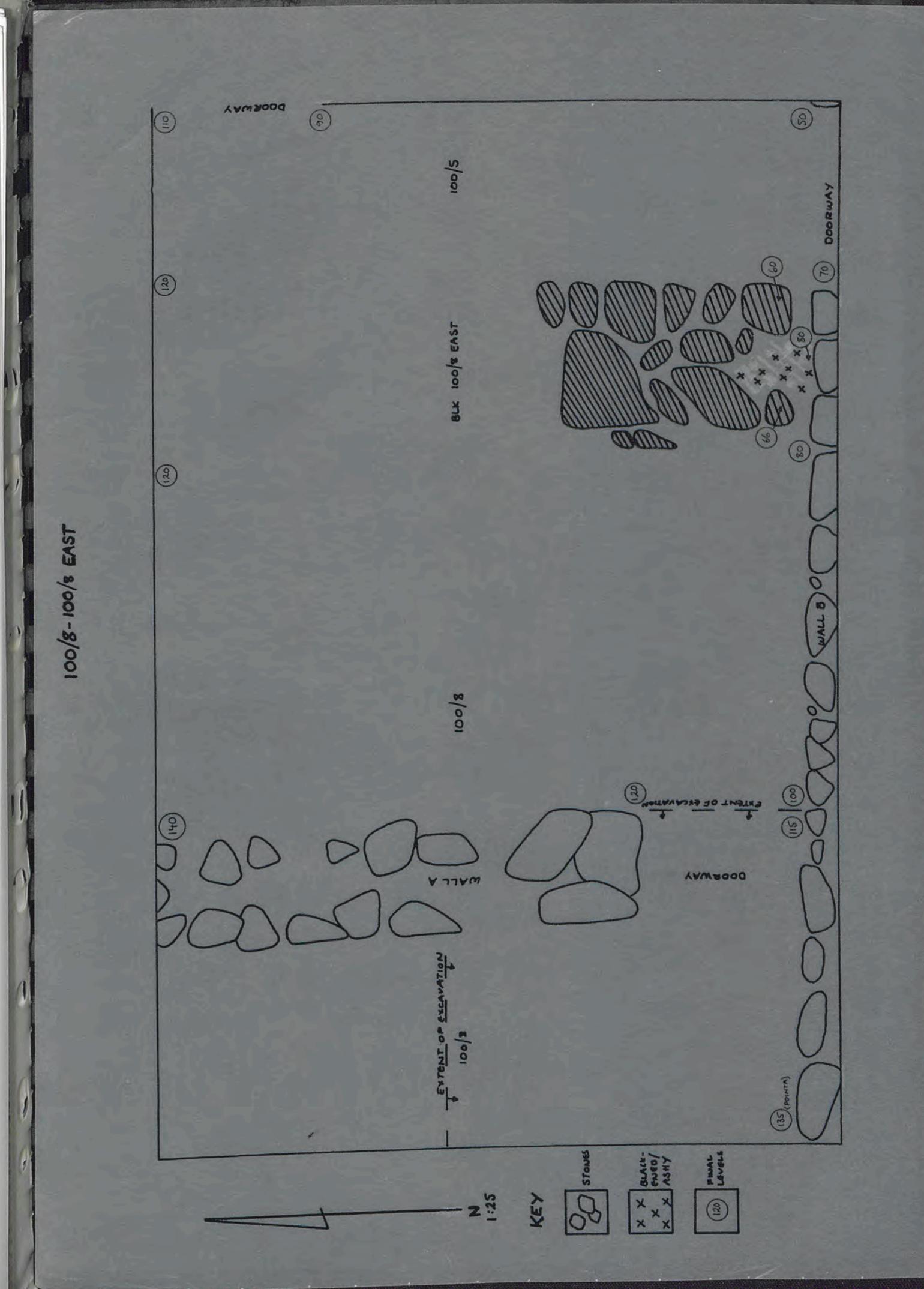
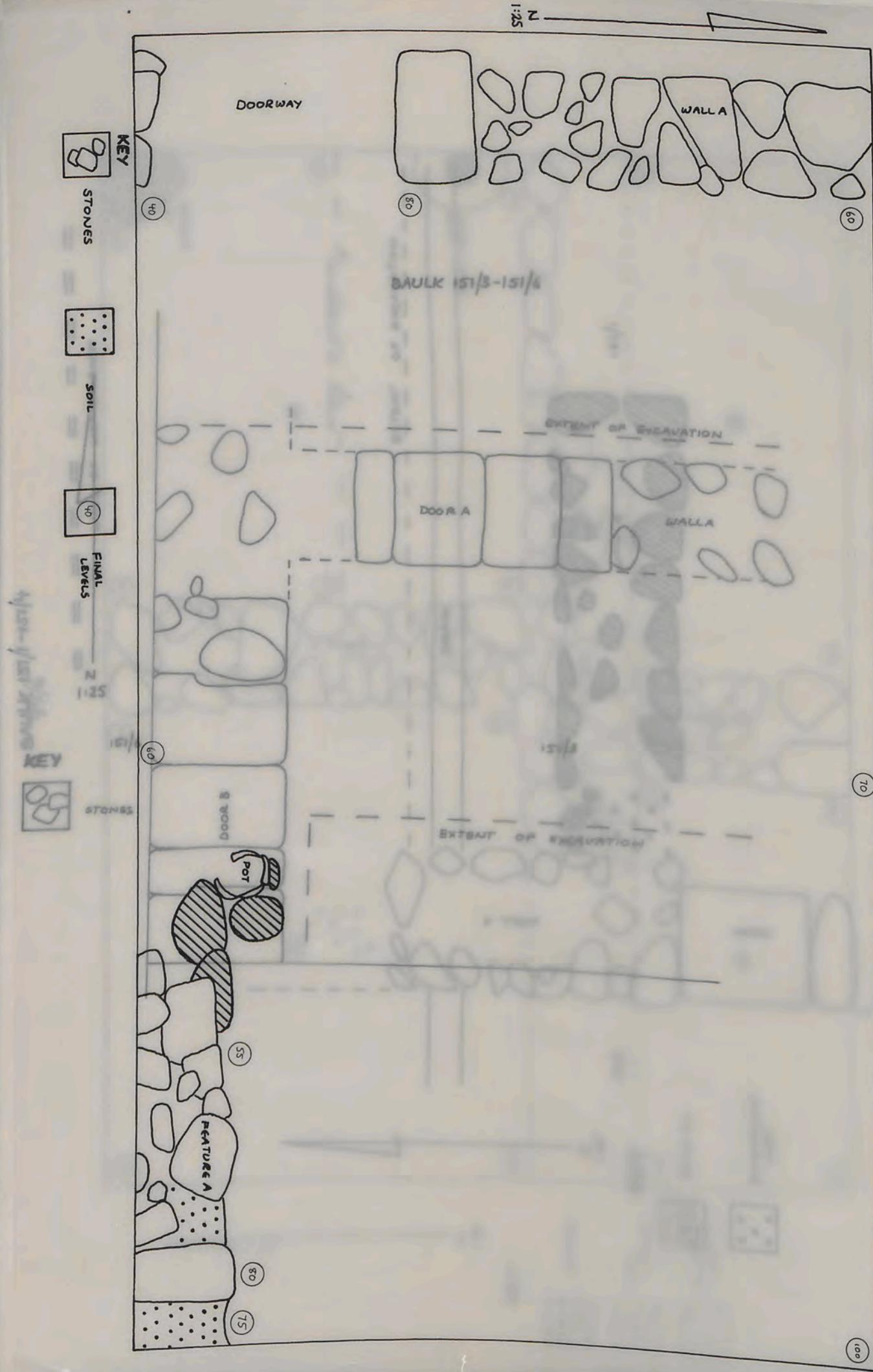


