

Jebel Khalid 2000~~0~~2

Field Record Book

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Name.....	<i>Gara Boulet</i>				
Trenches.....	<i>123/1</i>	<i>75/5</i>	<i>75/6</i>		
	<i>BLK 75/5-75/6</i>	<i>58/7</i>	<i>74/3 E haul</i>	<i>57/2</i>	<i>125/5 WEST</i>
Dates.....	<i>100/5 SONDAGE 100/2 SONDAGE</i>				

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

Segoof → roof
Fethir → silver
Said → happy

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.

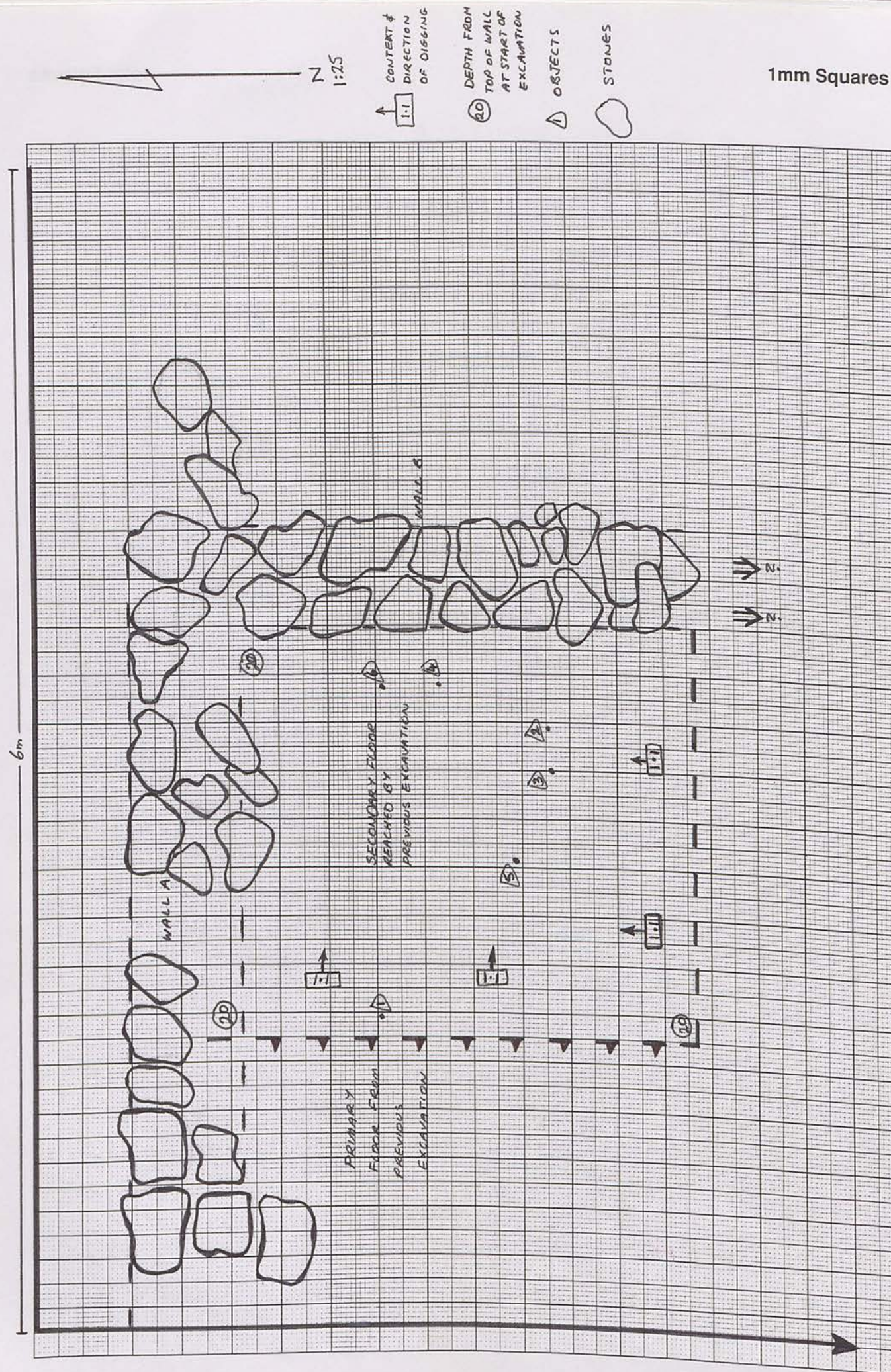
9. **Bone**: Collect all bone and label as for pottery. Record number of bags per context daily.

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.



Trench.....123/1.....Initials.....J.B.....Date 17/4/02 Page 1..

Locus.....1.....Spit..... Locus..... Spit..... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	3	1-1	
Bone	1	1-1	
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)	1x plaster	1-1	02-073
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
1	Lamp frag	1-1	02-010
2	Nail	1-1	02-012
3	Lamp frag	1-1	02-218
4	Shell	1-1	
5	glass	1-1	02-011
6	2x Lamp frags	1-1	02-075

Context Report

1-1	The aim is to determine whether 2 walls (A & B) running N/S & E/W are primary or secondary. Excavating an old trench which had been begun, but not finished. Working on clearing the N/E corner of the walls and moving S & E from here. Taking a ~40cm spit out from the top of where it was previously excavated in order to level it with the W half of the trench.
1	Lamp base frag + spout ~20cm down from secondary floor
2	nail ~40cm down
3	2x Lamp frags ~40cm down
	Soil grey brown with many smallish stones. No more large tumble as such, so it must have all fallen on the secondary floor.
4	shell ~30cm down from secondary floor
5	glass ~40cm down
	As the spit goes further down, the stones associated with the secondary floor (packing?) are getting a bit bigger and the soil is becoming coarser and more orange, indicating that bedrock is near.

Context 1-1 Pottery → 4 EB 2 AM TOES
Bag 2 4 OB
For eq. 2 PSB 1 BGW B Sherd
1 C. pot
2 JARS

Bag 1 → 12 EB 1 FGIB 1 Am stand + 1 AM TOE
For eq. 3 OS 6 JAR 1 OB
1 FRB 2 C pot 1 ung

Trench.....Initials.....Date..... Page 2..

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

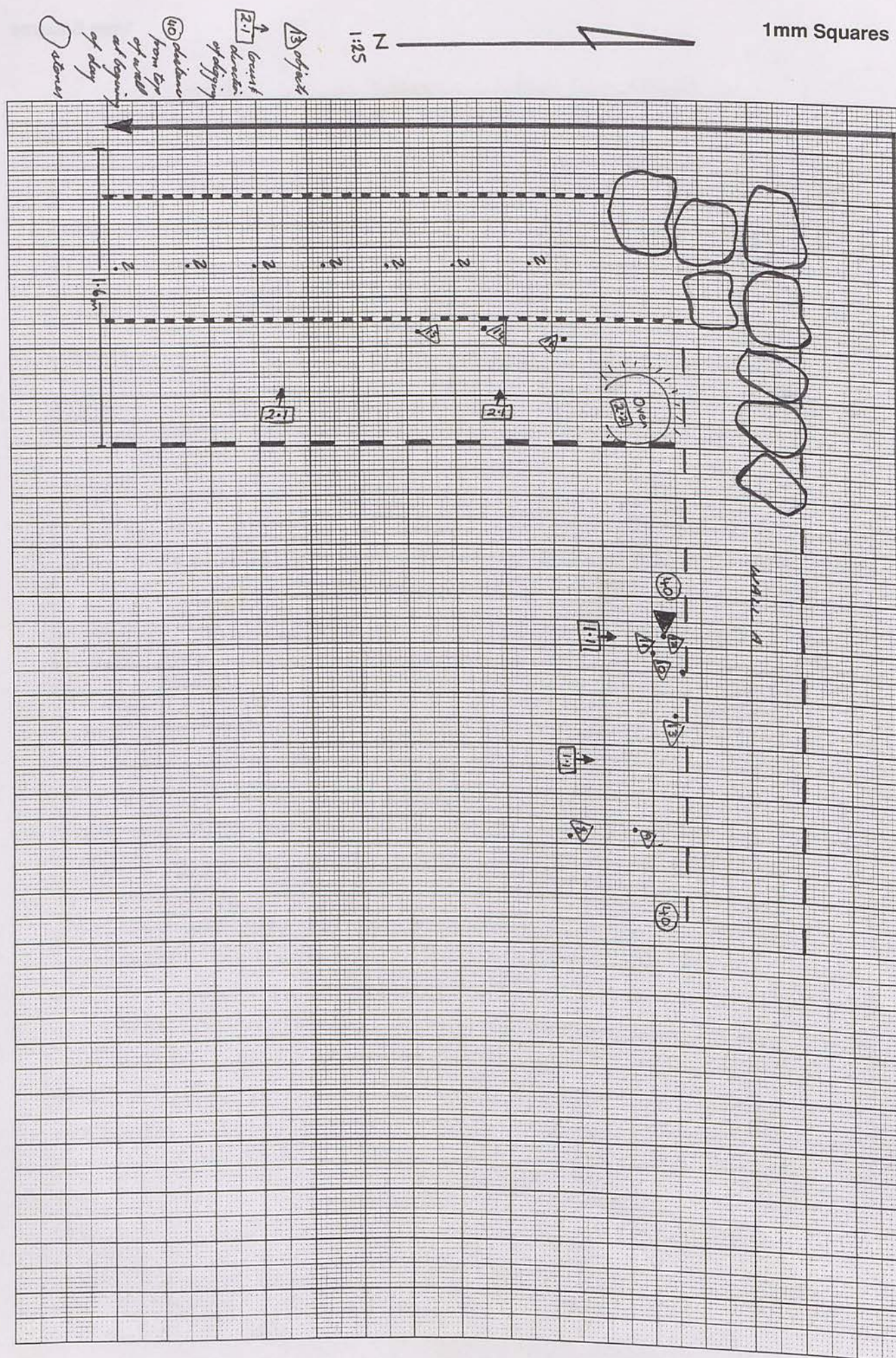
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Context

Report

(C) lamp frags - 20 cm down from secondary floor
As the spit is quite deep, one can really see
the difference between the top soil (ashy,
dk gray) and lower (orange, coarser).

1mm Squares



Trench.....123/.....Initials.....J. S.....Date.....15/4/02 Page 3
Locus.....1.....Spit..... Locus..... Spit..... Feature/s.....

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

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
⑦	nail	1-1	02-062
⑧	nail	1-1	02-064
⑨	fig frags	1-1	02-067
⑩	cache of river stones	1-1	
⑪	pierced (?) stone	1-1	02-066
⑫	coin	1-1	02-063
⑬	metal bangle frag. copper	1-1	02-037

Context Report

1-1	Continuing on from yesterday, working in a N/E direction to define the N & E wall (a & b), and to establish primary/secondary walls and floors
	Final analysis of NE section: Walls a & b are both secondary, and run over a secondary floor. There is only 1 course left in either direction.
	⑦ nail ~30cm down
	⑧ nail ~30cm down
	As the E/W wall was reached (wall A) came across a large cache of river stones (4 bags) abutting the wall and particularly tucked into a hole in the wall created by a gap in the stones.
	⑨ fig frags ~40cm down
	⑩ cache of river stones → 4 bags ~30cm down
	⑪ pierced stone ~30cm down
	⑫ coin - on primary floor, near E/W wall
	Workers didn't want to mess with wall A too much, because it was quite messy under the secondary wall floor.
	⑬ metal bangle thing on stone ~30cm down E/W wall ↳ copper.

Loc 123/1
15/4/02
50/28

Trench...123/1.....Initials...J.B.....Date 15/4/02 Page 4.
 Locus...2...Spit.1..... Locus...2...Spit.2... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	11	2.1	2.2
Bone			
Charcoal	Soil sample 2.2 Over soil sample		
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw	bw 1 23-24		
Photos col.	4.1 Held 122-21		

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
14	fig frag	2.1	02.002
15	big blob of slag	2.1	02.025
16	lamp frag	2.1	02.001

+ 1 Persian red frag found in pottery #02.208 123/1 2.1

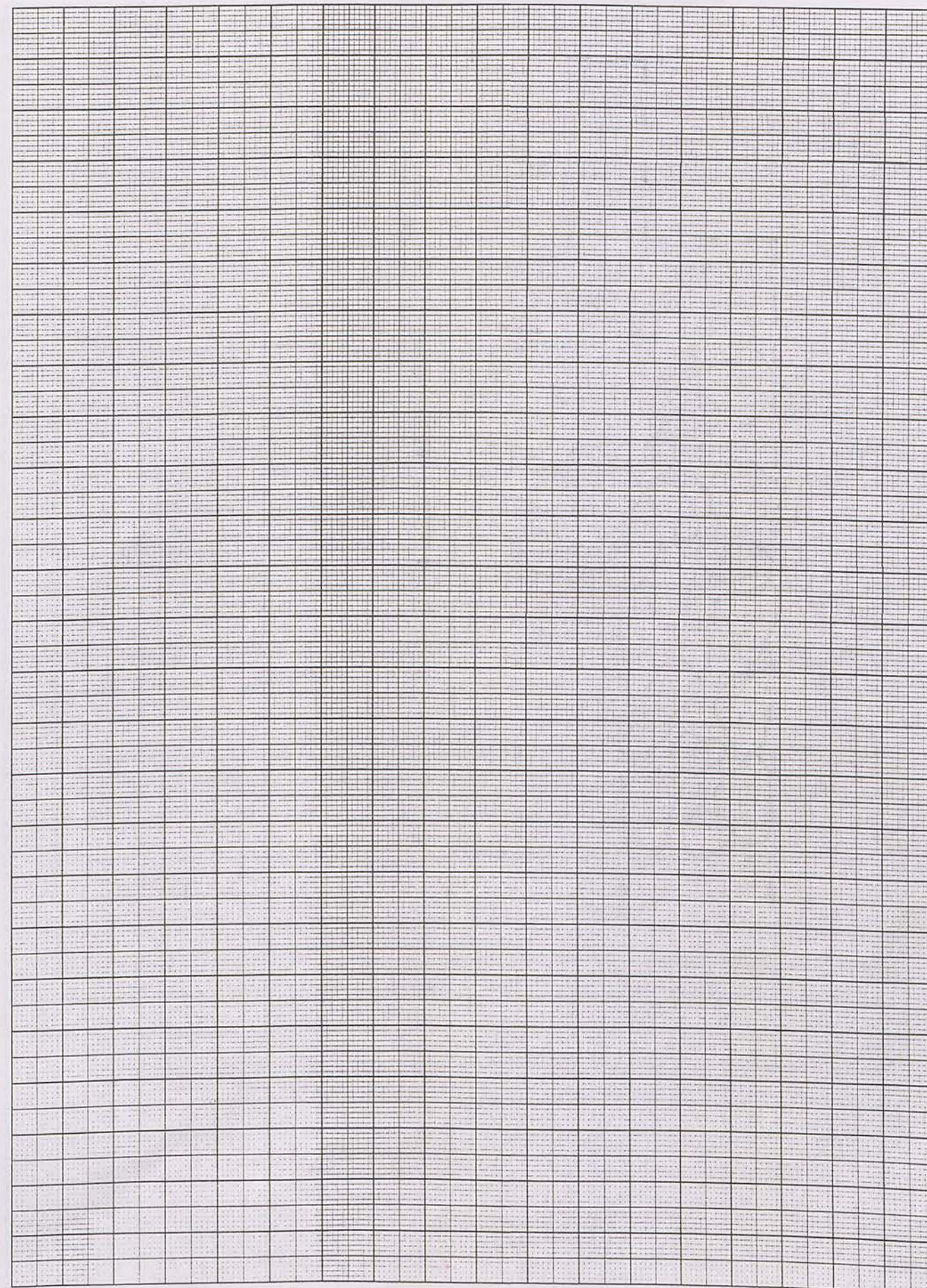
Context	Report
2.1	Cutting through primary floor in a W direction in order to determine what has happened to the W perimeter wall
	14 fig frag on primary floor
	Continuing down until we find something resembling a wall, but we are getting alarmingly close to what looks like bedrock with no luck so far.
	There is no wall left in this section, although I do not know how long it has been gone. Bedrock is surprisingly uneven here.
	15 big blob of metal slag ~30cm down
	16 lamp frag ~30cm down
	Cooking area found abutting E/W wall in the north and resting on the primary floor.
	Will wait until weather improves before excavating
18/4/02	Cleared and swept to bedrock - soil samples taken from over

2.2 Over material, pottery & soil samples - NB: more soil samples taken 8/5/02

Context 2.1 pottery -> 503
 bag 1 8 EB 1 KRATER
 for eg 3 cpot 1 am toe
 1 bottle 1 ung
 1 Frb
 6 JARS

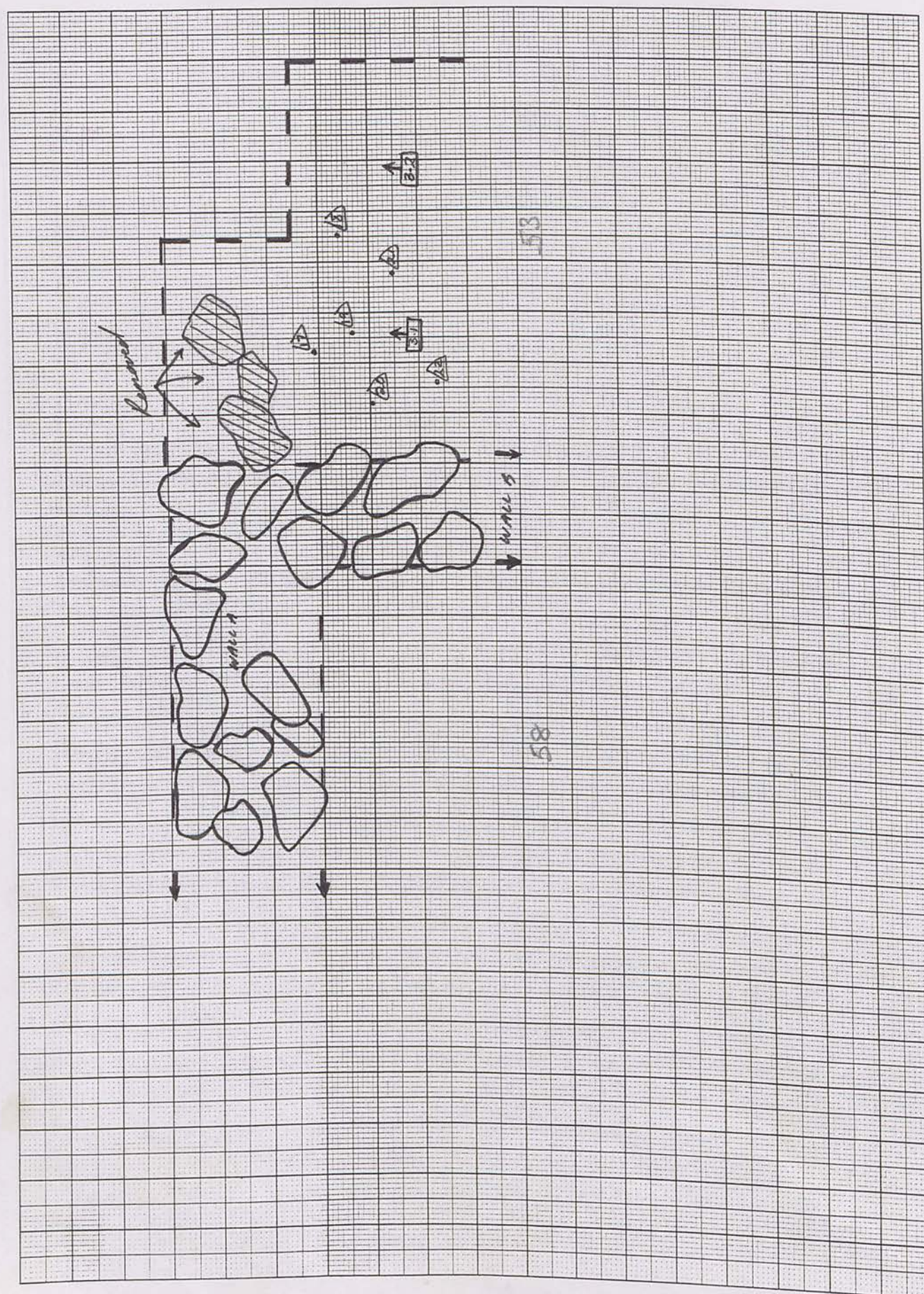
bag 2 4 EB
 for eg 1 OS
 2 JAR
 4 cpot
 1 pithos toe

1mm Squares



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1mm Squares



Trench... 123/1... Initials... J.B... Date... 16/4/02 Page... 5
Locus... 3... Spit... 1... Locus... 3... Spit... 2... Feature/s...

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	3	1 x 3.1	4 x 3.2
Bone	1	3.2	
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)	plastic cornice	3.2	
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
17	nail	3.2	02-062
18	lamp frag	3.2	02-060
19	fig frag	3.2	02-058
20	metal shing	3.2	
21	lamp frag (?)	3.2	02-057
22	plastic cornice(?)	3.2	02-082

+ fig frag. found in pottery 123/1 3.1 # 02.207

Context Report

3.1	Have moved to the east, in order to find out what happens to the north side of the N/S wall and the east end of the E/W wall. There may be a corner here, made up of 2 secondary walls(?). Topsoil
3.2	Removing tumble. The soil is dark grey and soft and sandy. It is a corner formed up of secondary walls. 3 stones in the N/E which were initially thought to have formed part of a wall were removed because they did not. The next plan is to go south and see what happens above the walls A+B, but my workers are for the moment retreating and insist on having a new trench.

Context 3.1 Pottery → 20B
1 FRB
3 JAR
1 AMTOE

3.2 Pottery 18 EB 1/2 PSB
3 OS 1 FRB
19 JARS 1 MB
2 Cpts 10B
1 Pithos 1/2 FGB

Trench.....^{75/5}.....Initials.....^{J.R.}.....Date.....^{1/7/02}.....Page.....⁶..
Locus.....¹.....Spit.....¹.....Locus.....Spit.....Feature/s.....

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

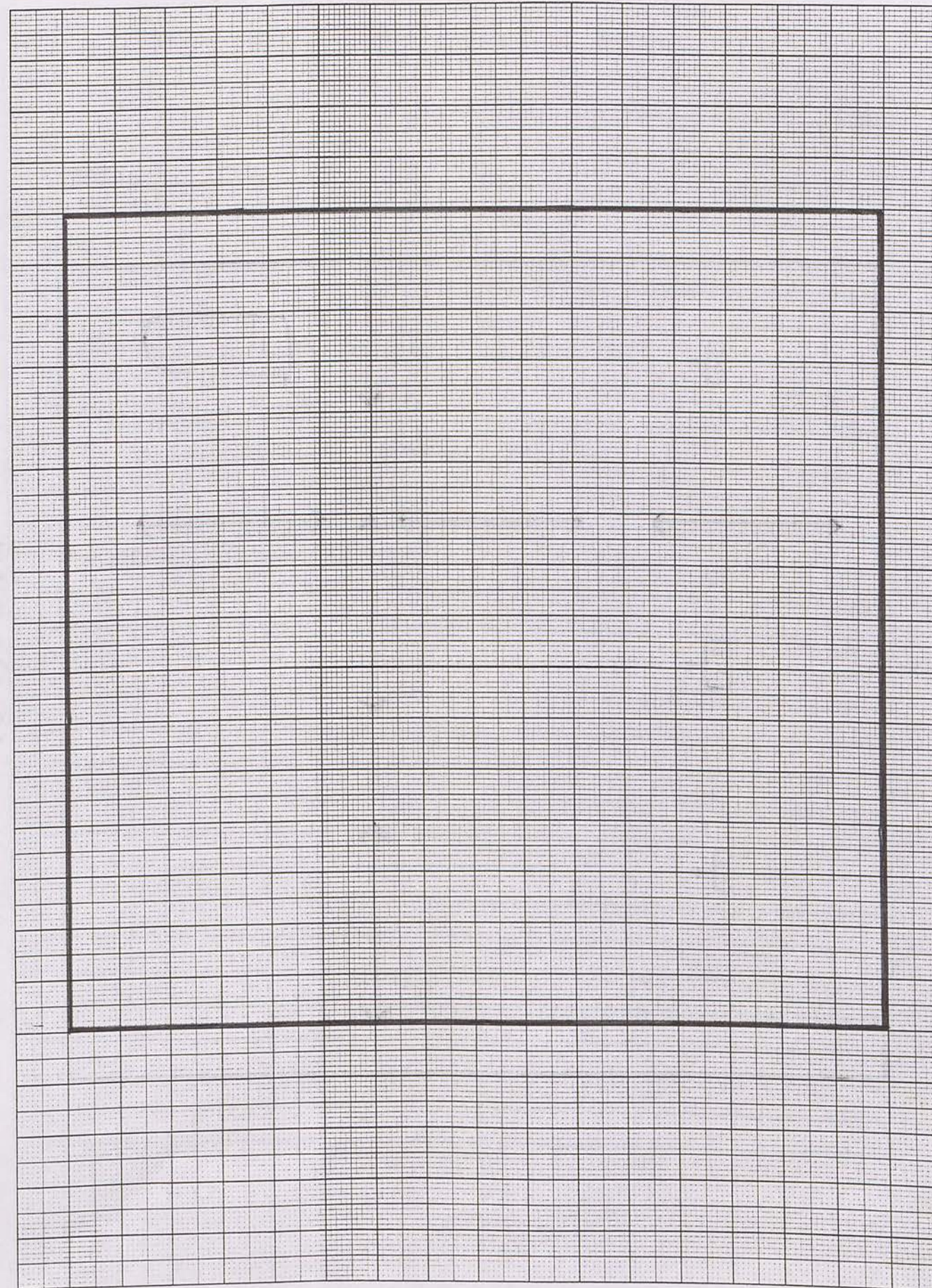
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Context

Report

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N
1:2

N
1:25
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2-1
locus
of descent
of digging
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retentive
walls
stones

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery			
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw	56 1 22		
Photos col.	1		

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Trench 75/5 Initials J.B. Date 20/4/02 Page 8
 Locus 2 Spit 1 Locus 3 Spit 1 Feature/s trough

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

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
①	Spatula	2.1	02.097
②	metal Hob	2.1	02.116
③	fig frag	2.1	02.115
④	bead ^{sglass}	3.1	02.114
⑤	seed?	3.1	
⑥	metal	2.1	02.169
⑦	glass frag	2.1	02.140

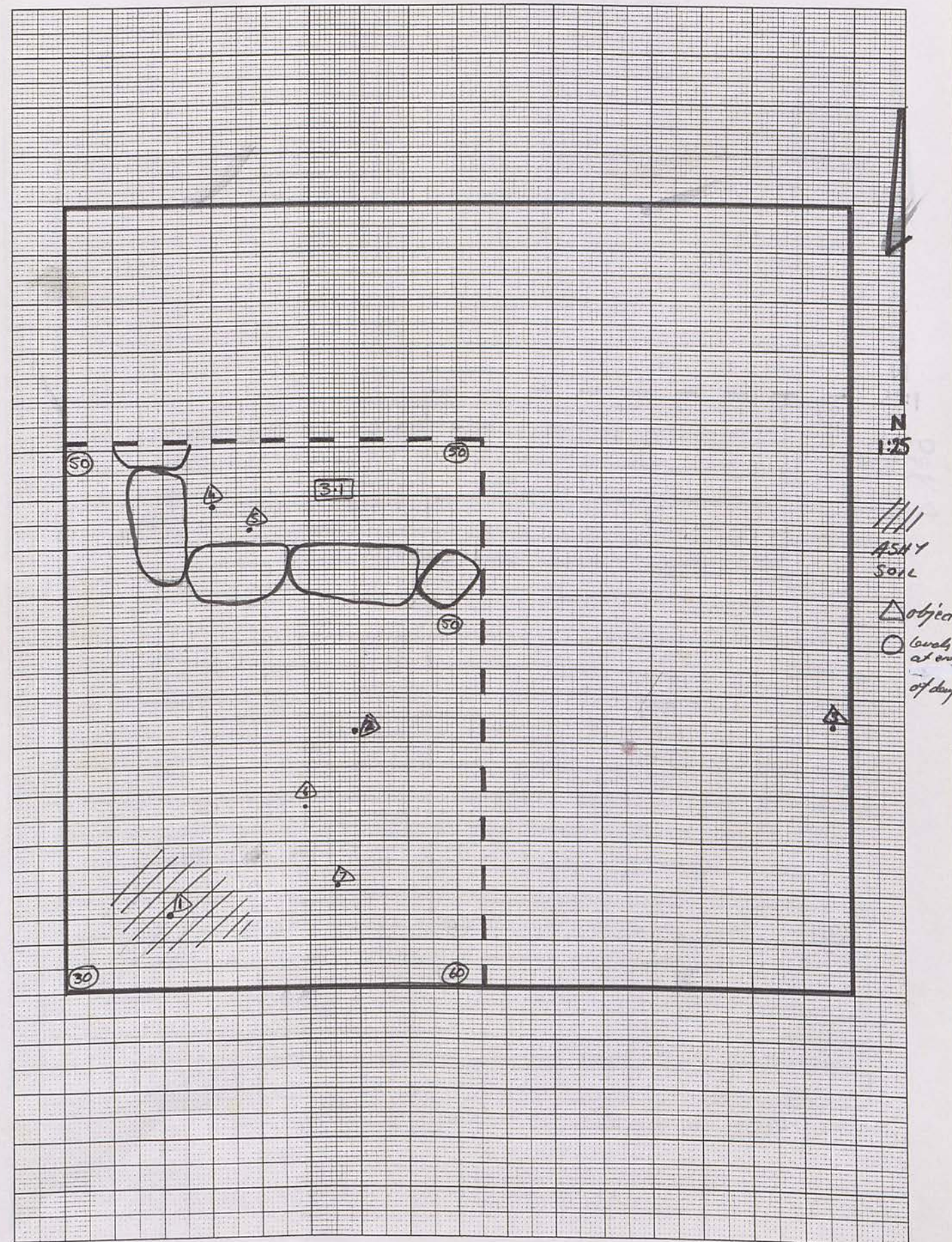
Context

Report

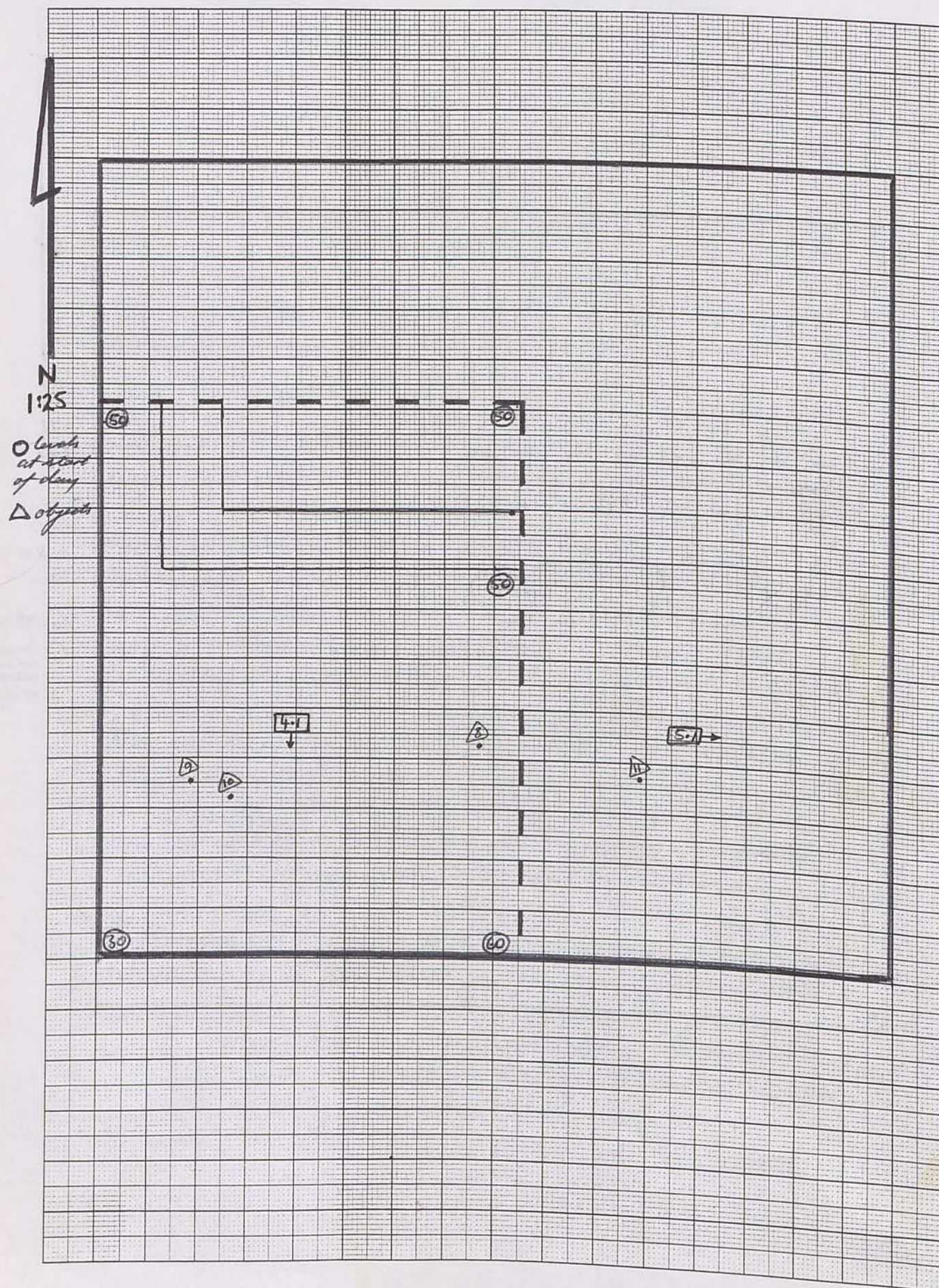
2.1	Continuing to clear tumble
	The wall situation is a little bit unclear here There may be one running N-S, there may also be two (yet 2') running E-W, although one of these is slowly beginning to look unlikely. Will keep digging, mainly in the west
	Soil light brown & crumbly & some decayed limestone
	① spatula ~20 cm down
	② metal Hobby things ~30 cm down
	③ fig frag ~30 cm down
	④ metal ~40 cm down
	⑦ glass frag ~40 cm down
3.1	Trough-like feature abutting E-W wall
	④ bead ~60 cm down
	⑤ seed (?) ~60 cm down

Context 2.1 Pottery → 4 EB
 3 OB
 3 FG-1B
 1 PSB
 1 FRB
 1 DB
 7 JARS
 2 cots
 1 Ung toe

1mm Squares



1mm Squares



Trench.....75/5.....Initials.....J.B.....Date.....2/4/02.....Page.....2.....
Locus.....4.....Spit.....1..... Locus.....5.....Spit.....1..... Feature/s.....

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

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
8	glass metal dish	4.1	02-138
9	metal hook/wire	4.1	02-137
10	fig frag	4.1	02-136
11	nail	5.1	02-139

Context Report

4.1	Changed locus at the level reached yesterday, just below the trough which emerged abutting the E-W wall. There is no tumble in this layer, and the soil has taken on a lot of ashy grey and is distinctively light in colour. It has a soft and crumbly consistency. Avoiding inside the trough for the time being. 8 glass metal dish ~50cm down 9 metal hook/wire ~50cm down 10 fig frag → estimated location only, rescued from zambal After ~20-25cm of this light grey ashy soil, they have hit upon a hard surface which they say is a floor, although it appears to be very uneven, with tumble starting to appear again. What was originally thought to be a wall running N/S in the E is not one and they are going to work their way down here, spit by spit.
5.1	Eastern side of trench. I did ask them to start from the top and slowly work down, but it looks like they want to go in from the side in the usual gunghe style.

Context 4.1 Pottery → 4EB
1/2 FG15
1 FR5
3 JARS
1 AMSTAN.0
1 PITHOS

Trench...7.5/5.....Initials...J.B.....Date...22/4/02 Page...10
 Locus...5.....Spit...1..... Locus...4.....Spit...1..... Feature/s.....

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

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
12	nail (?)	5-1	02-181
13	glass frag	5-1	02-177
14	lamp frag	5-1	02-176
15	fig frag	5-1	02-180

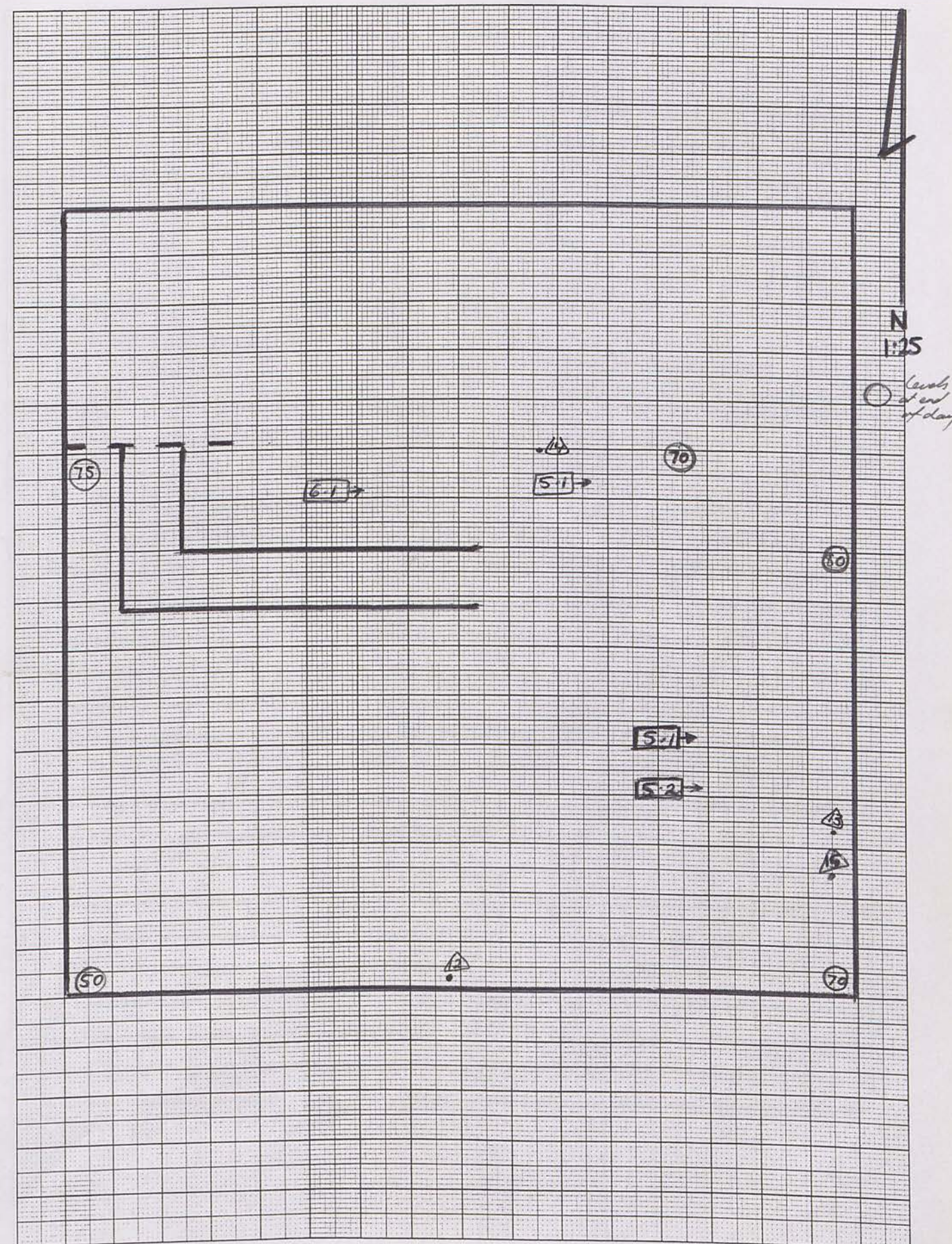
Context

Report

5-1	Continuing in an easterly direction, trying to find a wall. Spreading the layer of ashly soil underneath the rubble for the time being (until all rubble is cleared from above). 12 nail ~ 50 cm down 13 glass frag ~ 40 cm down 14 lamp frag ~ 20 cm down E/W wall Working the entire E half to the edge of the E bank, but no walls (n/a) are appearing. Workers are a bit mystified, but will see. On the other hand, work is going very quickly as usual! The trench is also a little confusing when it comes to finding its closing side in the E. 15 fig frag ~ 40 cm down by E bank 6-1 Still a bit confusing in the trench area so we are starting a new locus as concentrating
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Context 5-1 pottery → 3 EB
 1 OB
 1 MB
 3 JARS

1mm Squares



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	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	11	51	52
Bone	4	811	
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

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Context	Report	75/5 S-2	# 02-266
	only on this area in the trough. Soil here is bright orange and crumbly. Completed a split in the trough (5-1) and although it did not tell us too much more, it did reveal some nicely dressed stone running N/S. At this stage however, they are still covered up.		
5-2	shoved back south of the trough and are going down again. Have changed split because there is some ash and grayness to the soil		

Context 5-2 pottery $\rightarrow$ 2 EB
2013
1 FG-18
2 MB
2 JARS

Pottery - Context 5-3 - 3 EB
1 MB
1 OB
1 JAR

Trench.....75/5.....Initials.....J.B.....Date.....23/4/02.....Page.....116
Locus.....5.....Spit.....3.....Locus.....Spit.....Feature/s.....A.B.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	1	S-3	
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)	1 - 154 10 cm		
Photos bw	HJ Roll 2, 35, 36		
Photos col.	↑		

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
16	key / ring	5.3	02-234
17	folded sheet metal	5.3	02-212
18	lead	5.3	02-209
19	metal rod	5.3	02-211
20	metal? Stone?	5.3	02-220

Context Report

5.3 Continuing down, especially to define some interesting stones which have appeared below the surface, including what looks like a piece of - column.

There is a lot of decayed limestone here, making the soil bright yellow, but also quite hard.

Admittedly, we are having difficulty at this stage in finding a floor or other surface because of several large rocks.

Have removed a large dressed stone from atop the "trough" which was sitting on ~10cm of soil, so it must have been turned.

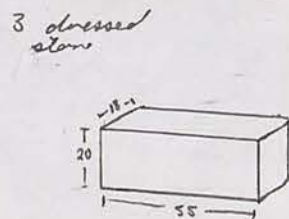
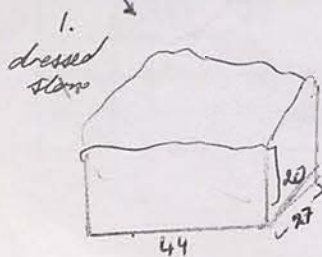
(16) pig frag.

(17) folded piece of sheet metal ~73cm down, Egypt. ware

(18) bead - as above

(19) metal rod ~ above floor near mid S. barrel

(20) metal(?) stems(?) ~100cm down by S. barrel

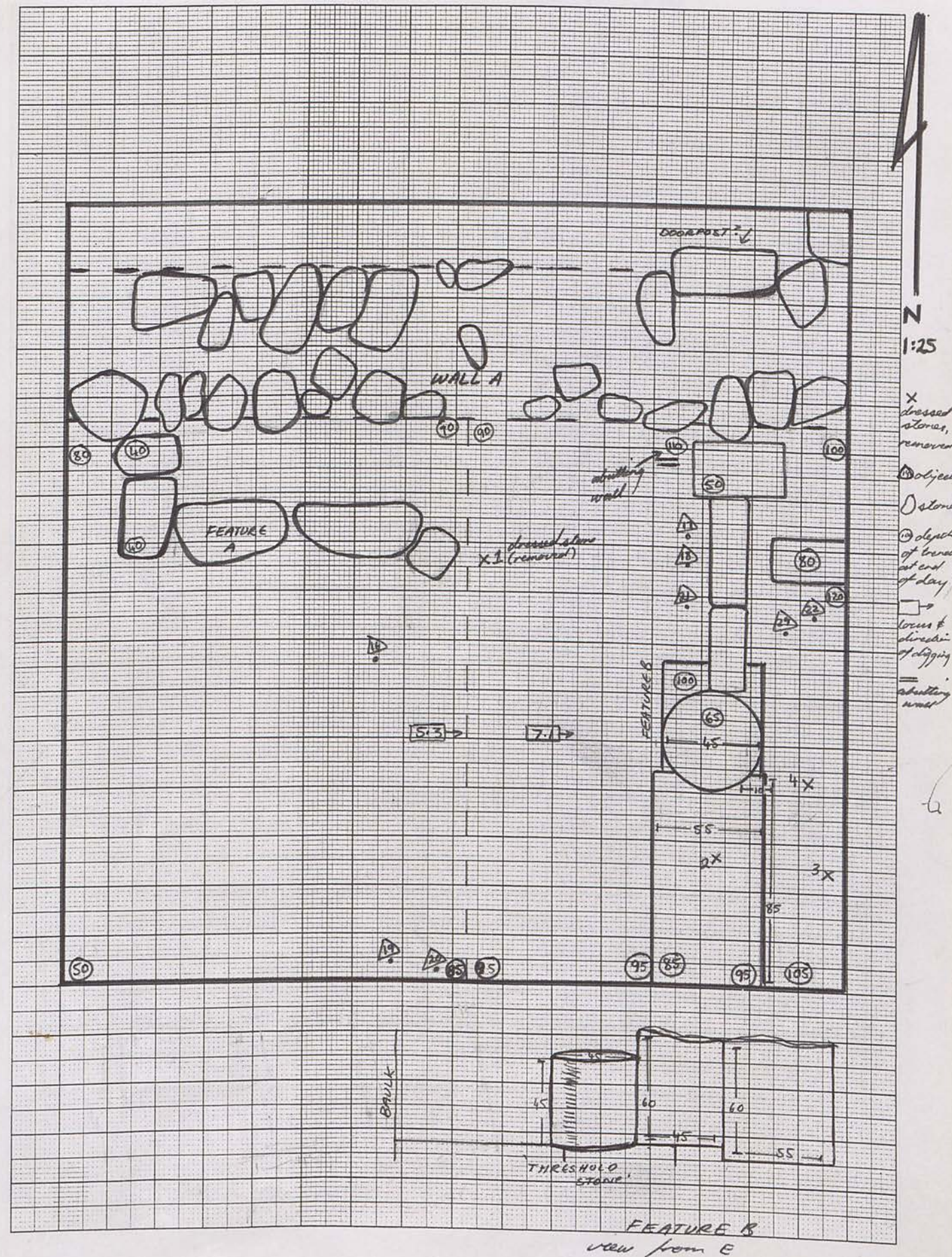


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dressed
stone

1mm Squares



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	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	/	7.1	-
Bone	/	7.1	
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
(21)	nail	7.1	02-210
(22)	nail	7.1	02-217
(23)	spindle wheel	7.1	02-216

+ 1 'graffitto' sherd taken from pottery 75/5 7.1 # 02.333

Report

7:11
MM In an attempt to clarify what is happening in the east, have divided the trench in half and are concentrating only on this side around the rock formation here.

What looks like bedrock is coming up in the S/E, but it has been shaped around the column.

(R) nail prongs ~1m down W of upright stones.

Soil sample taken near the stone formation in the east → yellow/orange and beautifully soft & crumbly.

Postings - Context T-1 → 7 EB
4 OB
4 JARS
2 AMTOES

Trench.....75/5.....Initials.....J.B.....Date.....24/4/02.....Page13
Locus.....8.....Spit.....1.....Locus.....Spit.....Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	1	8.1	
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

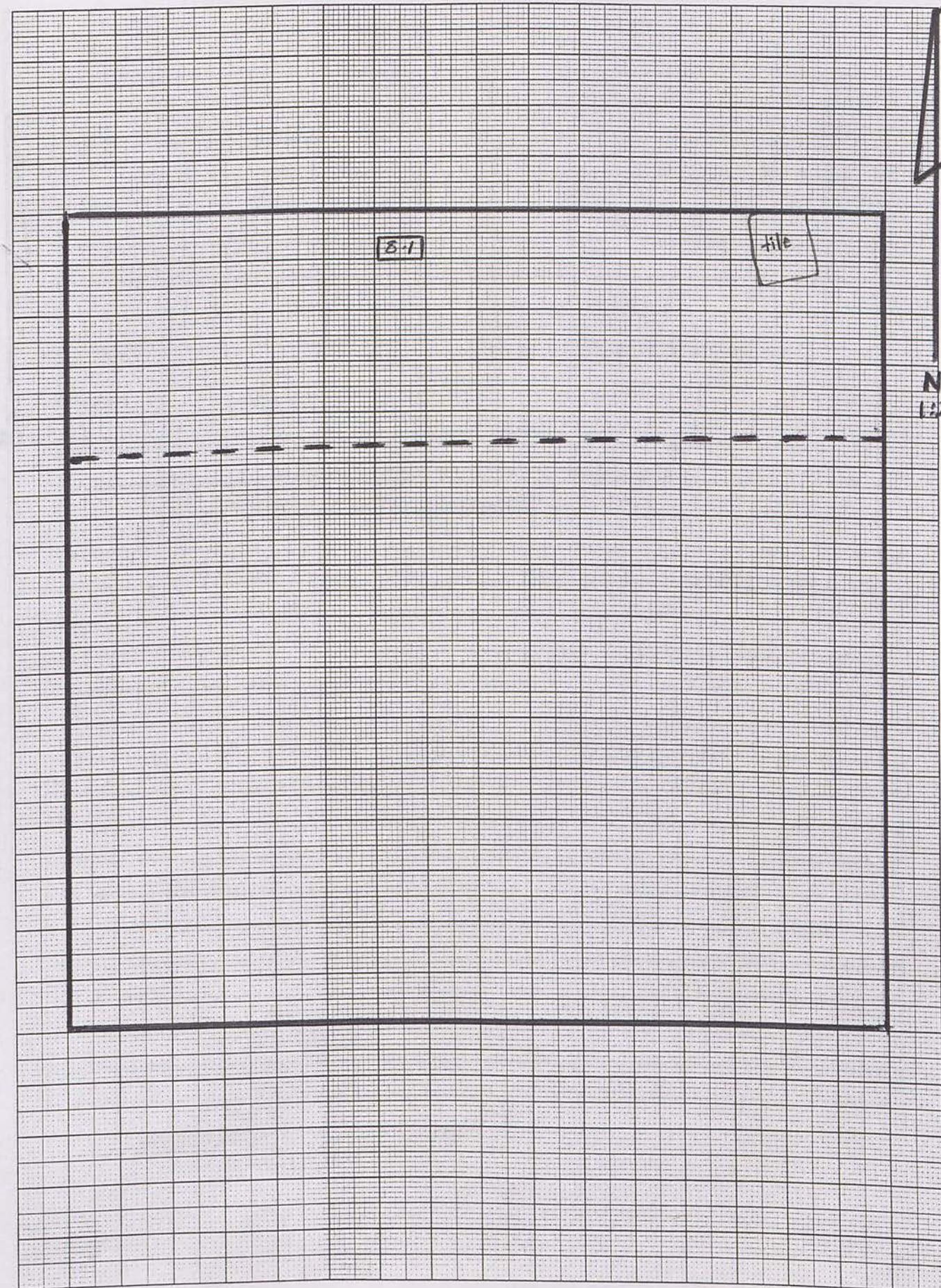
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Context Report

8.1 Due to what looks to have been conventional rain
last night, it is impossible to keep digging 7.1
because of the mud. It is a bit drier N of
well A, so we may as well go down
here.
Aft. trouble so far, but possible doorstone in the E

Pottery - context 81 - 10B
10B
1 JAR

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

1.1 Topsoil $\rightarrow$ Have moved into this trench for the moment because of the mud.
Just taking the top off.

Nothing can be seen so far $\rightarrow$ work halted at 5:30 am because of the rain

Trench.....75/6.....Initials.....J.B.....Date.....25/4/02.....Page.....15
Locus.....1.....Spit.....1.....Locus.....Spit.....Feature/s.....