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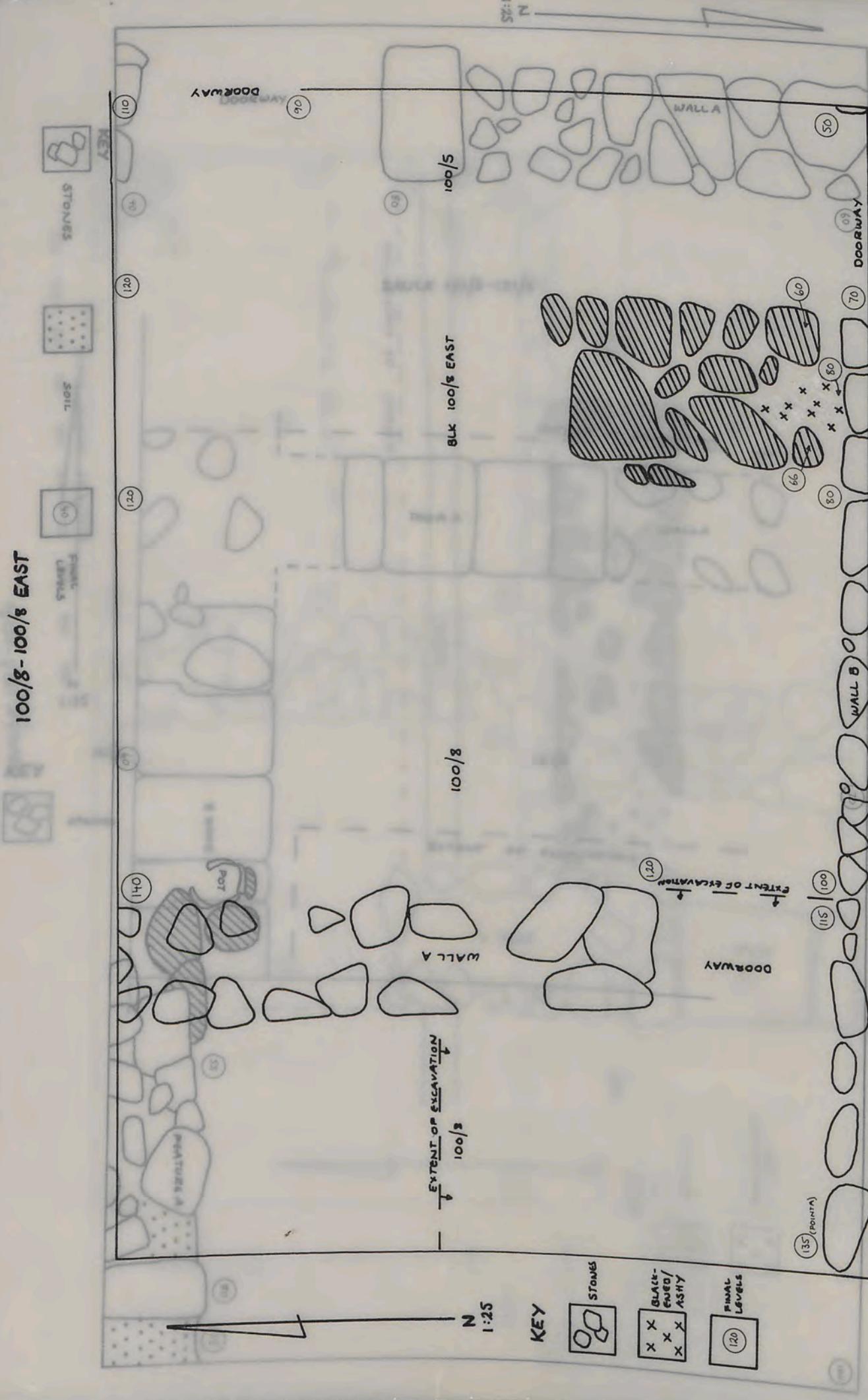


BAULK 151/4 - 151/6





100/8 - 100/8 EAST



8/66