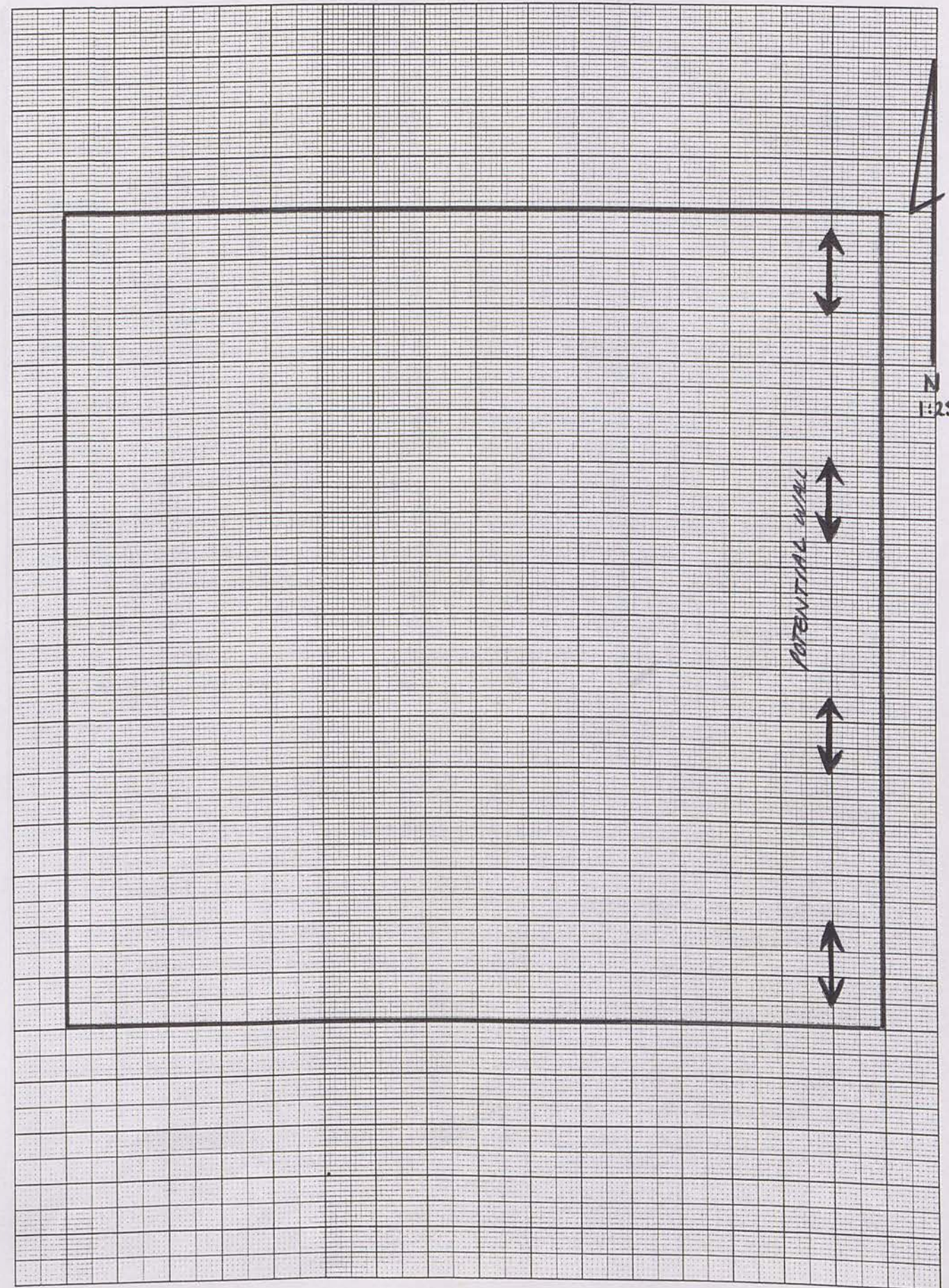
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Pottery			
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

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1mm Squares



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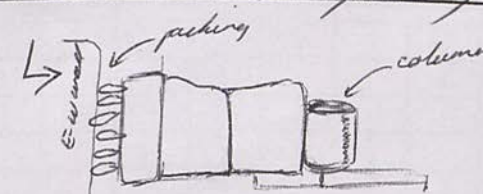
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Locus.....Spit..... Locus.....Spit..... Feature/s.....

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

No.	Object	Cont	Cont

Context Report

7.2	Clearing the soil below 7.1, which is now of course rather wet & muddy. 20 cm later, we have reached bedrock in the N, amongst great quantities of wasted limestone. The jebel level in the N is much higher than that in the S, and has been filled in order to even it up. The E-W wall in the N has packing at the bottom level in order to even it up. There are approx. 5 courses remaining. ⇒ I don't think I have confirmed it before now, but feature A is ^{probably} secondary and is sitting on a secondary floor below the deep ash level. Where the 3 upright stones next to the column about the E-W wall, there is a row of smaller stones filling in the gap.
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view from w.

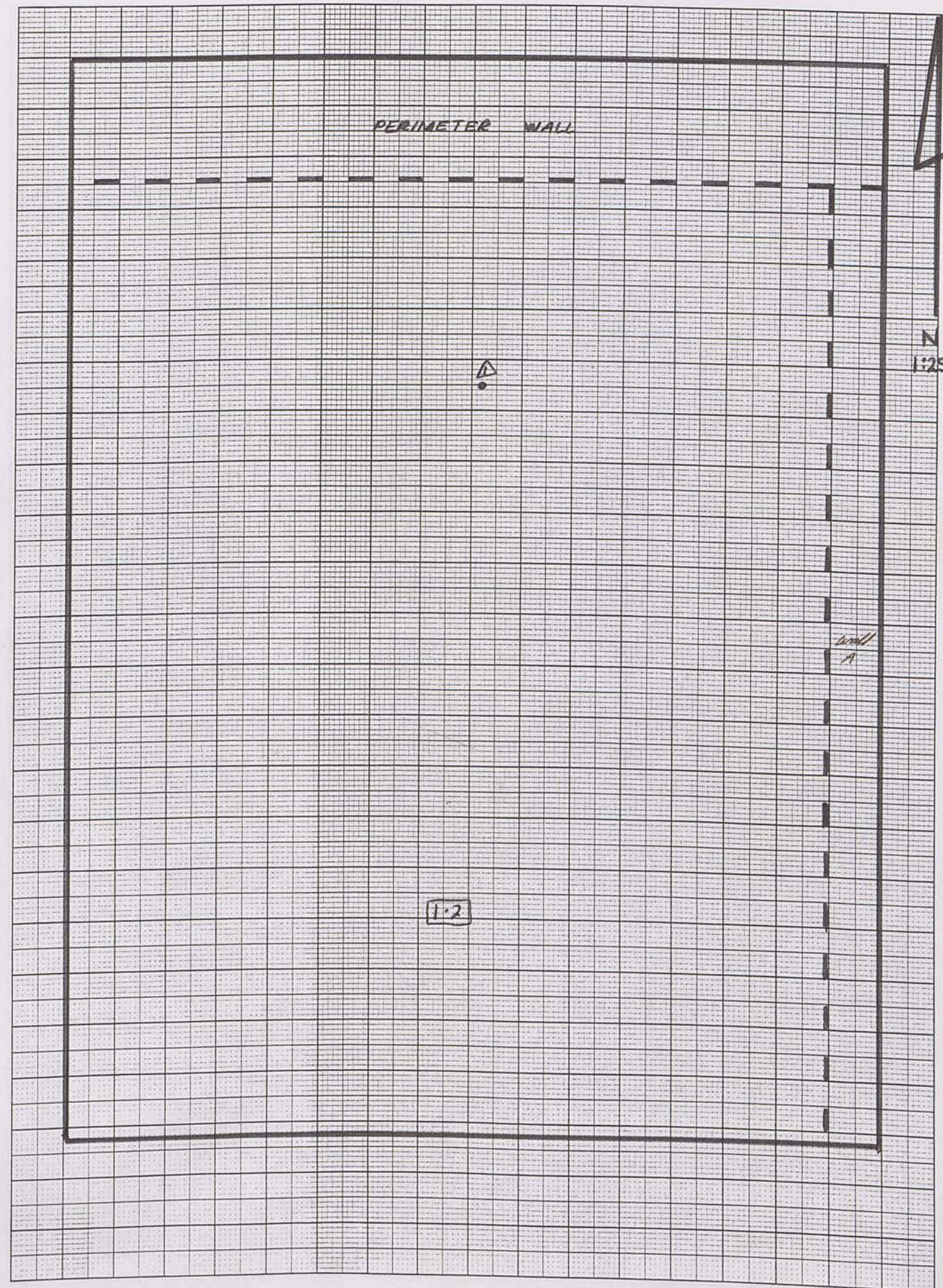
Trench.....75/6.....Initials.....J.B.....Date.....27/4/02.....Page.....17
Locus.....1.....Spit.....1.....Locus.....1.....Spit.....1.....Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	1	1/2	
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.	147 Box 2, 29		

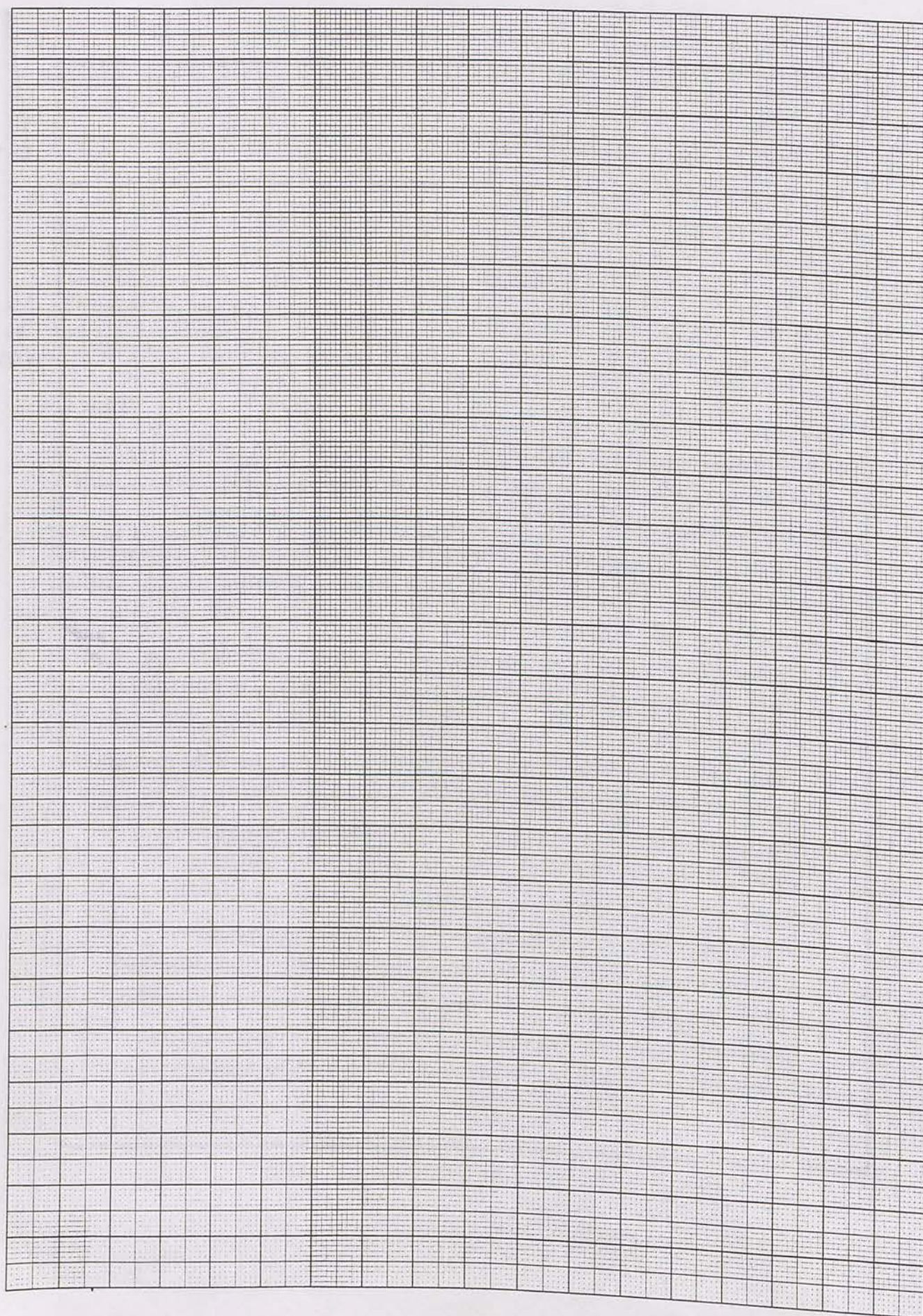
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Context	Report
1.1	Had to move back to 75/6 due to rain over the weekend making digging in in 75/5 impossible again. Perhaps after breakfast we will have more success. Photos taken after topsoil removed
1.2	Clearing tumble Have extended the trench to the N up to the perimeter wall ① Metal point → in tumble ~ 40cm down

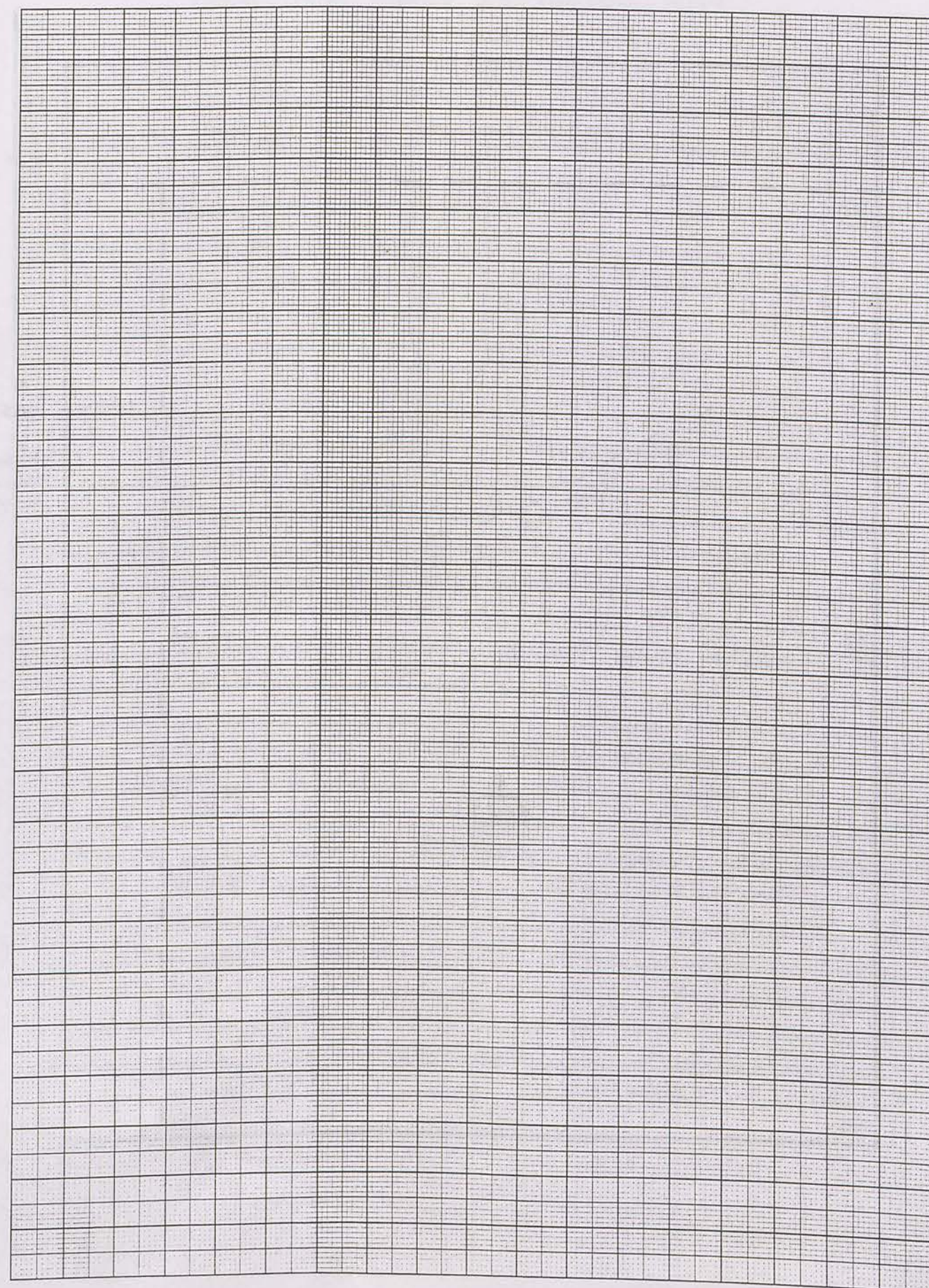
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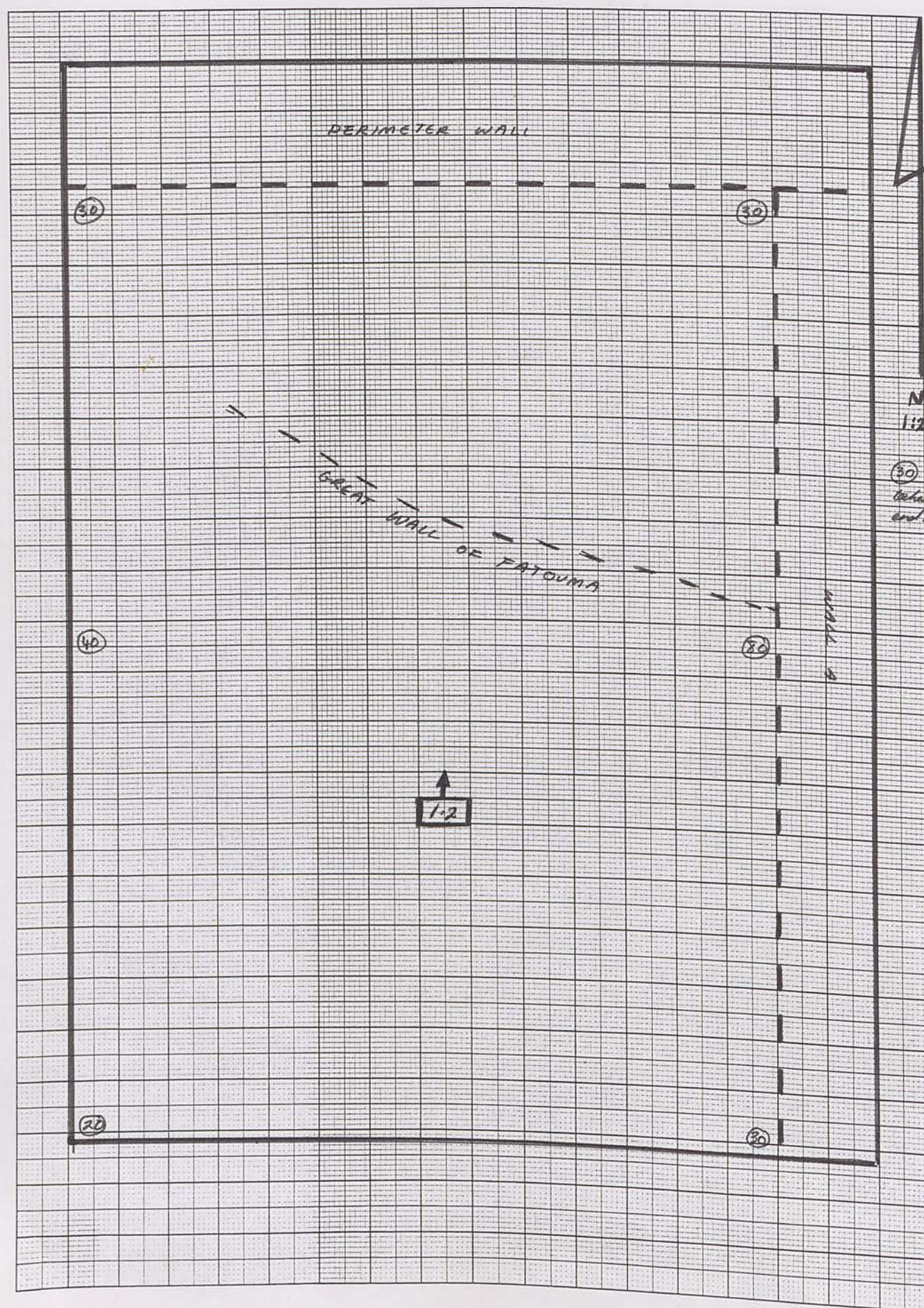
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1mm Squares



Trench.....75/6.....Initials.....J.B.....Date 28/1/02 Page 18
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

Context Report

1-2	Continuing to clear the enormous amounts of rubble, likely coming mainly from the perimeter wall, but rumour has it that they may have tumbled down from over further up hill.
	Beautiful weather by the way, although the day started off rather windy.
	I think this rubble clearing is going to take ~2 days before we get anything interesting!
	For a while Fatouma thought she had a small wall running diagonally to the river from wall A, but it was just wishful thinking - the trench is big, and at the moment quite covering. The stones in the middle of wall A at this point are quite messy, which is possibly why it looked as though a 2 nd wall was forming - there is no clear line for the wall here.

Pottery - Context - 1-2 YES
6 JARS
1 FG-18
1 PITHOS
1 OR

Trench...75/6.....Initials...J.B.....Date...29/4/62 Page 19
 Locus...1.....Spit...2..... Locus.....Spit..... Feature/s.....

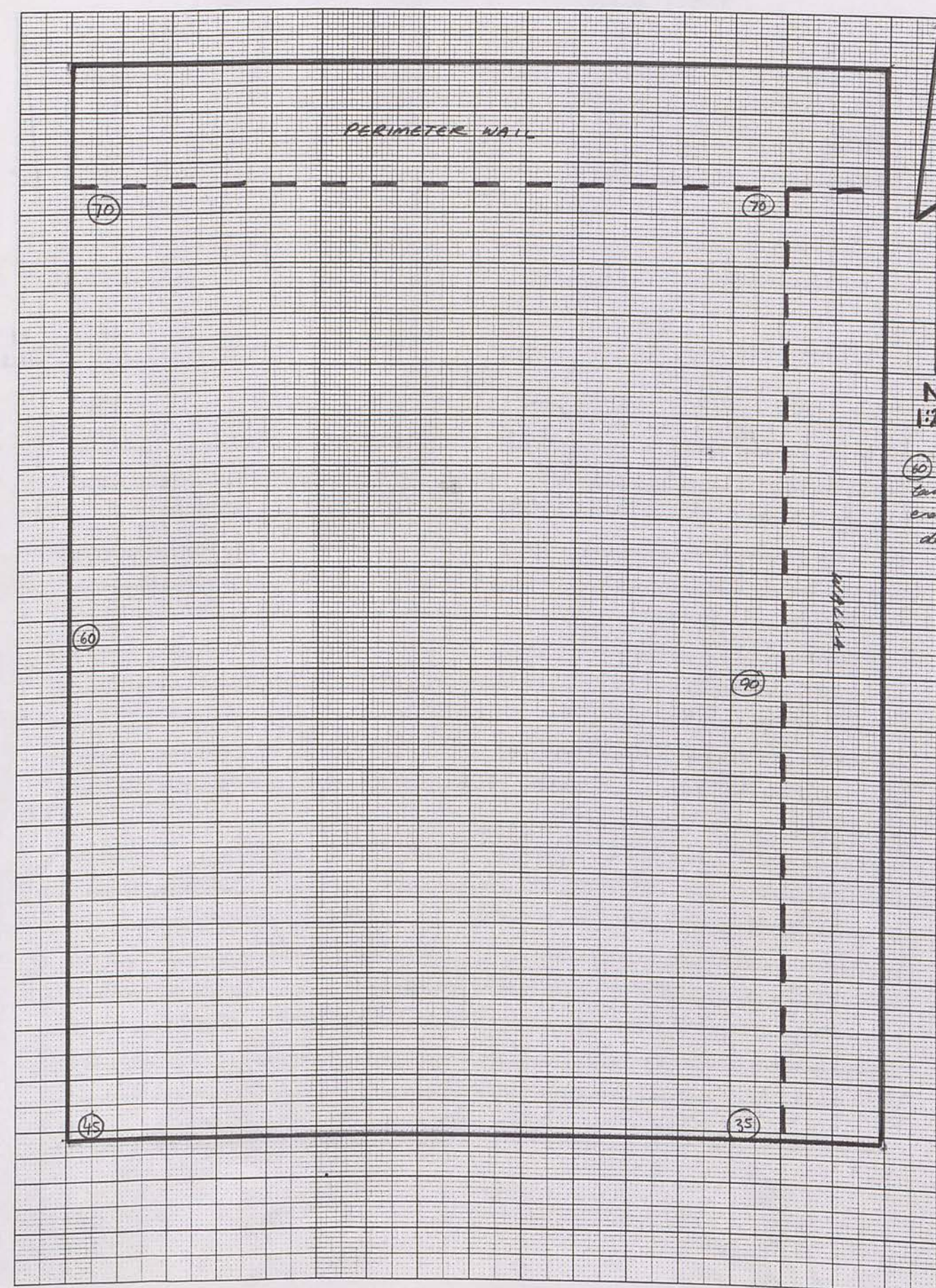
	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	1	1-2	
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont

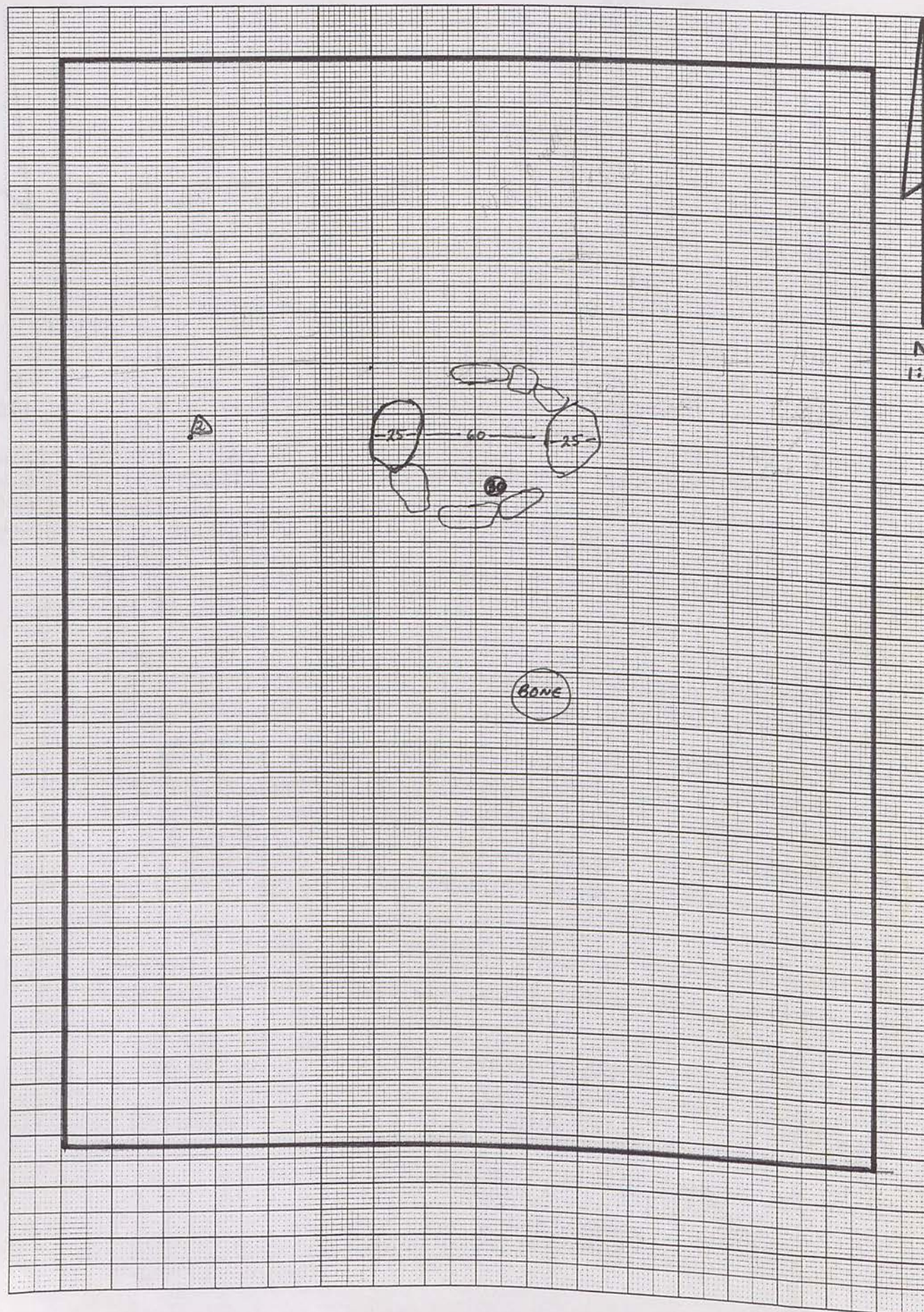
Context	Report
1-2	<i>+ 1 fig fragment + 1 relief moulded bowl frag taken from pottery 75/61-2</i> Continuing to clear that tumb. The 'kagor kabir' has been brought out 9:00 am still clearing tumb. Bloody wheelbarrow wars!!! Clearing in a generally N direction. There is no soil layer between the stones, indicating that they are all tumb. and there is no surface in between. The E side wall becomes a bit messy in the middle of the trench, and the E-W perimeter wall in the N is not much better. Some of the stones being removed are relatively enormous. Soil the usual colour

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1mm Squares



1mm Squares



Trench.....75/6.....Initials J.B.....Date 30/4/02 Page 20
Locus.....1.....Spit?..... Locus.....Spit..... Feature/s.....

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

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
②	stone (?) petrified peanut?	1.2	02385
③	fig frag	1.2	02353

Context Report

1.2	Still tumbling
	② stone (?) petrified peanut (?) Unfortunately dropped by a wayward chisel
	The n/s wall has an alarming inward tilt to it
	A small frag. of a possible grindstone was found amongst the tumble. Roughly 10x13x5cm
	Also a fragment of dressed stone also found in the tumble ~70cm down 5x8x8cm
8:00am	③ fig frag ~thigh & other hindleg of a horse? ~70cm down in the middle
	Apparently also the bone came up in a fairly consolidated dump.
	I think we must finally be coming to a floor or surface because the objects are coming up a bit faster.
	Because of the shabby state of wall A, 7 kept



Trench.....Initials.....Date..... Page 21
 Locus.....Spit..... Locus.....Spit..... Feature/s.....

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

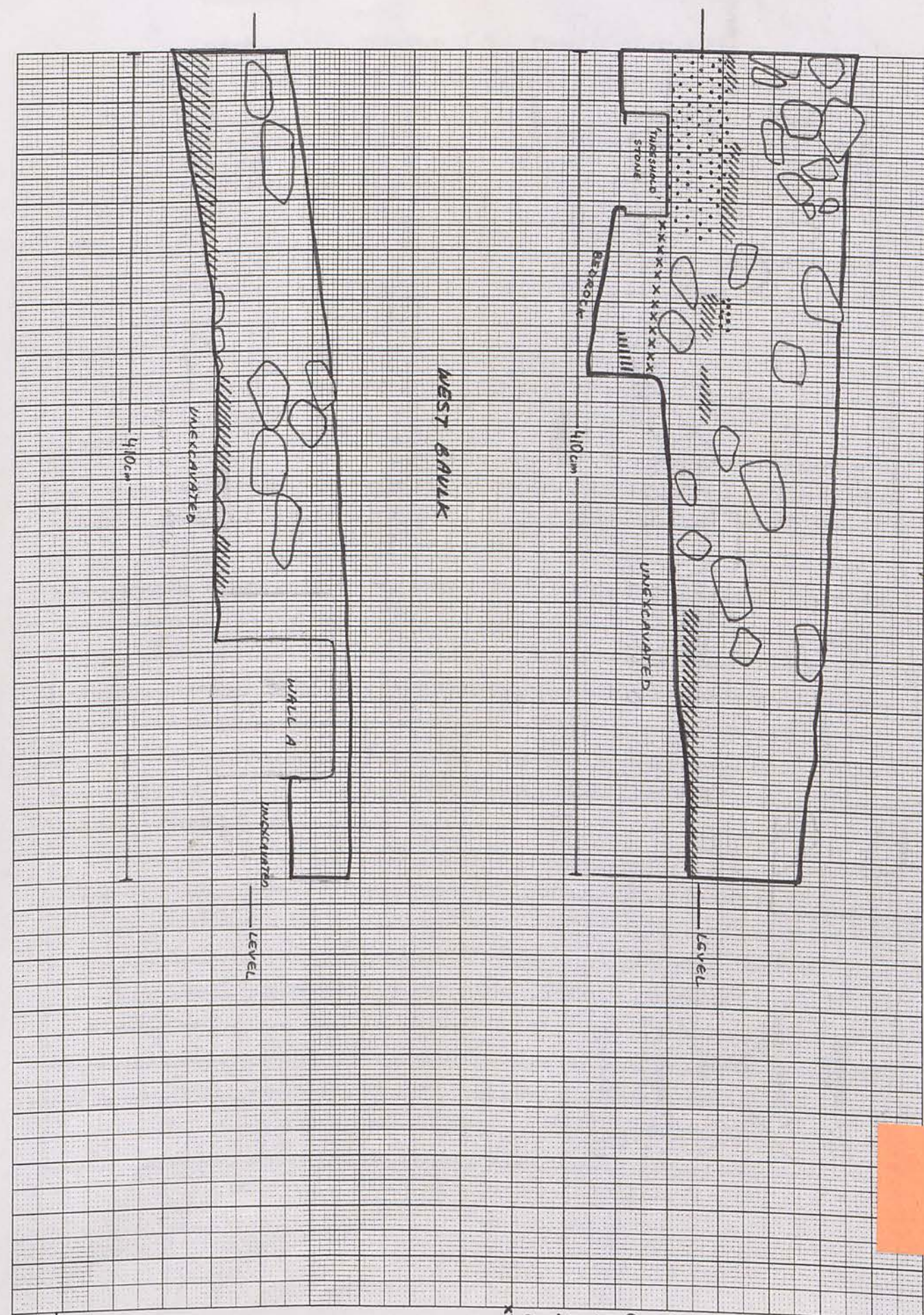
No.	Object	Cont	Cont

Context

Report

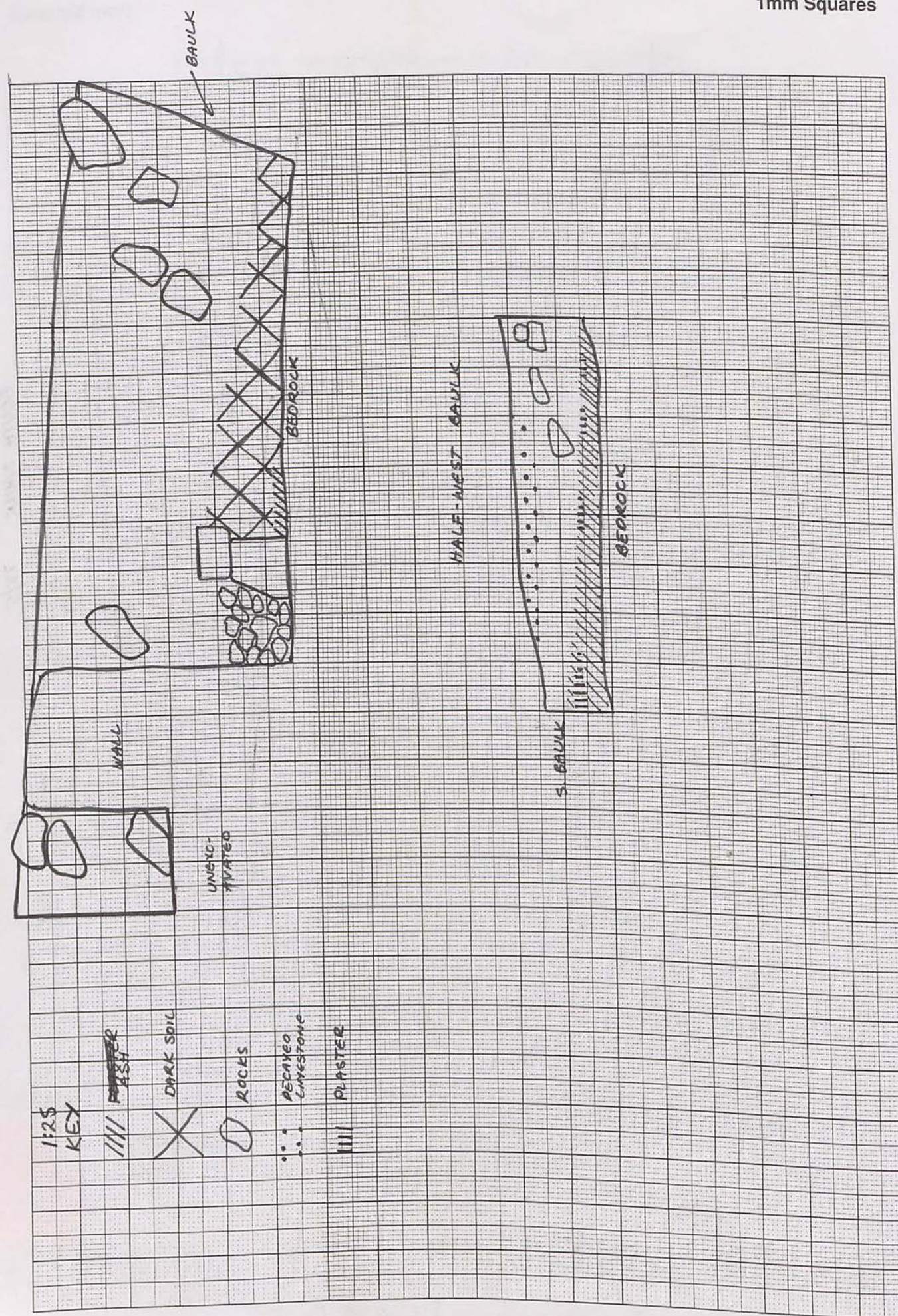
	getting 'I told you so' looks thrown in my direction where the wall is falling apart. They are still not convinced that there never was one
	Floor must be coming soon, the amount of pottery is increasing
	My worry is that the middell is deeper than the NE/S sides and that we will reach a floor here first. Will have to ask them to work on these two areas a bit more.
	A strange feature has appeared s of the N perimeter wall - not sure if its genuine or home-made. It seems to be a circular formation of stones, resting on a mound of harder soil. We have reached what looks like a surface at the bottom. Will clear around it to see
	Rumour in the trench is that it is a sheep watering trough.

1mm Squares



KEY
 Scale: 1:25
 ○ STONES
 /// ASHY
 ... DECAYED LIMESTONE
 ||| PLASTER
 XXXXXXX SOIL

1mm Squares



Trench.....75/5.....Initials...J.B.....Date...1/5/02 Page...22
 Locus.....7.....Spit.....3..... Locus.....Spit..... Feature/s.....

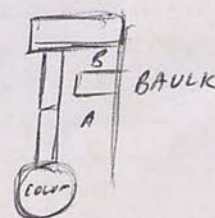
	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	11	7.3	6.2
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
4	Bronze		
5	Metal Fragment?		

Context

Report

7.3	Finally moving back to 75/5 to clean it up and consolidate surfaces etc. The soil is still quite a dark grey, but how much of this is due to dampness I can't tell at this stage. We have hit bedrock here.
	We are also going to go down in the trough area because, although it is secondary, the rain created some troughs and gullies in it which I would like to clean up. This will be 6.2 to continue from previous work here.
	7.3 has been leveled to the bedrock.
	There is a very dark patch of soil, almost black to the E of the column & upright stones. Soil samples have been taken. A lot of the pottery coming up appears to have been burnt as well. The soil here is very soft & crumbly. Soil sample A is taken from the S of an E-W shaped stone & B from the N. (See diagram)



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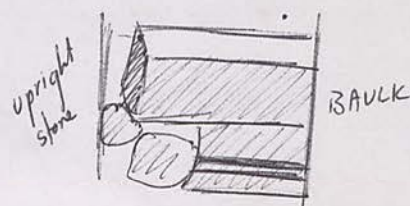
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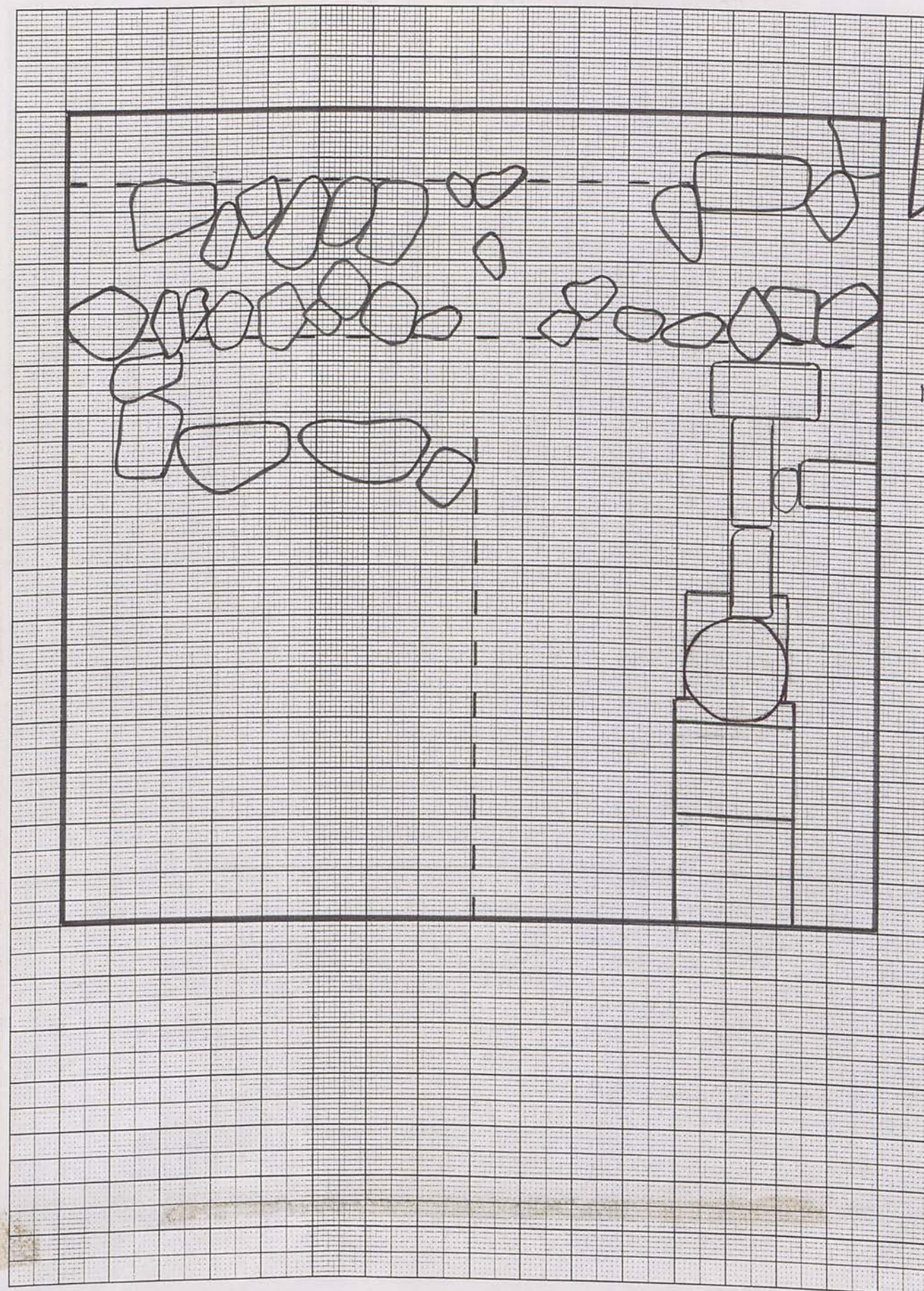
Report

The E-W stones I mentioned previously only recently came to light as we were clearing up what I first thought was ~~an~~ simply a shaped stone which had tumbled with half still stuck in the bank may be more than that, because, directly underneath it, although slightly on an angle is another, beautifully shaped stone aligned in the same direction. There is also a stone to the W of these stones which seems to connect it to the upright stones of feature B.

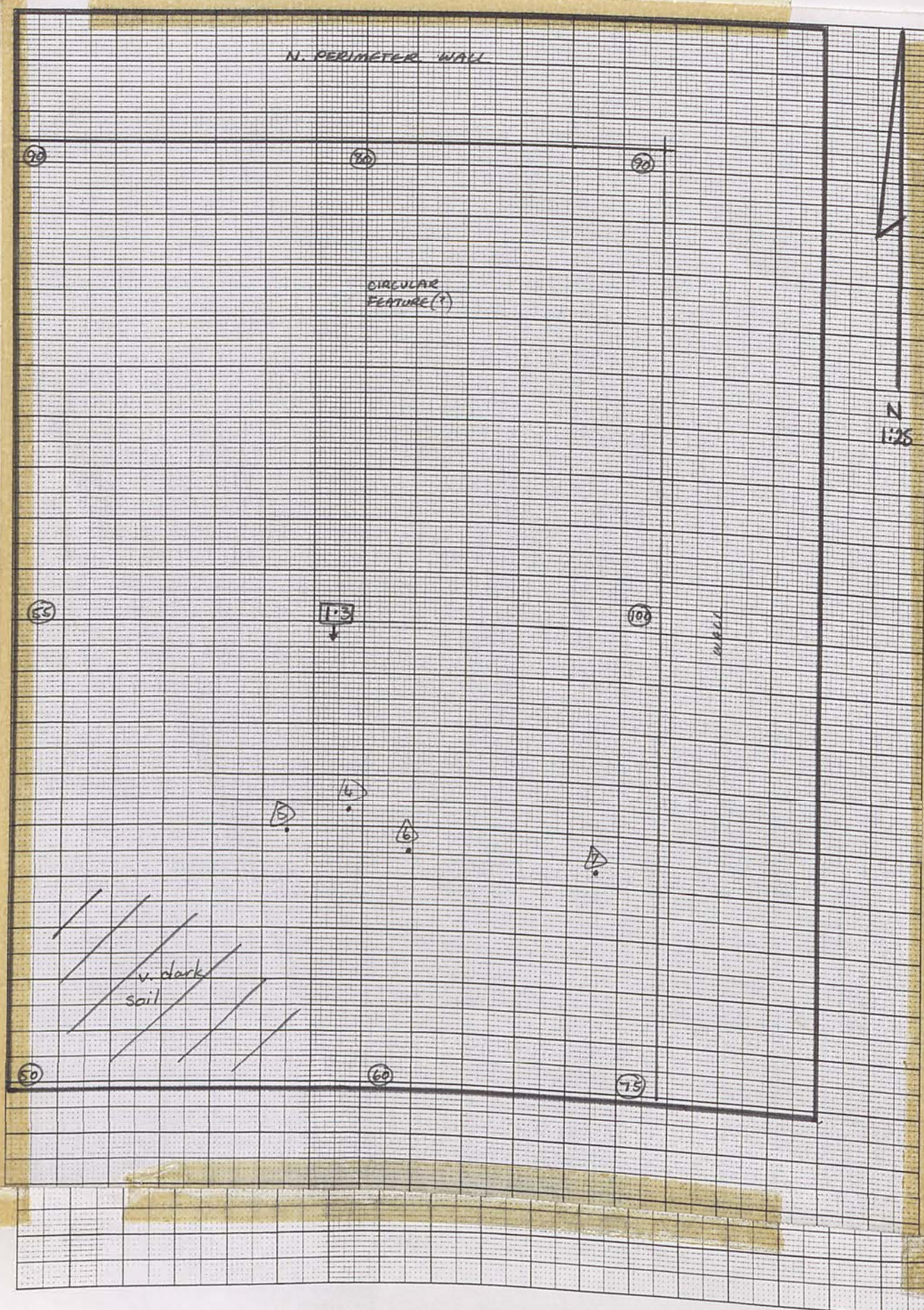
will sweep up & take photos



75/5 - FINAL PLAN



1mm Squares



Trench... 75/6... Initials... J.E... Date... 1/5/02... Page 24
Locus... 1... Spit... 3... Locus... Spit... Feature/s...

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	1	1-3	
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.		C.S. 3. 19-21 G.W. 5. 33-36	

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
4	Bronze Arrowhead	1-3	02-341
5	Iron - Arrowhead	1-3	02-344
6	fig. frag.	1-3	02-340
7	fig. frag.	1-3	02-343

Context Report

1-3	Back to 75/6 → stones are getting smaller & smaller, particularly visible in the S
	There is a patch of dark brown soil emerging in the SW corner, seemingly underneath the stones, which are also blackened. Unfortunately, this might mean that while I wasn't looking, a small feature was torn out.
	It seems that, above the floor, the smaller rubble fell on the floor first then, as the walls collapsed, the larger stones fell in.
	The rude amphora handles are emerging again!
	4 bronze arrowhead - 55cm down
	5 iron arrowhead - 55cm down
	6 fig. frag. ~ 60 cm down
	7 fig. frag. ~ 80 cm down

Trench.....75/6.....Initials.....J.B.....Date.....2/5/02 Page.....25
 Locus.....1.....Spit.....3..... Locus.....Spit..... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	3	1-3	
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.	H.J. courtesy picture Feb 2 #1		

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
(8)	Glass frag	1-3	02-378
(9)	Glass bezel	1-3	02-390
(10)	Iron	1-3	02-406
(11)	Iron blobs	1-3	02-399
(12)	Bronze bowl	1-3	02-369
(13)	Bronze rod frags	1-3	02-375

Context

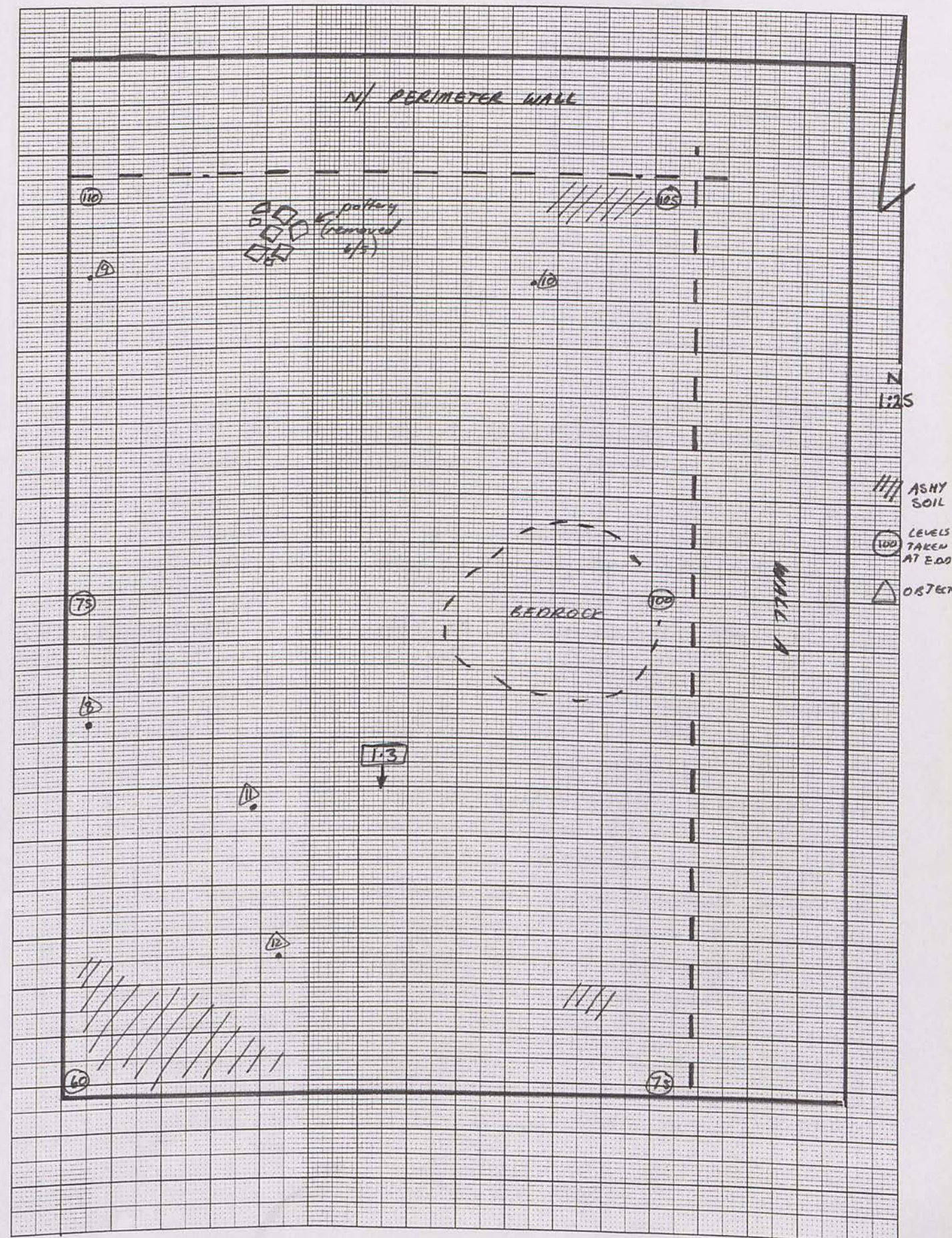
Report

1-3	Keeping this context until we clear the smaller trench
	The 'feature' is still in the middle of the N, which is the direction we are heading in today.
	(8) glass frag, next to a barrel 60 cm down
	(9) glass ring bezel
	Lots & lots of pottery! Soil v. ashy & N & S
	(10) Iron 100m down
	(11) 3x Iron blobs - near ashy soil 60m down
	(12) bronze bowl - 75m down - on edge of ashy soil
	(13) bronze rod frags - as above
	Soil sample taken from SW ashy patch
	I doubt that the 'feature' in the N is anything, but H.J. will think take a photo of it

3rd sample
 taken 16/5 →

Second sample
 taken 12/5
 by LC for JB
 from same place.

1mm Squares



A full-page view of a blank sheet of graph paper. The grid consists of small squares formed by thin black lines. There are approximately 20 columns and 20 rows of these small squares. A slightly thicker vertical line runs down the center of the page, dividing it into two equal halves. The paper has a light cream or off-white background.

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

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Report

seems to keep them happier than we will get rid of it and work down only in the N/E corner until we hit bedrock.

Here in the N, the bedrock has been shipped away to create a foundation for the N perimeter wall. It turns the corner and also forms part of the N's wall in the E.

Trench.....75/6.....Initials J.B.....Date 6/5/02 Page 27
 Locus...2...Spit...1... Locus.....Spit..... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	1	2-1	
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw	6. 8-16		
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
(14)	glass	1-3	02.405
(15)	stone(?) shaped(?)	1-3	02.387

Context

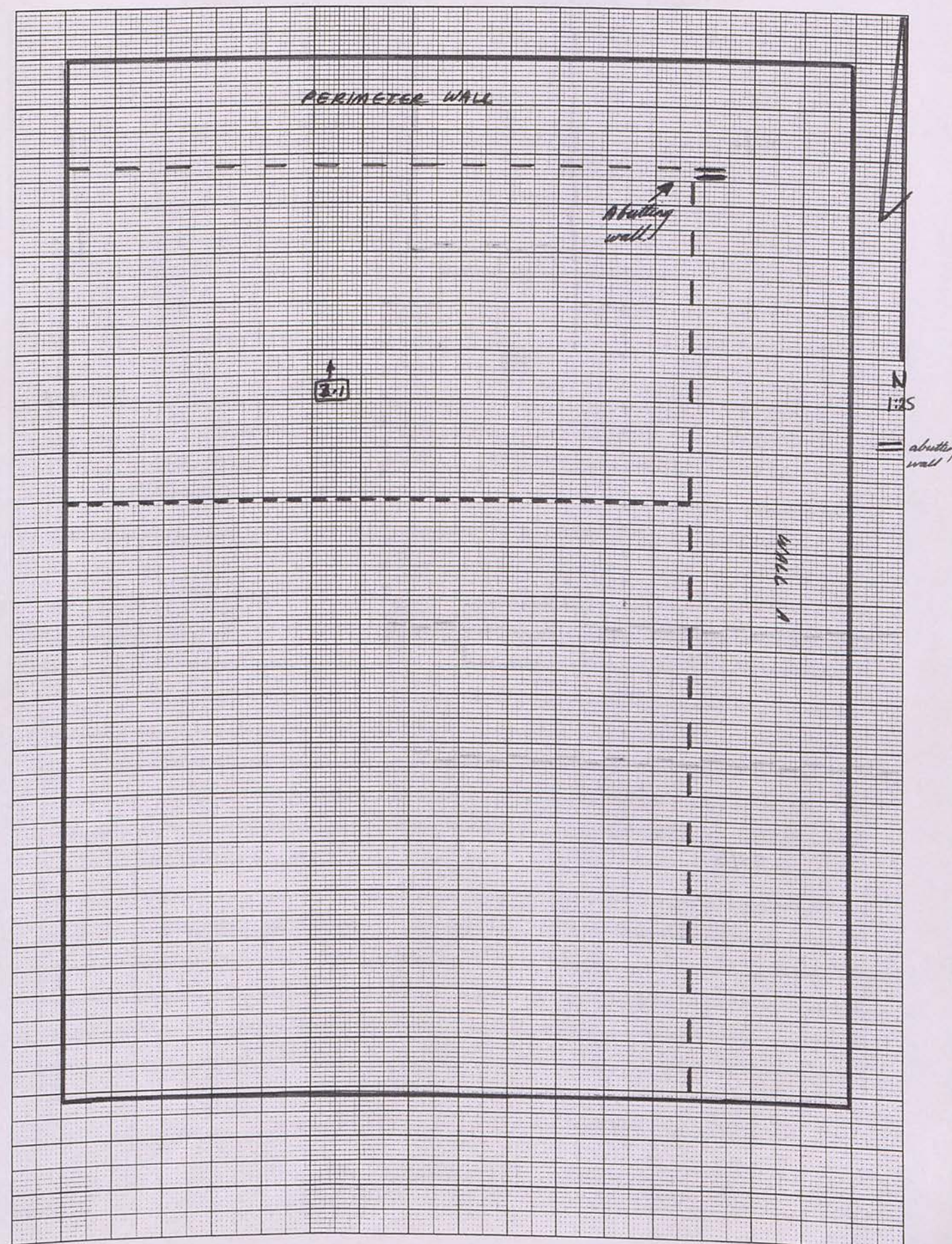
Report

2-1	Well! Back from the break, and at 6:00am the picks are ringing out merrily and with surprising enthusiasm.
	Have removed the so-called feature and am now digging only in the N section (~2m block) of the trench. It should not be much further to bedrock.
	It appears that the bottom of 1-3 was the surface above bedrock. The soil is incredibly hard, except around the walls, and the picks seem to bounce off.
	The soil of the surface is hard and light grey.
7:00am	Sweeping up for photo.
	The room/courtyard/whatever appears to have been very deliberately created, because the bedrock was cut around to form the N/E corner.

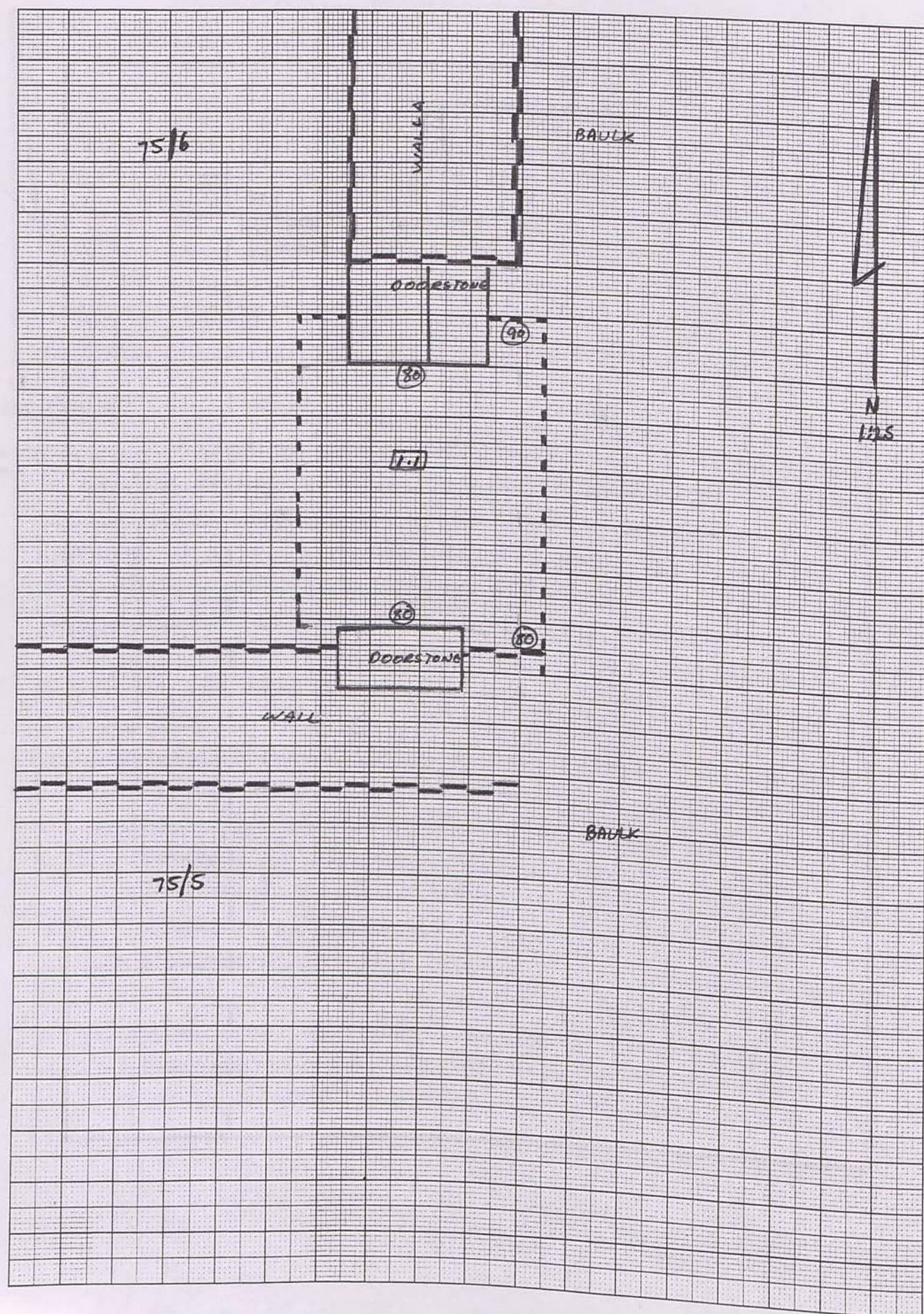


1-3 { (14) glass
 (15) stone(?) shaped(?)
 Both found in cleaning the S bank area, so given previous context.

1mm Squares



1mm Squares



Trench. BLK 75/5-75/6 Initials. J.B. Date 6/5/02 Page 28
Locus. 1 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
1.1	Working through the baulk (E side) to define the door at S of wall A of 75/6 and adjoining wall A in 75/5.
	1.1 is basically topsoil & tumble.
	The doorstone in the N (75/6) is 3 courses high, each stone ~30cm high & 70cm wide, except for the top which is actually 2 stones set next to one another.
	Large pieces of (tile) are coming out from a layer ~30cm down from the top of the N doorstones. Obviously the roof caved in all at once at this stage.
	So far the door is emerging beautifully. It has not been deliberately filled.

Trench.....Initials.....Date..... Page²⁹
Locus.....Spit..... Locus.....Spit..... Feature/s.....

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

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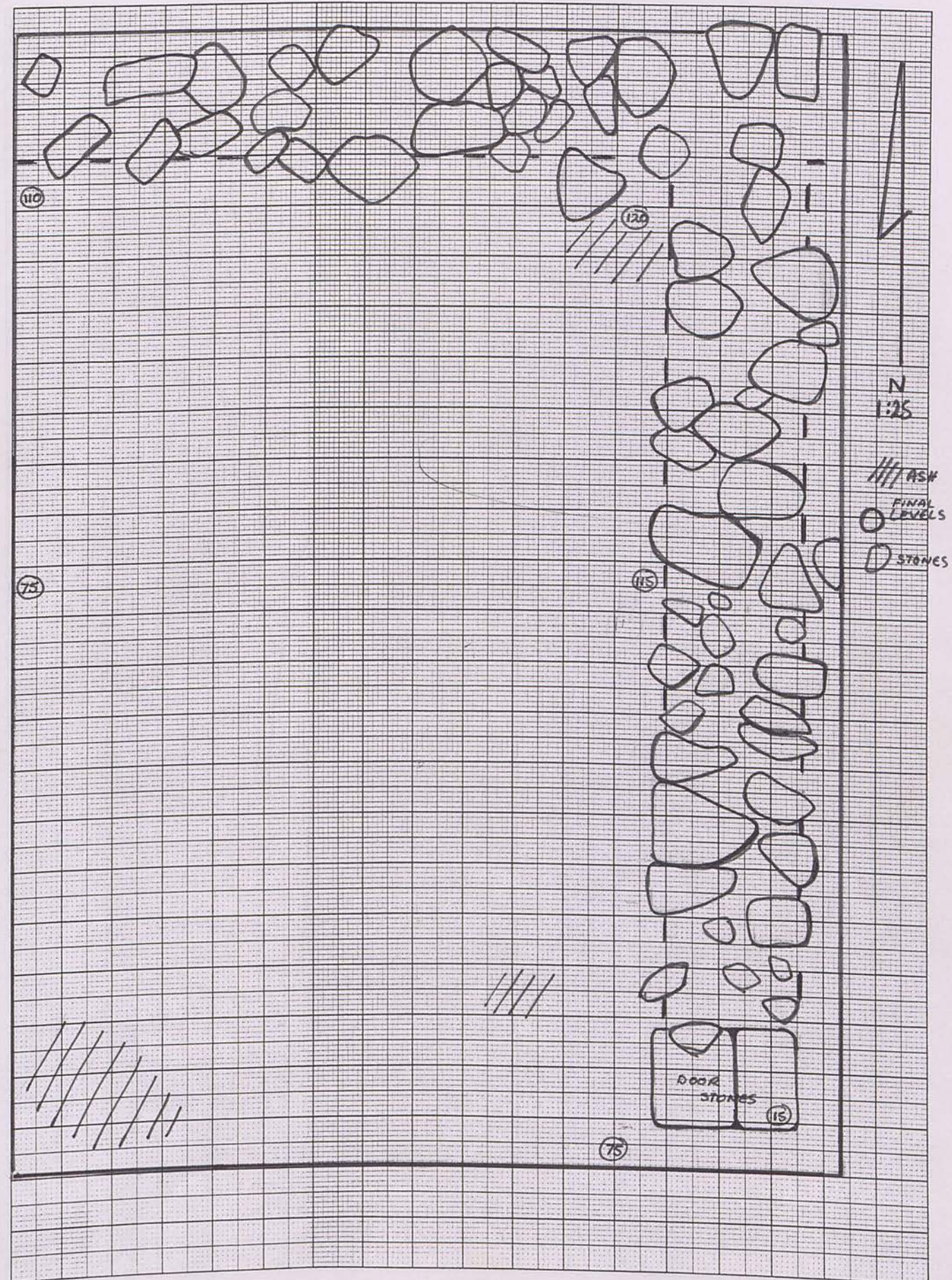
Report

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FINAL OVERHEAD PLAN

$$75/6$$

1mm Squares



A hand-drawn map on a grid background. The map is enclosed in a rectangular border. Inside the border, there are two small triangles, one near the top center and one near the bottom right. To the right of the map, there is a north arrow pointing upwards, labeled 'N' and '1/2 S'.

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

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
①	Group curved Group 6 (?) + checked disc.	1.1	02-41
②	over	1.1	02-41

Report

1-1	Topsoil cleaning
	(D) bangle (?) in topsoil
	(B) core
	No sign of any walls yet, but a few scorpions have popped up.

Trench.....S8/7.....Initials.....J.B......Date.....8/5/02.....Page.....31
Locus.....1.....Spit.....1..... Locus.....1.....Spit.....2..... Feature/s.....

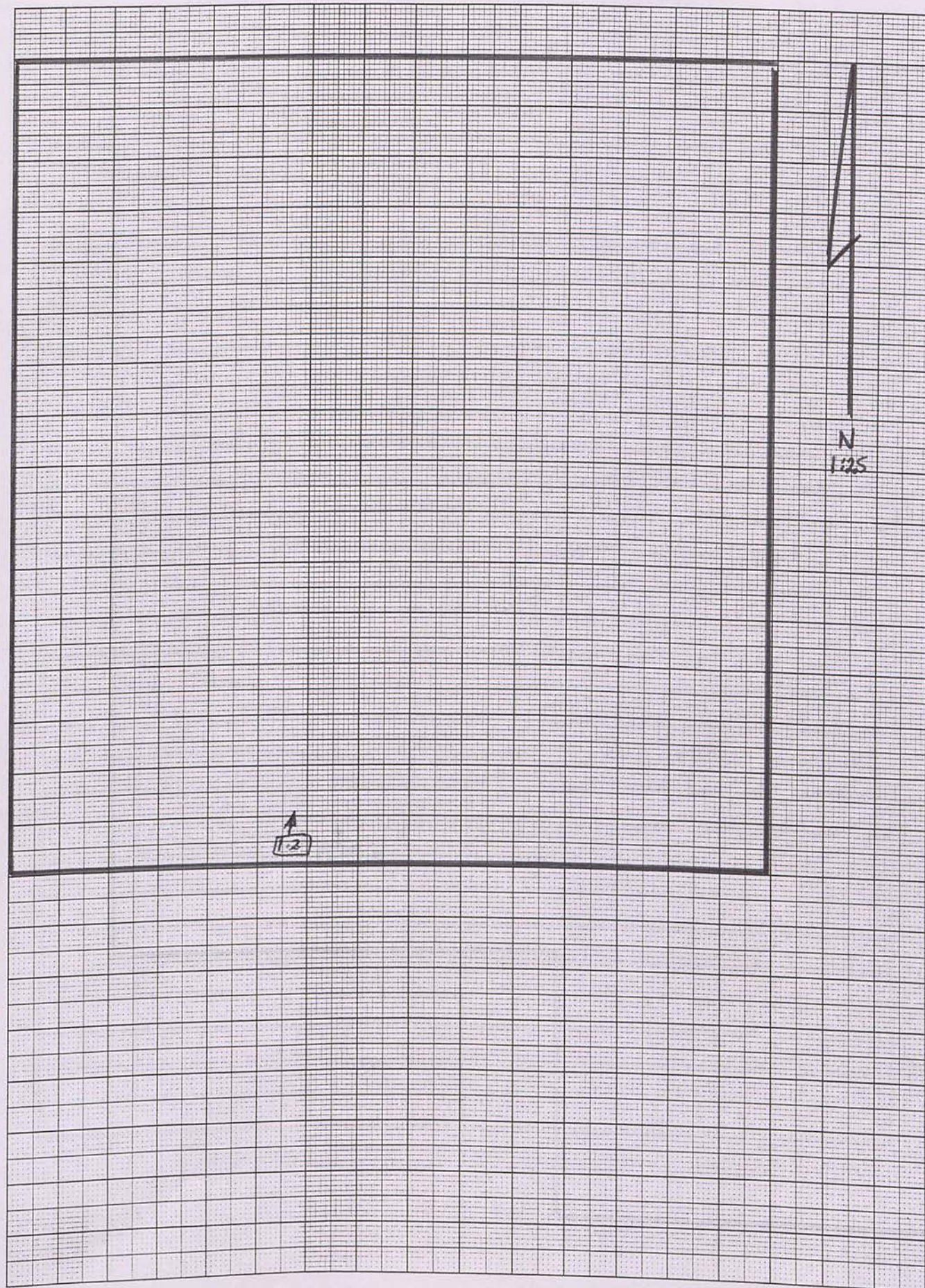
	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery			
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.	HJ. 3-35		

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Report

1.1	Continuing topsoil
7:30am	Clearing back for photo.
1.2	Clearing, tumbler
8:45am	Have made an executive decision to extend the trench to the W, until we meet what was excavated in 57/1. Hopefully we can clarify what was happening here.
	See over page for new plan. $\Rightarrow$ Will also call it a new trench because we now have the surface reached in 57/1 to work from towards the middle.

1mm Squares





1mm Squares



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Feature/s.....

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Report

2:1 Working W to E.
Huge slabs of stone in the N, forming a step-like feature/double wall (?) abutting a second wall behind it.
Will try to define etc. before any assumptions are made.
The workers believe/hope there is a wall running N/S, continuing from 76/9, but there is what looks like a corner in the north of the latter trench running E, so maybe not

Trench.....58/7.....Initials..J.B.....Date 9/5/02 Page 33

Locus.....2.....Spit.....1..... Locus.....3.....Spit.....1..... Feature/s.....

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

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
(3)	folded paper sheet	2/1	62 SS2
(4)	Class rtr	2/1	62 SS3

Context Report

2.1 There are a lot of large stones coming out of the tumble, some of them shaped and suggesting that they came from along the huge stone slabs.

One piece has two remaining shaped stones, sides and a fairly large divel - possibly for a post hole??

X1 

X2 50x43x20 

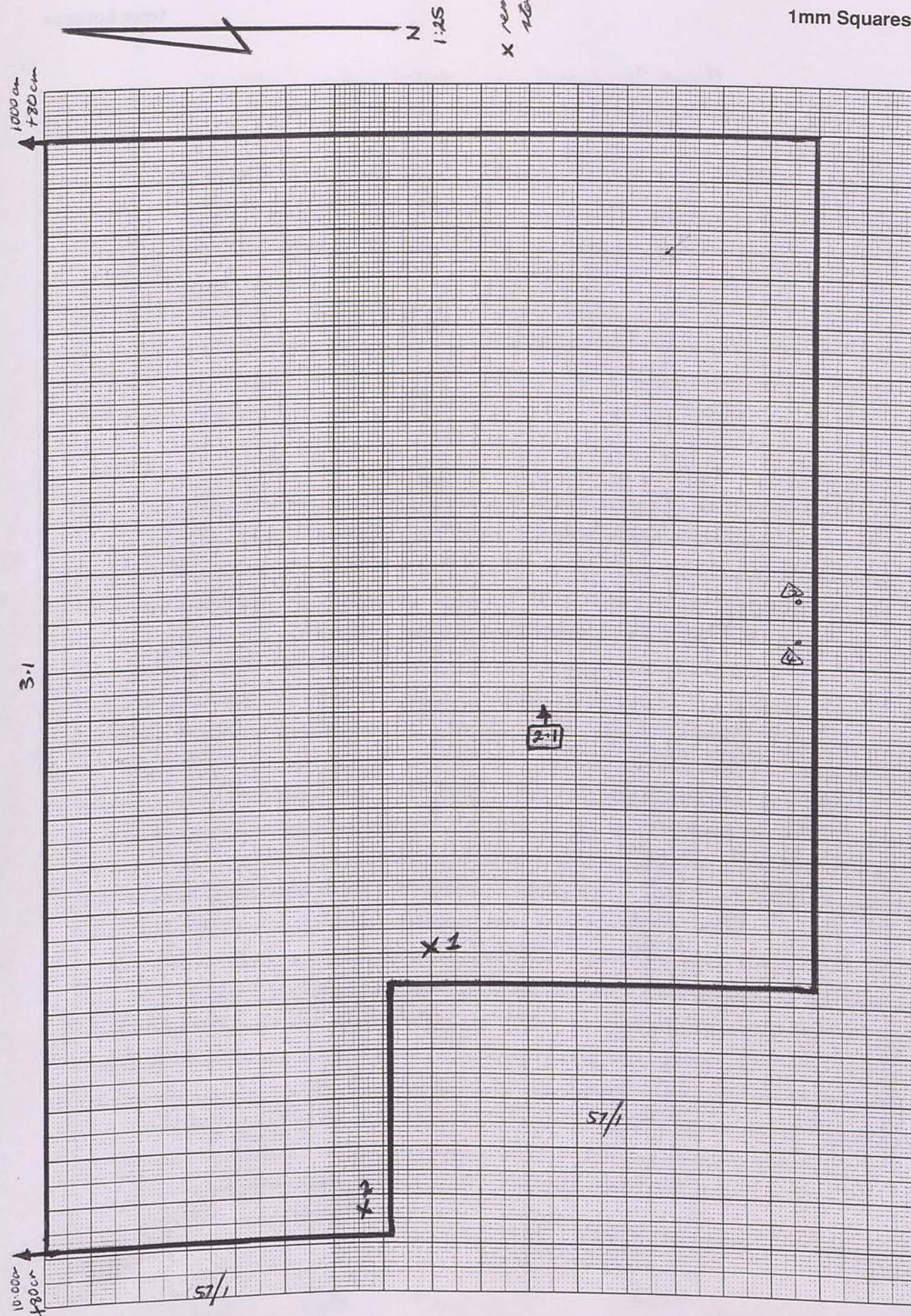
Will extend the entire Northern side of the trench ~100 cm to the N in order to see how far the N wall goes along. Later.

Lots of pottery coming from 2.1 → we are going to the same surface reached in 57/ at the bottom of the dervestone in the W.

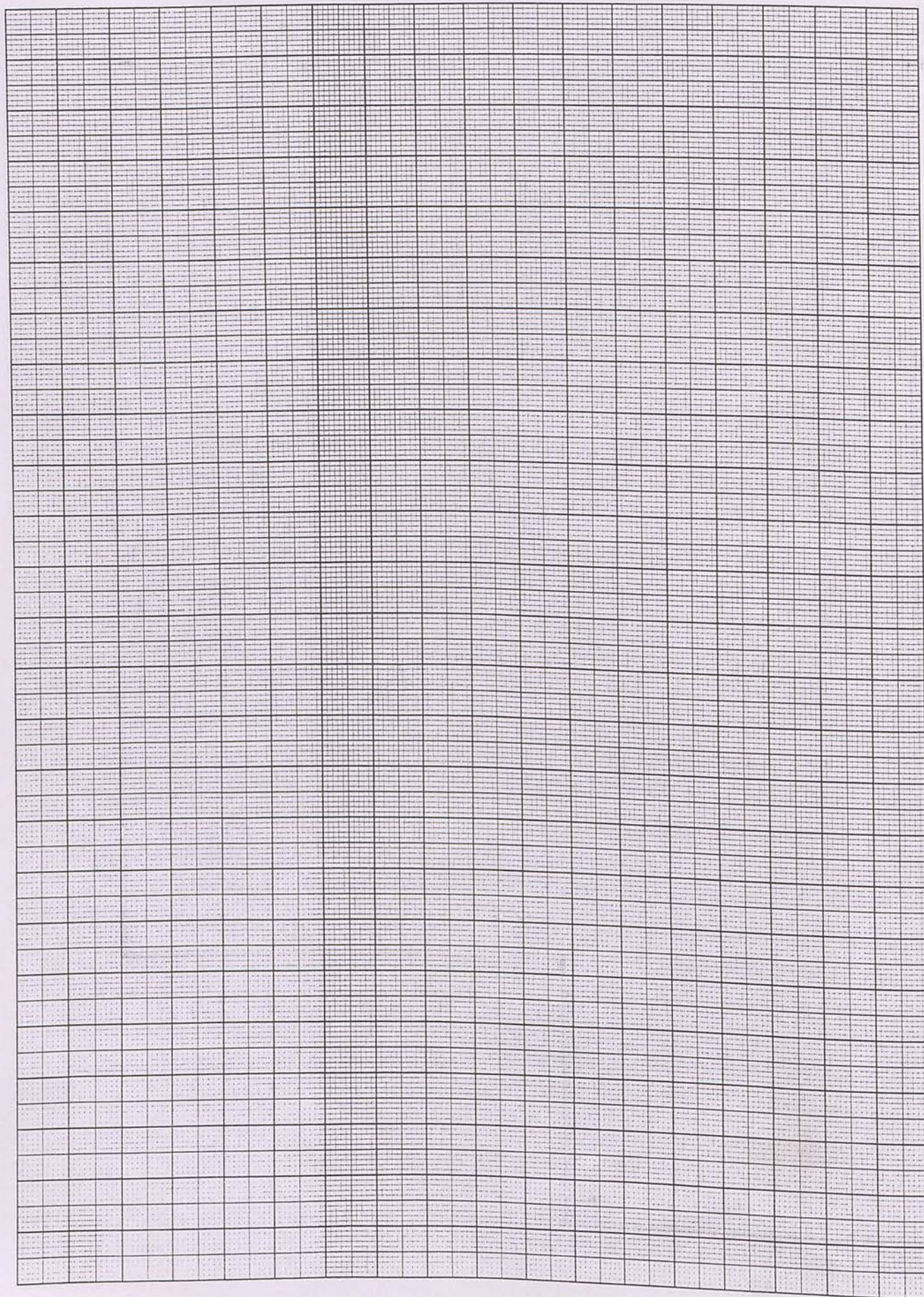
③ folded bronze sheet ~40cm down

④ Glass - OB rim + int. groove ~45cm down

1mm Squares



1mm Squares



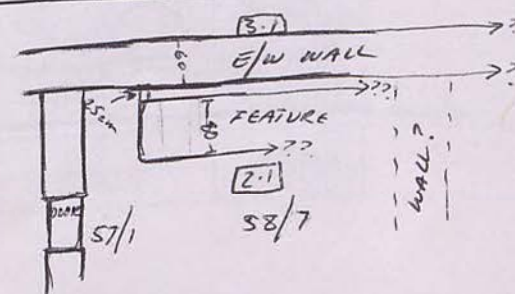
Trench.....Initials.....Date..... Page³⁴
 Locus.....Spit..... Locus.....Spit..... Feature/s.....

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

No.	Object	Cont	Cont

Context Report

2.1	The soil making up the surface or just above it is beautifully fine, soft and a rich light brown - possibly will go across the entire trench at this level, then possibly go down ^{in the} half to bedrock - but much later.
3.1	N of trench ^{→ +80cm N} following E/W wall to the 10:00m E to see how far it goes. At this stage it looks as though the feature made up of large flat slabs (60x80cm each) is abutting the E-W wall, but with a ~25cm gap between them. Still trying to figure out how far each one goes and whether the N/S 'wall' really is one. Will draw it up when measurements are more clear.



Trench.....52/7.....Initials...J.B.....Date 11/5/02 Page 35
 Locus...2.....Spit...1..... Locus.....Spit..... Feature/s...A.....

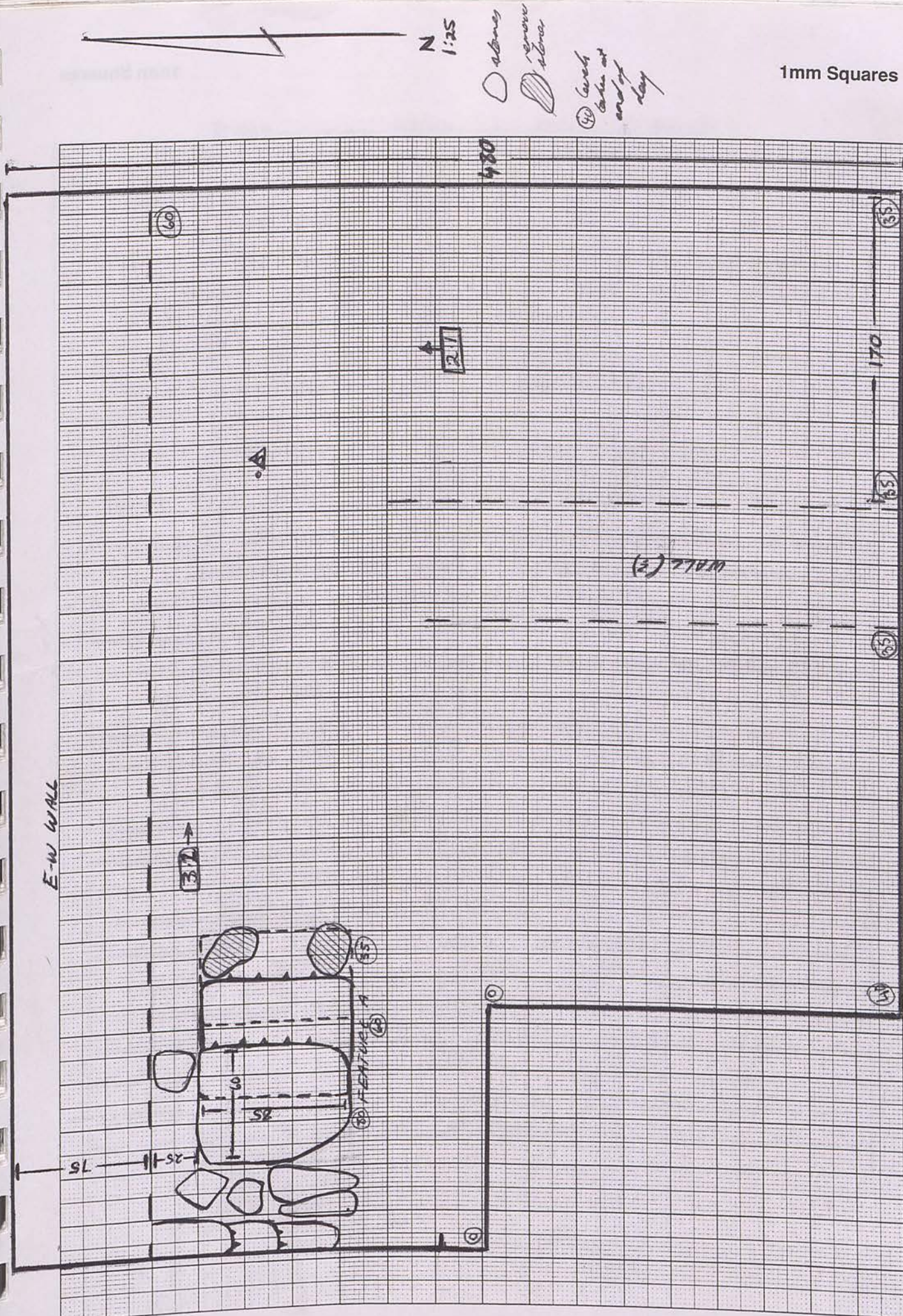
	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	2 1	2.1	3.2
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
5	Clamp frag	2.1	02.544

Context

Report

2.1	Back to 2.1 - working in a northerly direction starting in the SE. 5 Camp frag ~ 40cm down from top of wall (2)
	At this stage the E-W wall seems to continue to the E, but will have to excavate further into it in order to really be sure. After that, feature A will have to be examined further.
	Also, am still not sure about the authenticity of wall N/S.
10:00	The E-W wall continues.
10:30	Have cleared the E-W wall in the N/E
3.2	Am now defining feature A and the E-W wall. Taking stones from the top, which can be a bit worrying, but ensure as to which other course to take at this stage in order to figure out what is going on here.



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

Report

There is a lot of soil under the rocks we are clearing above and to the E of section A, so this makes me feel better. I think we will take away everything E of section A, unless something comes up.

Trench 58/7 Initials LC for JB Date 12/5/02 Page 37
 Locus.....Spit..... Locus.....Spit..... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery			
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw	BW 9:32, 33		
Photos col.	HJ 3:19		

CS 5: 28-31

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
6	Iron blade?	3.3	02.507
7	Stone pounder	4.1	02.508
8	bronze pin	3.3	

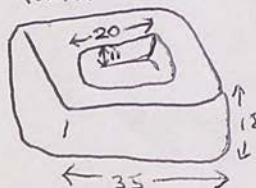
Context

Report

- 3.3 Continuing clearance of area east of feature A. Feature A is possibly stairs?
 Iron blade frag found at depth of c. 42 cm from northern baulk.
 Large and small tumble coming out of 3.3. Soil light brown, fair amount of limestone chips. N-S wall exposed this morning still does not look like a wall. Newly exposed section of E-W wall has what appears to be two doorstones protruding. If they belong to a door between bottom step and visible line in wall, the door was very narrow. B/w line a stairs is 94 cm. One doorstone is c. 24 cm wide, the other c. 20. Maybe they came from above?
 4.1 Starting at south to remove imaginary N-S wall. Tumble has been left to depth of 40 cm, varying b/w 60-96 cm width. Photographed from north prior to removal.
 Quern found at floor level abutting S. blk under 4.1
 Stone pounder found at same level as quern base c. 70 cm from S. blk. Entire wall removed - nothing to indicate it was anything but tumble. Lots of pottery.

8 bronze pin found 13/5/02 during sweeping for ϕ . At floor level.

QUERN



ϕ FINAL 13/5/02:
 BW: 9:32-33
 CS: 5:28-31

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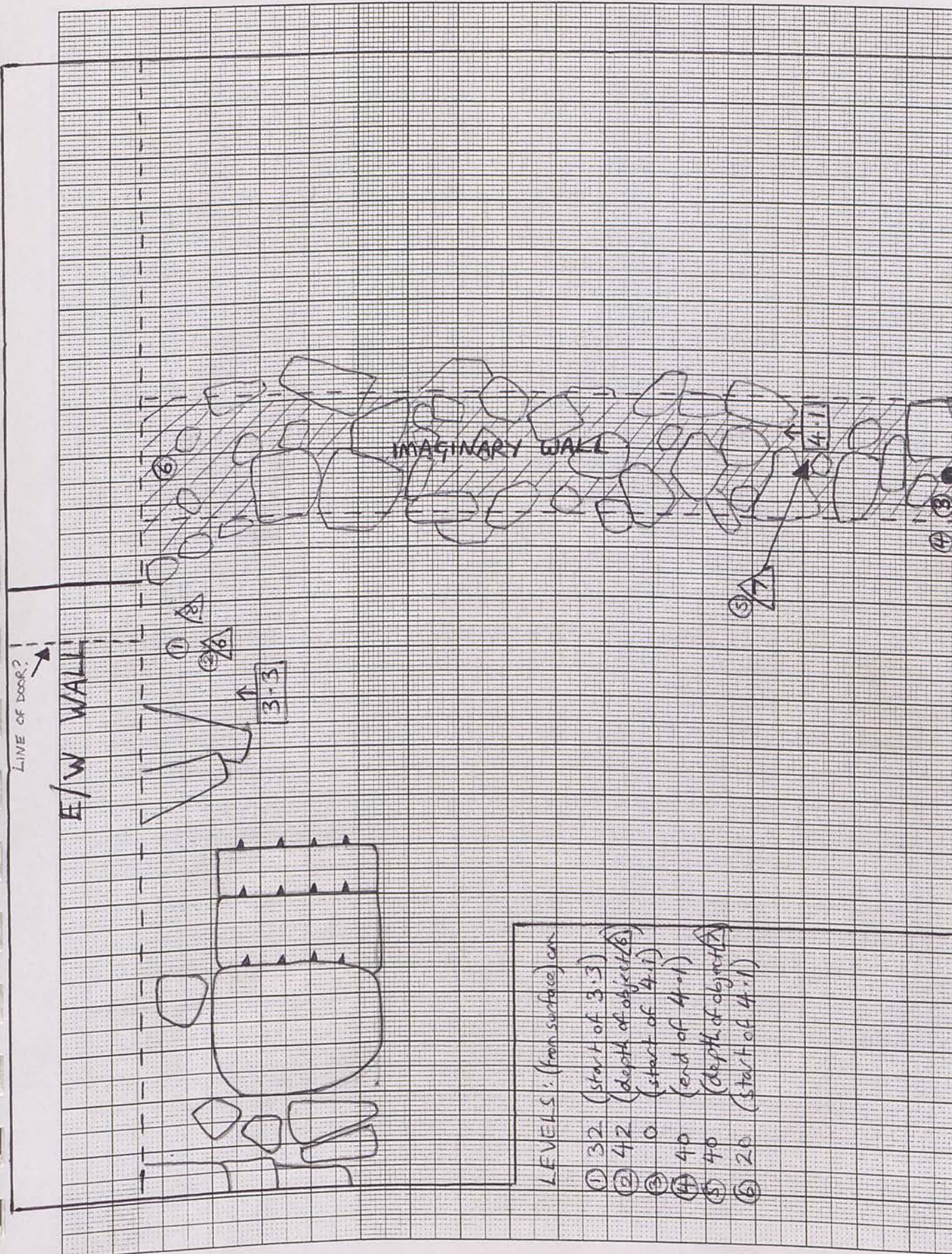


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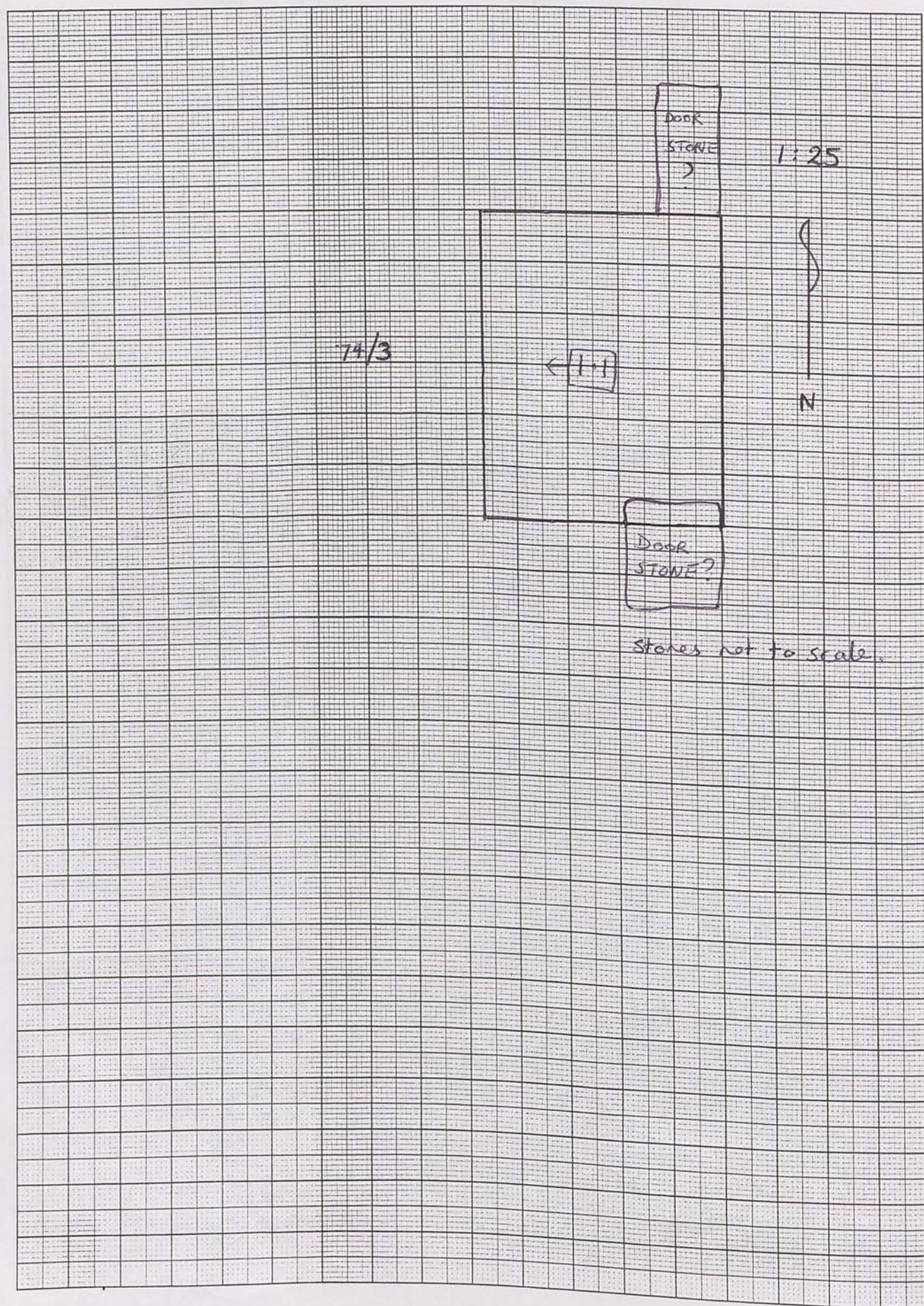
location of quern

loose packed light brown dirt

1mm Squares



1mm Squares



Trench.....74/3 east bank Initials.....LCG:TB Date.....R/5/02 Page.....38
Locus.....1 Spit.....1 Locus..... Spit..... Feature/s.....

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

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Trench 74/3 east balk Initials LCF JB Date 13/5 Page 39
 Locus 1.1 Spit 1.1 Locus 1.1 Spit 1.1 Feature/s 1.1

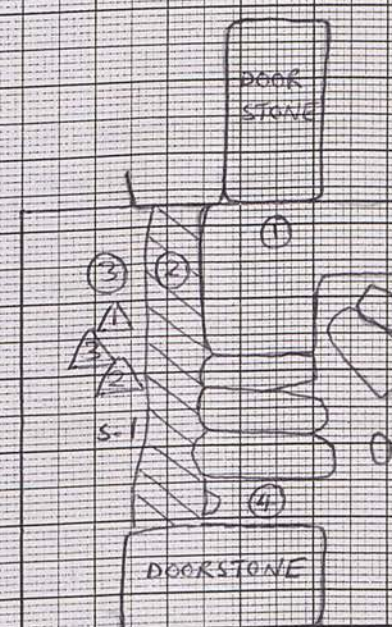
	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	1	1.1	
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
1	bronze pin	1.1	02.523
2	iron hook	1.1	02.520
3	iron nail frag	1.1	02.521
s.1	soil	1.1	

Context

Report

1.1	Continuing to take down doorway in balk.
	Very large tumble, but does not appear to be deliberate blocking. Very little pottery.
1	Bronze pin found close to bottom of balk.
	Line of apparently deliberate blocking set back from main doorstones - not flush with wall
2	Iron hook found at bottom of door at depth of 106.
3	Iron nail frag found at bottom of door at same depth as 2
	Deliberate blocking of three distinct, neat courses of largish stones rests on cut jebel.
	Survives to 75 cm depth in north, but only 51 cm in south.
s.1	Sample of ashy soil taken at bottom.
	Would like to have split into two spits, but Yahzi whipped all the tumble out before I could get it sorted out! Don't think it matters - only objects of potential stratigraphical significance are associated with lowest floor level.



LEVELS: (below surface) cm

- ① 25 (top of door blocking)
- ② 95 (cut jebel)
- ③ 106 (floor level & depth of objects 1, 2, 3)
- ④ 50 (blocking at south end)

□ - cut jebel.

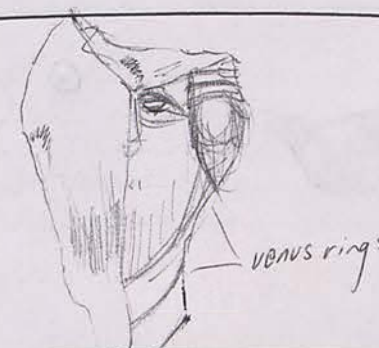
	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	1	1.1	
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.	H.T. #39		

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Report

Context	
1-1	Clearing topsoil - 4x4 trench Grey, rainy, windy day
	① fig frag - centre of trench, in topsoil
	Work halted ~10:00am due to rain.

⚠
HANNIBAL LECTURE
THE FIG. FRAG. →



Trench...57/2.....Initials...J.B.....Date...15/5/92 Page...41
 Locus...1.....Spit...2..... Locus.....Spit..... Feature/s.....

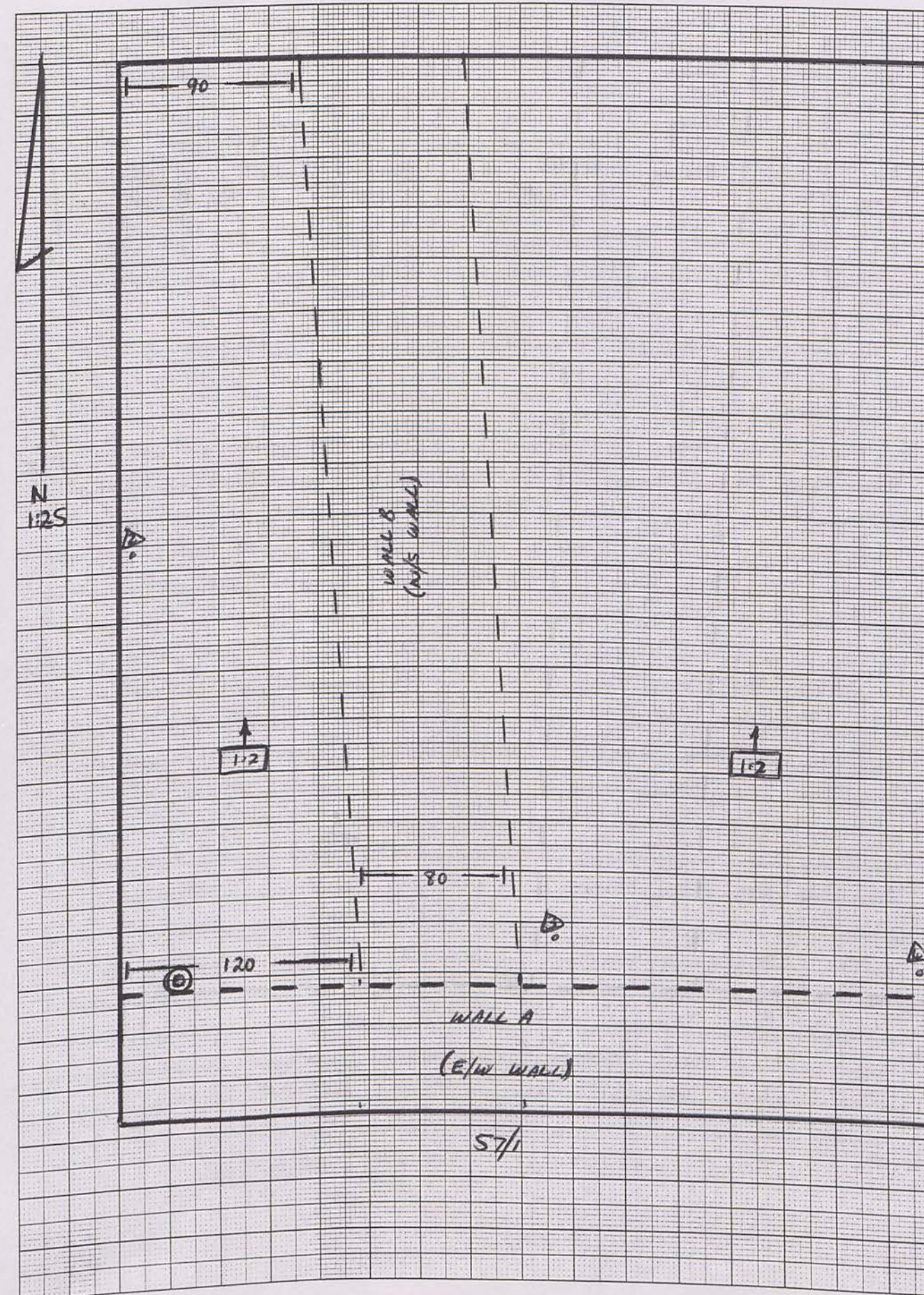
	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery			
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
(2)	Camp frag	1.2	02.570
(3)	bronze coin	1.2	02.567
(4)	coin	1.2	02.561

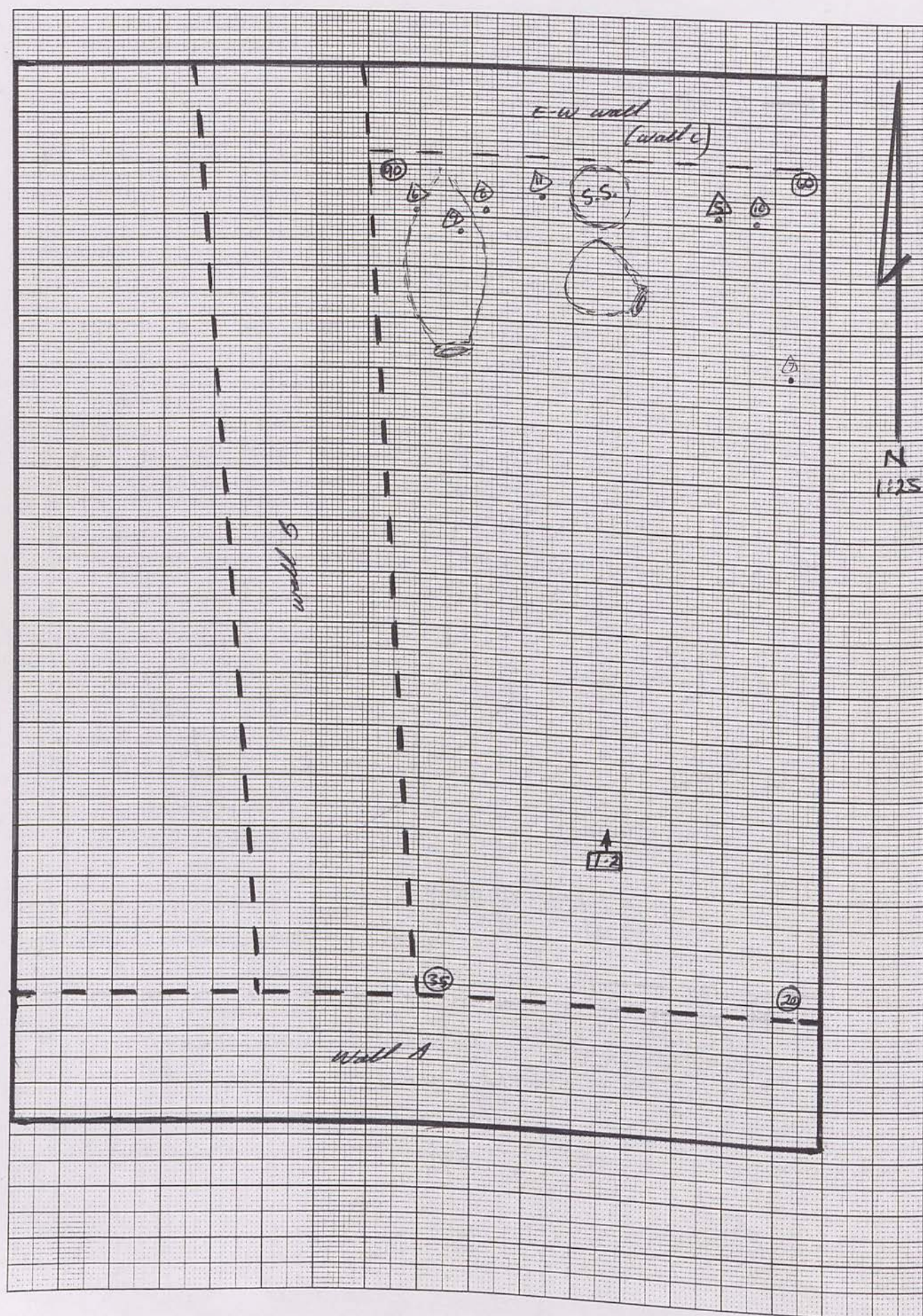
Context

Report

1-2	Fine new day. Ground surprisingly dry after last night's torrential rain in Abu Gal-Gal. Have extended slightly to the S in order to meet the E-W wall of 57/1 A N/S wall is appearing which matches that of 57/1.
7:30.	The N/S wall does not match up well with that of 57/1 after all, but more excavation is needed to find out how it abuts wall A.
(2)	Camp frag ~ 20cm below w. bank.
(3)	coin - bronze ~ 20cm down
	Small battered grinding stone found ~ 20cm from the surface by the S wall. (4)
(4)	coin ~ 30cm down



1mm Squares



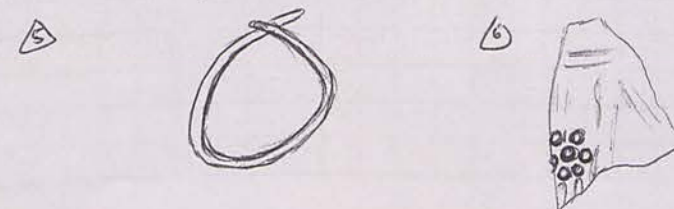
Trench.....57/2.....Initials.....J.B.....Date.....16/5/02 Page....42
Locus.....1.....Spit?..... Locus.....Spit..... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	1	1-2	
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.	H.T. #3, 6 & 5		

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
5	curved loop of metal	1-2	02-586
6	large frag	1-2	02-574
7	bead	1-2	02-587
8	quill wheel	1-2	02-603
9	button	1-2	02-604
10	copper frag	1-2	02-589
11	glass frag	1-2	

Context Report

1-2	Continuing Tumble clearing.
	Another E-W wall seems to be appearing in the N, making this room quite small comparatively.
	5 curved loop of metal - 40cm dia
	6 large frag - same dia
	7 bead - 50cm dia - spotted by 'eagle-eye' Sara
	8 quill wheel
	The soil of course has the usual tumble in it, but it is beginning to be much softer and for fine - 80cm down
	9 button - 80cm
	10 frag. of copper - 90cm
	11 glass frag.
	We must be nearing a floor, the objects are coming thick & fast.
	Sure enough, in the N, below wall c, 3 small pots have so far been uncovered - 2 empty, & 1 baggy button.
	Have taken a soil sample from an amph, taken a quick photo, then covered them all again.
	for Saturday.



Trench.....57/2.....Initials J.S.....Date 18/5/02 Page 43
 Locus.....1.....Spit.....2..... Locus.....2.....Spit.....1..... Feature/s.....

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

Roll 4 #37

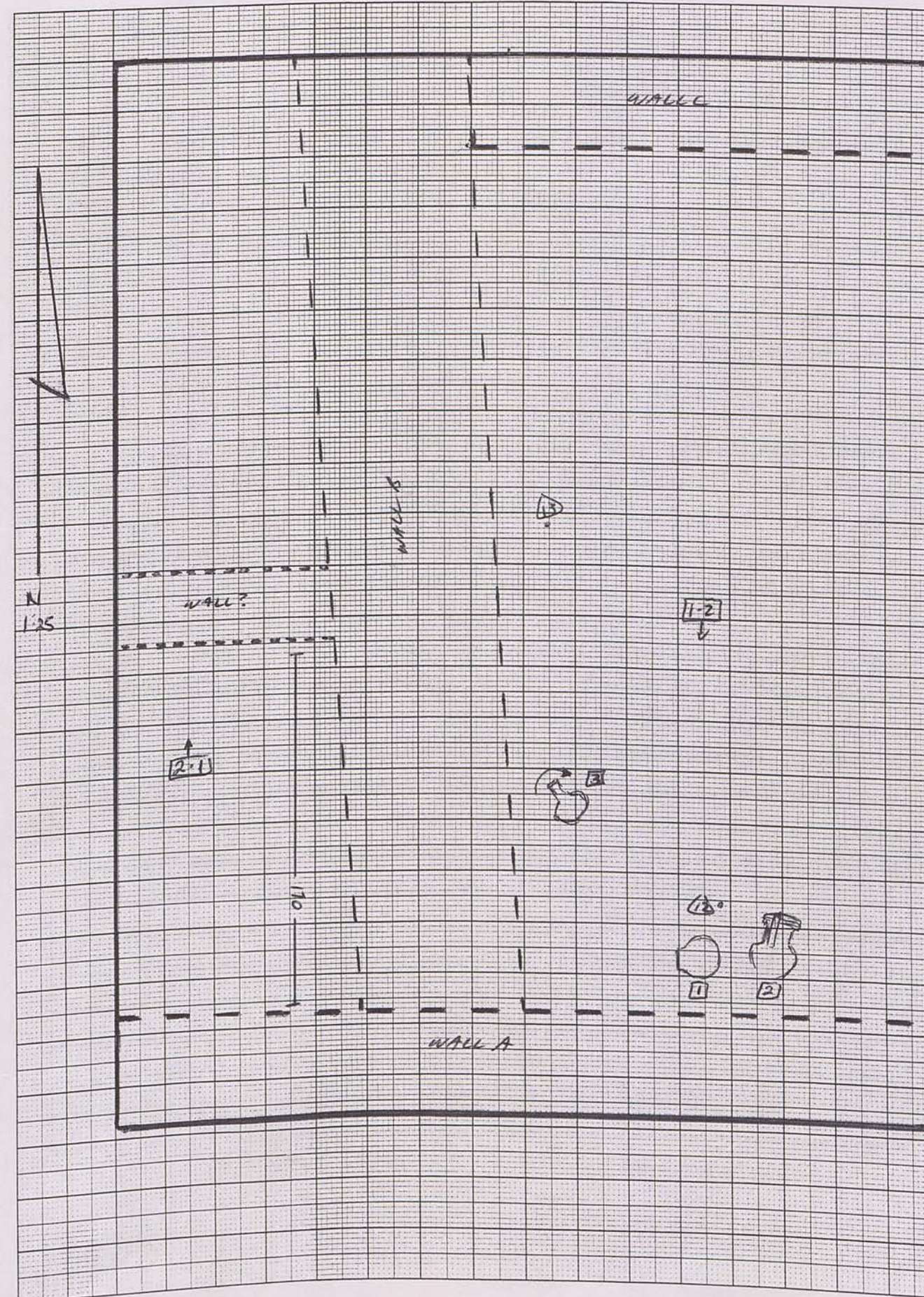
No.	Object	Cont	Cont
12	Bronze hooky thing	1-2	02-583
13	glass frag	1-2	02-580

Context

Report

1-2	Continuing the same locus, despite having gone down quite deeply in the N on Thursday. Hopefully we will be able to even it up and consolidate whatever surface the jars were on across the whole trench before beginning a new locus. 12 bronze hooky thing - ~30 cm below surface, right next to a new pot emerging HT Roll 3 #1 I think we might be onto another store room here! Soil here around the pots is very soft & crumbly. Two great pots emerging - one of a newish type with a plain rim and a squat, bulbous body & rounded base (baggy bottom). The other is a fine example of a J4. Covered up again for reexcavation later - the wind is too strong today. Another flask has emerged near the wall B. R/S drop, bottle neck & inverted base with a hole in it, no ring HT Roll 4 #37 13 glass frag
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1mm Squares



Trench.....57/2.....Initials.....J.S.....Date 19/5/02 Page 45
 Locus.....3.....Spit..... Locus..... Spit..... Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	13	3-1	
Bone	→ each just to one bag + 1 mixed bag		
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)	1 small piece on 6' rock		
Photos bw			
Photos col.	CS 7 23-30 BW 11 28-37 BW 12 1-15		

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
14	glass frags	3-1	02-616
15	loomweight	3-1	02-610

Context

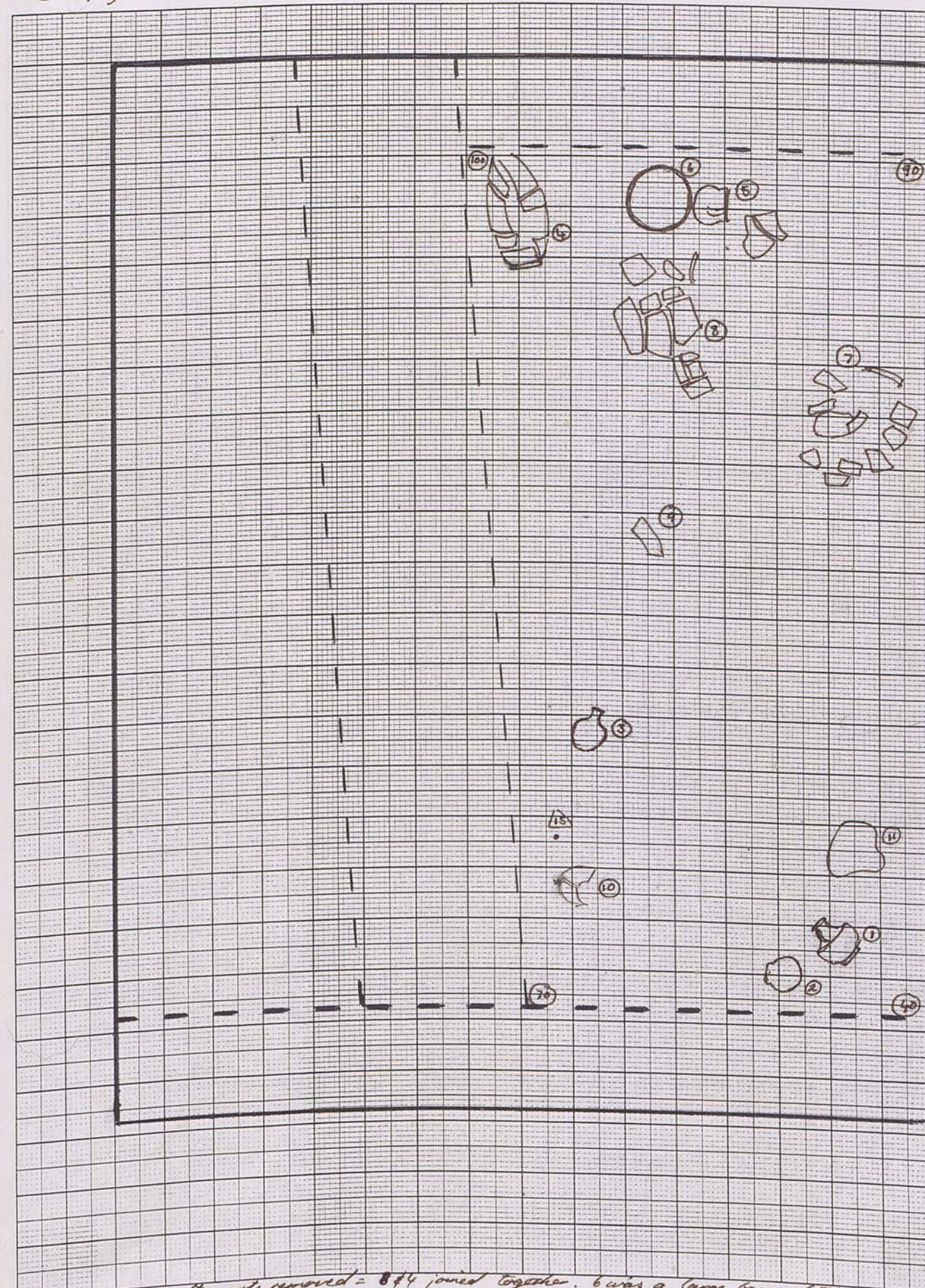
Report

3-1	Cleaning & sweeping soil from around the pots which were emerging in the E section. Because some are quite fragile, we won't go down too much further, even though more may appear later, but will have photos taken inside of what we have.
	We shouldn't get too many more pots, because job has reached, particularly in the middle.
	Will take photos, measure up, then remove the pots.
14	Under juglet #3 - 1/2 pieces of glass
	Pot #12 under amphora 4 - small burnt, tiny spout, baggy bottom.
15	loomweight - same level as pots
	The pots were all sitting on what I assume to have been a surface above the bedrock. The usual warning that bedrock is near (i.e. orange, crumbly soil) did not eventuate, so am assuming the room's primary surface was right on top of bedrock.

- 1 J4 + ring base + 1 handle
- 2 juglet: J1 rim + 1 handle + red slip drips
- 3 baggy bottom + plain rim + 2 handles
- 4 J3 rim + ring base
- 5 top jar + J3 rim

- 6 amphora base
- 7 jug + 2 handles + ring base + 1/2 drip
- 8 J3 rim + string handle. base(?)

1mm Squares



* Later theory, after pots removed = 8 & 4 joined together. 6 was a large baggy bottom. 8 looks to have been the top, which was sheared off when something fell on it. - Saved for reconstruction.

Trench... 57/2 Initials... J.B. Date... 20/5/02 Page... 46
 Locus... 3 Spit... 2 Locus... 2 Spit... 2 Feature/s.....

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	1	32	
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

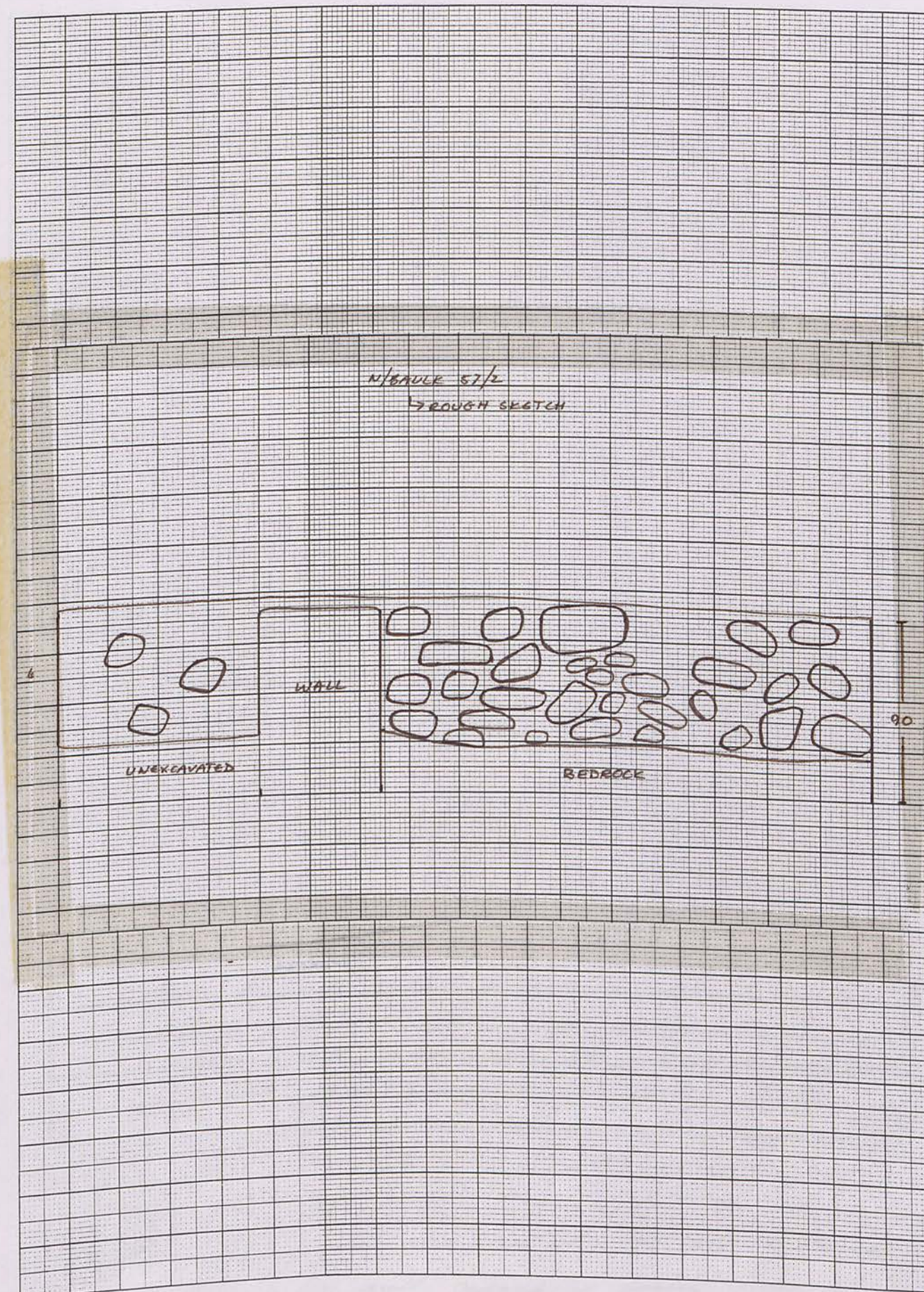
No.	Object	Cont	Cont
⑬	glass frags	3-2	02-661
⑭	spindle whorl	2-2	02-697

Context Report

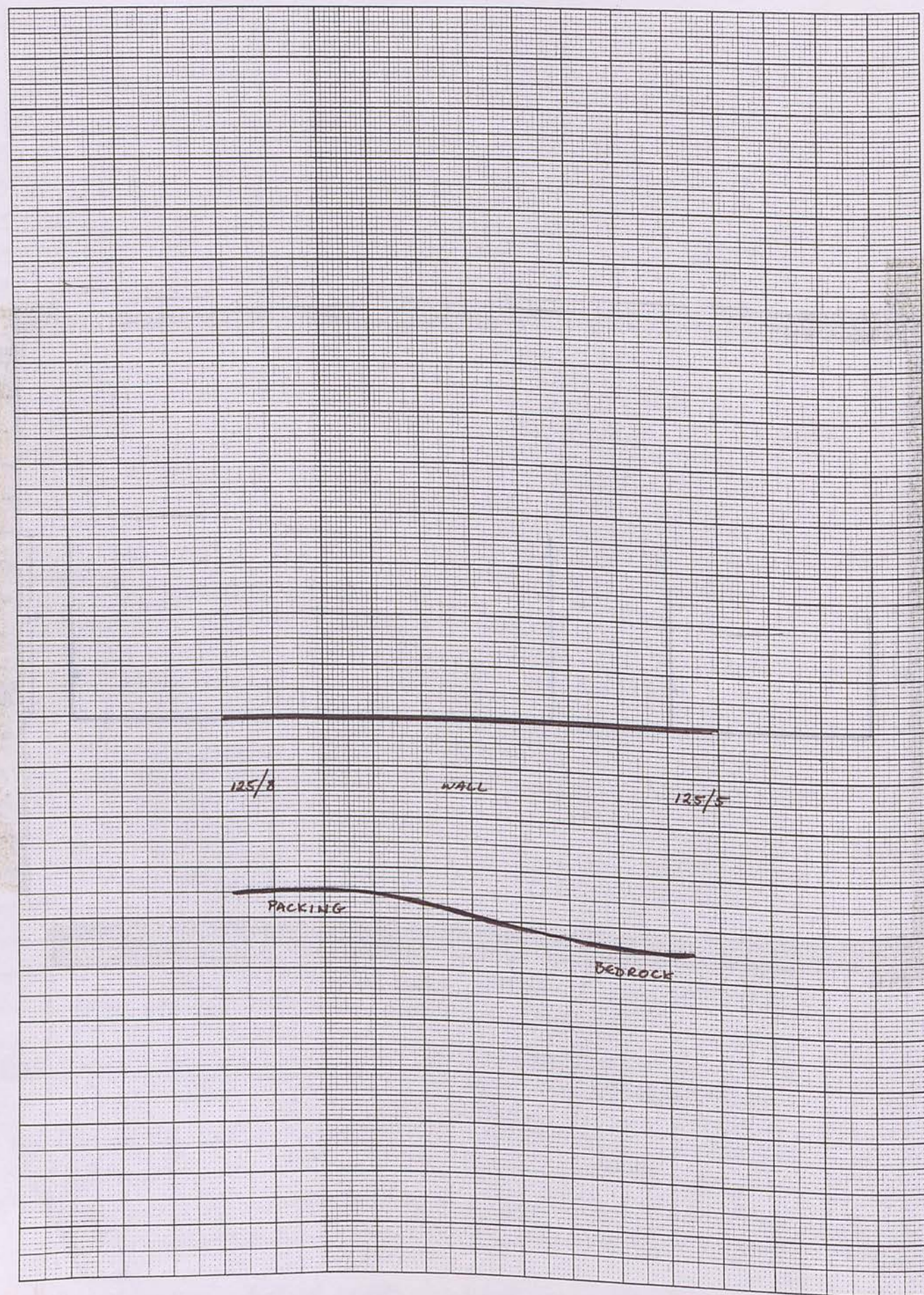
3-2	Quickly clearing to bedrock here in the E section of the trench, as well as clearing down the walls. Will not take long. The bedrock in the N section of the trench has been cut quite deeply to form a shelf upon which a wall has been laid. H.T. has, however, expressed doubt that it is a wall, but I still believe there may be one, even though it is a bit shabby. Admittedly, the N side is nicer than the E. ⑬ Glass frags found in same place as yesterday. Fatouma has just expressed her doubt about the wall as well.
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Once the tumble was removed, the soil was lovely, soft & crumbly, light brown. The wall (?) running E-W through the W section seems to have been a wall, although a very thin one.

11:00- Bedrock has been reached - a bit higher than in the E and a lot higher than the S. The only thing I can think of is that they packed the bedrock with the fine, soft soil which was around the pots in order to even it up. There is no evidence in the trench except for fewer stones perhaps to indicate a floor. The bedrock is even only in the N, in the S quite uneven, but the pots were all over the place, at all levels.



1mm Squares



Trench.....125/5 WEST Initials.....J.R.....Date.....2/5/02 Page.....47

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

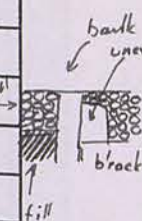
	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery			
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont

Context

Report

1.1	Trench clearing.
1.2	We are quickly clearing the n/s 'bush' here, as well as the first surface reached in the west of 125/5 in order to find out what happens to the northern E-W wall.
	On the E side, it goes down to bedrock about 7 courses down, but on the W side of the bank it only goes down 5 courses before it rests on about 1 metre of fill over bedrock. The aim is to find out what happens in the middle here.
	There is no need to save & record the pottery here, because what is here is already known. Therefore, I will just keep an eye on the objects and some of the pottery coming out in case there is something nice. -YAY!!!
	Some people would call this treasure hunting.



8:45am Well! not much treasure, but the job is done. The mystery has been solved, but the explanation is lacking. The wall curves up gently from the bedrock in the E up over the packing in the west.

Trench 100/2 WEST Initials JS Date 2/5/02 Page 48
Locus 1 Spit 1 Locus 1 Spit 2 Feature/s

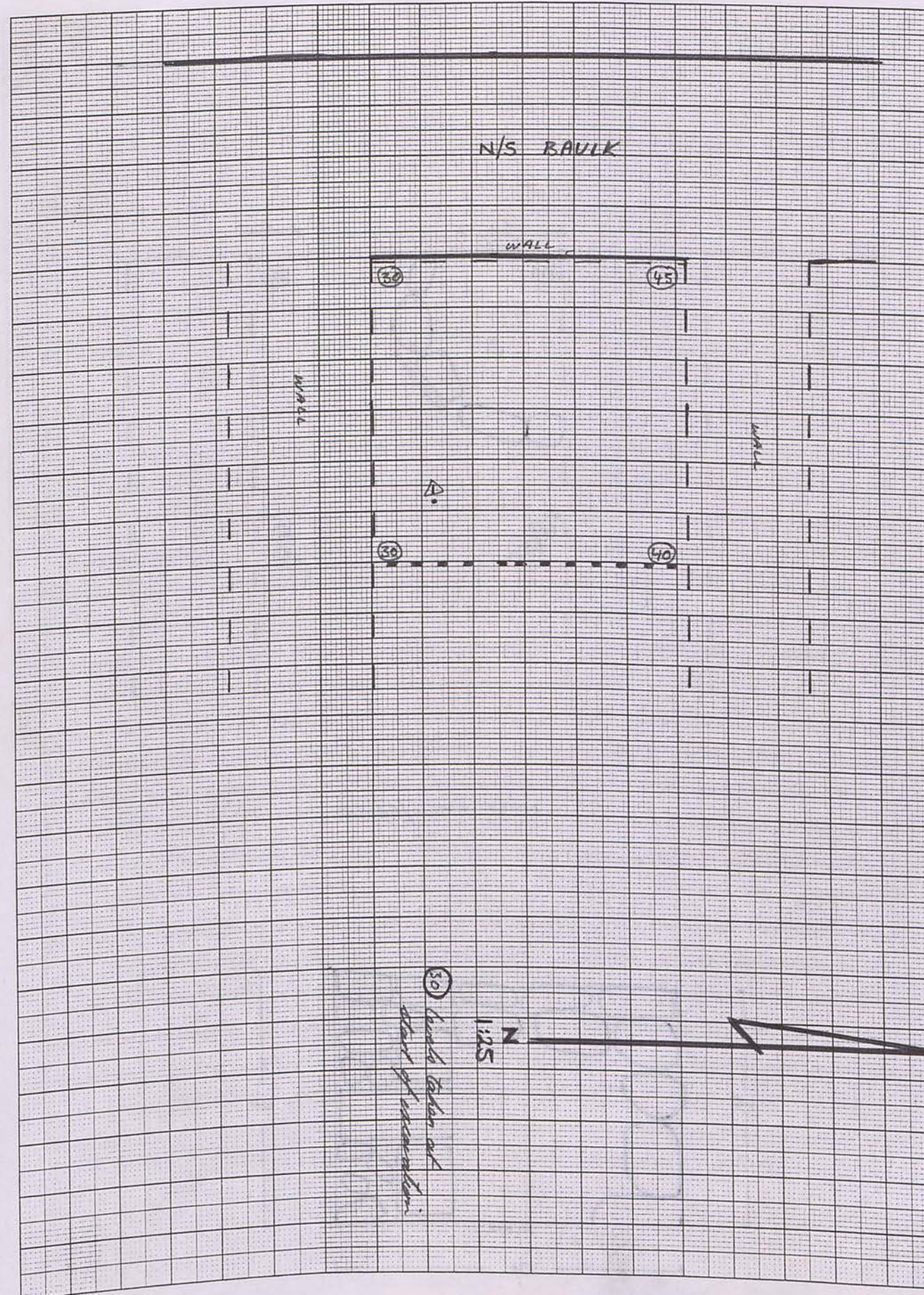
	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery			
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

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Report

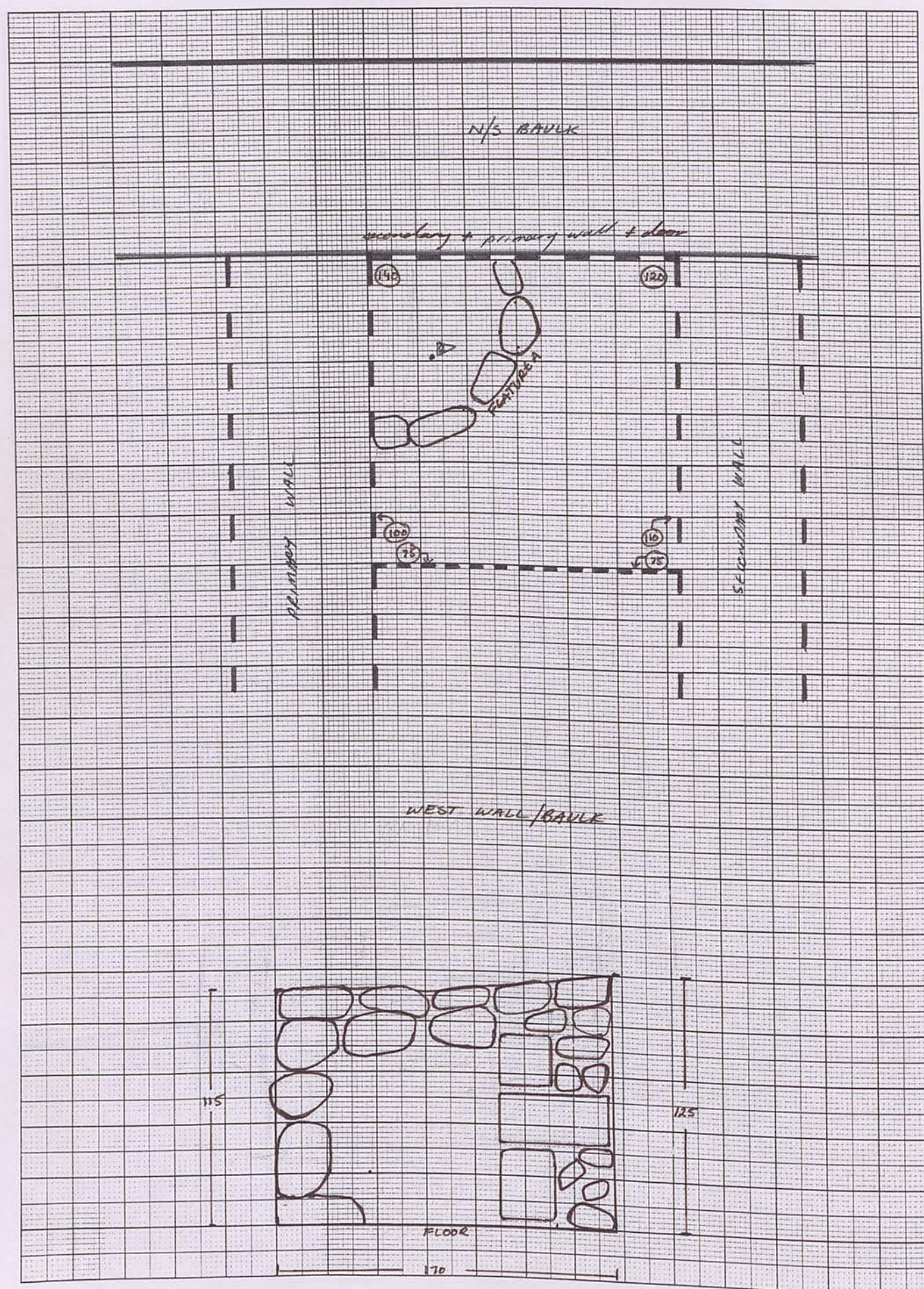
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1mm Squares



1:25

1mm Squares



Trench 100/2 S. 200m Initials J.B. Date 22/5/02 Page 49
 Locus 1 Spit 2 Locus 1 Spit 2 Feature/s

	No. of bags	Cont	Cont
Pottery	1	1.2	→ always only
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)			
Photos bw	BW 15 29 & 30		
Photos col.			

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
2	Nail	1.2	02-699

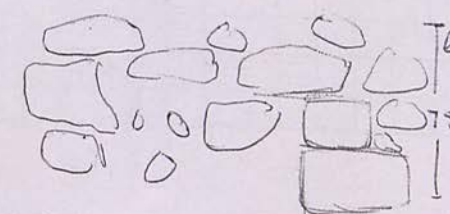
Context Report

1.2	2 nail ~ 50cm down
	The workers think they may have a door in the west wall. If it is one, it would be an older one, because it has 2 courses of stones above it. Perhaps the courses above the wall match up with the secondary northern wall. They seem to match up with the top floor found. There is no tumble here, just soft grey-brown soil. As we go down the door is becoming clearer, but it does not look as if it was deliberately blocked, so the above theory may be wrong(?) The 3rd course of door stones has now appeared along with a feature in the SW corner, consisting of stones set in a circular pattern abutting both the N/S & the E/W wall. There is a floor at the bottom of this.
	Surprising lack of pottery, generally.

→ 3 possible phases:

primary: floor, door,
 S. E/W wall
 W. N/S wall
 secondary: feature A
 tertiary: N/S wall over blocked doorway
 N. E/W wall

6:30am



#J. Role 5 # 29 100% EAST
Lg Amph in door
Trench...
Locus.....S

Trench.....*100/- Sandbag*.....Initials.....*J.B.*.....Date.....*23/5/02*.....Page.....*50*
Locus.....*1*.....Spit.....*1*.....Locus.....*2*.....Spit.....*1*.....Feature/s.....

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Pottery			
Bone			
Charcoal			
Other (Tile)	3 small pieces	2.1	
Photos bw			
Photos col.			

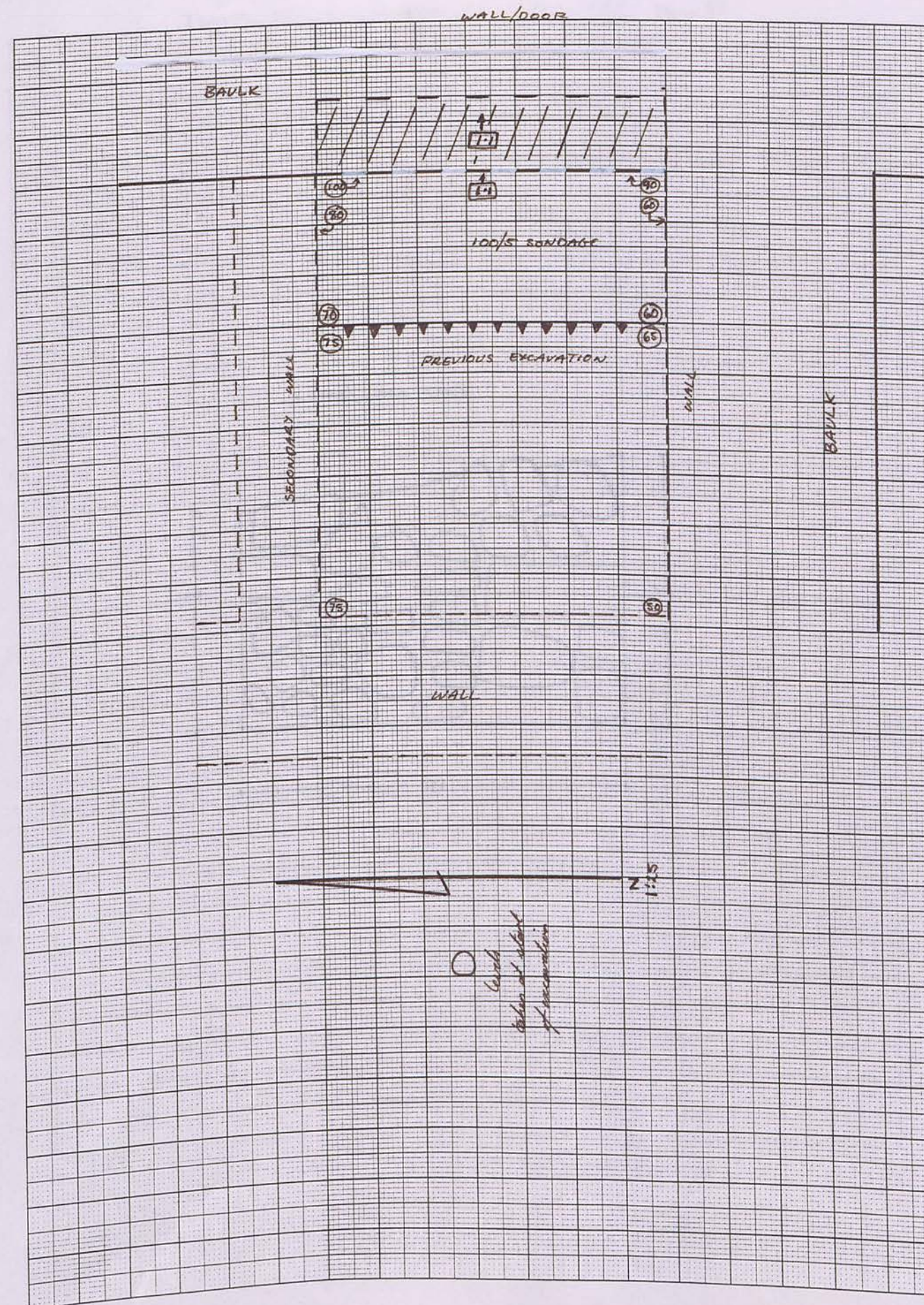
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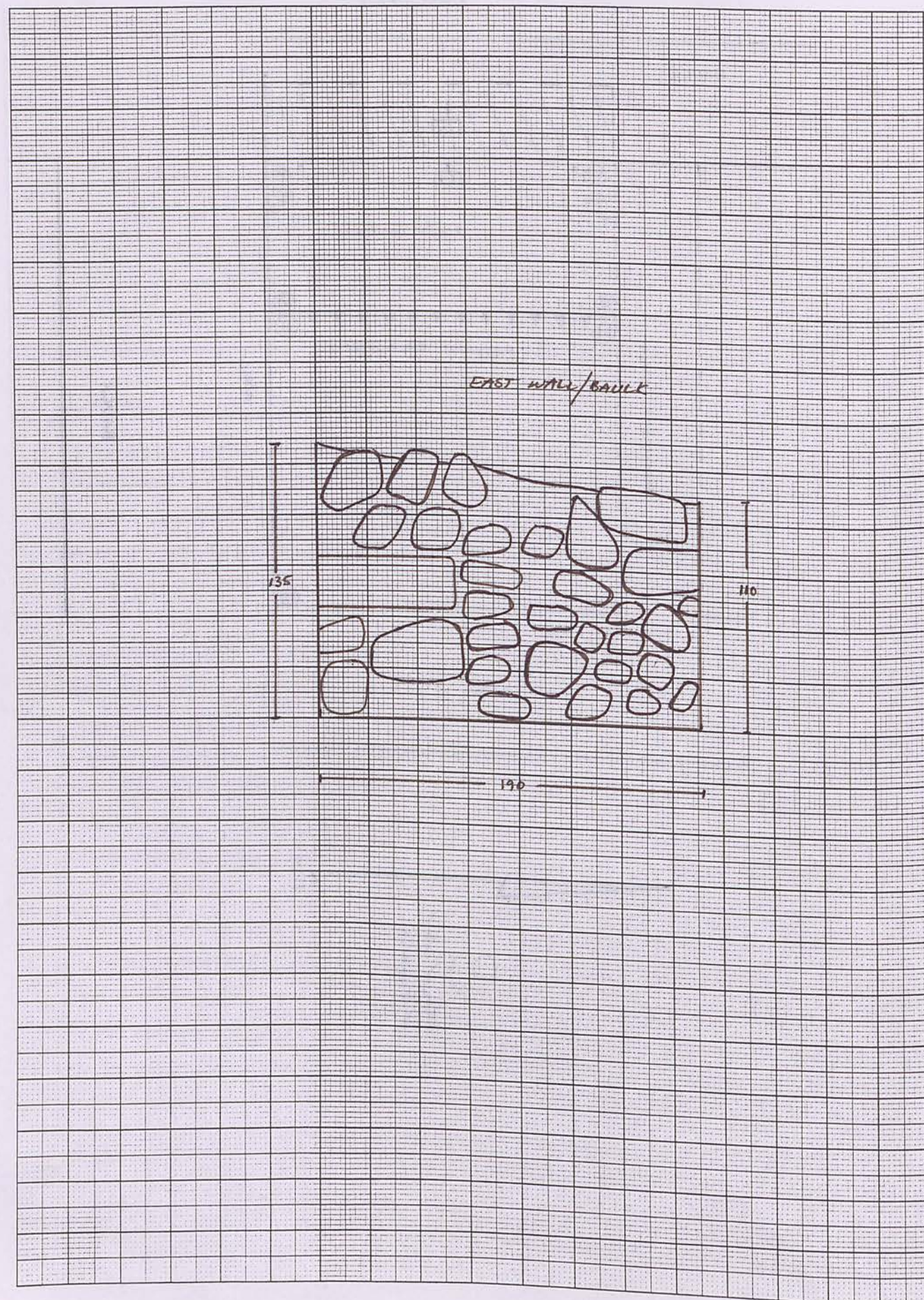
1:1 → clearing	Now that we have found a wall & a door on the E side of the trench, we will first back V.2 the W side & then back V.1 & find its other side & try to figure out what is going on.
11:15	Haroldi Allah! The doorway was deliberately blocked on this side - everything is falling into place!
2:1	2:1 will be a sandstone at the base & all these walls to bedrock. There is a bit more tumble on this side, probably due to the second-rate N. wall running E-W.

100/2 SONDAGE

1mm Squares



1mm Squares



Trench...100/5...Initials...J.B...Date...23/5/02...Page...51
Locus...2...Spit...1... Locus...3...Spit...1... Feature/s.....

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

No.	Object	Cont	Cont
①	Nail	2.1	02.698

Context Report

2.1	Finishing and cleaning Floor reached at (from top of wall)
	NE-130
	SE-110
	SW-80 from W section (Floor reached previously)
	NW-90 " " "
	-23cm
	-15cm
3.1	With material down to bedrock in the N section & leave S as an indicator of the floor ↳ bedrock reached here ~ 3.5cm later
	DOOR/WALL
	B'ROCK FLOOR
	[3.1] [2.1]
	WALL WALL
	FLOOR
	WALL

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

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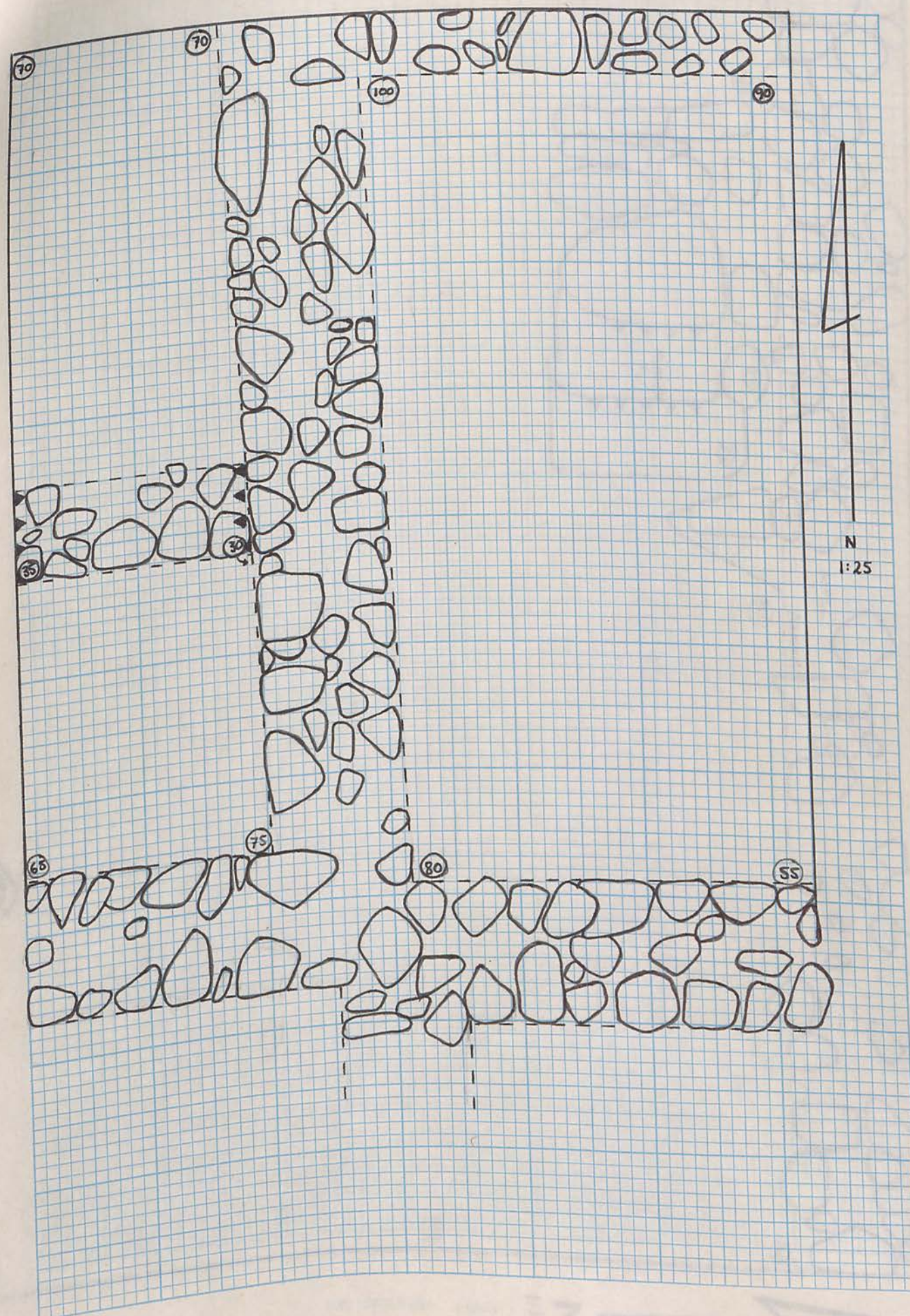
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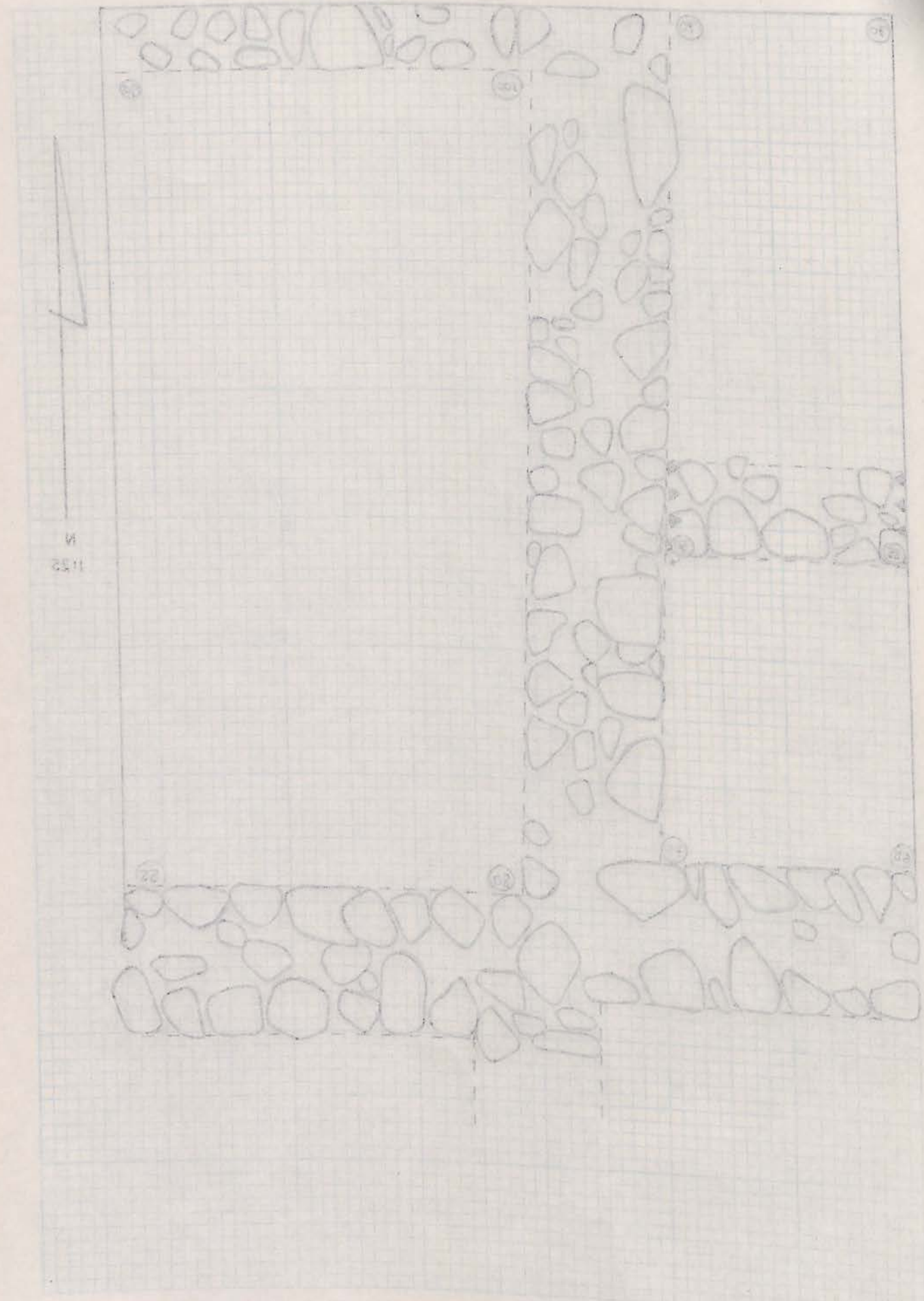
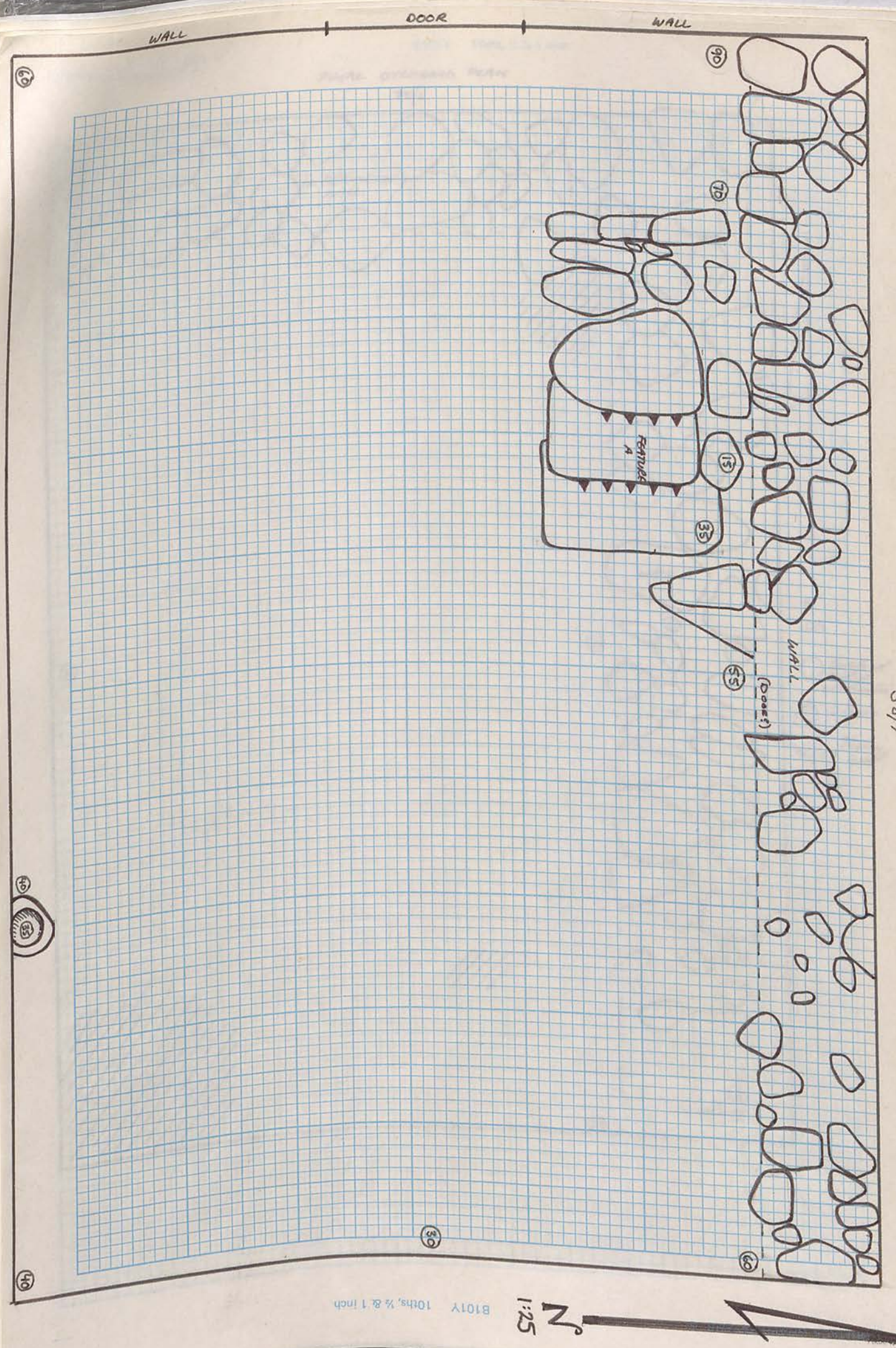
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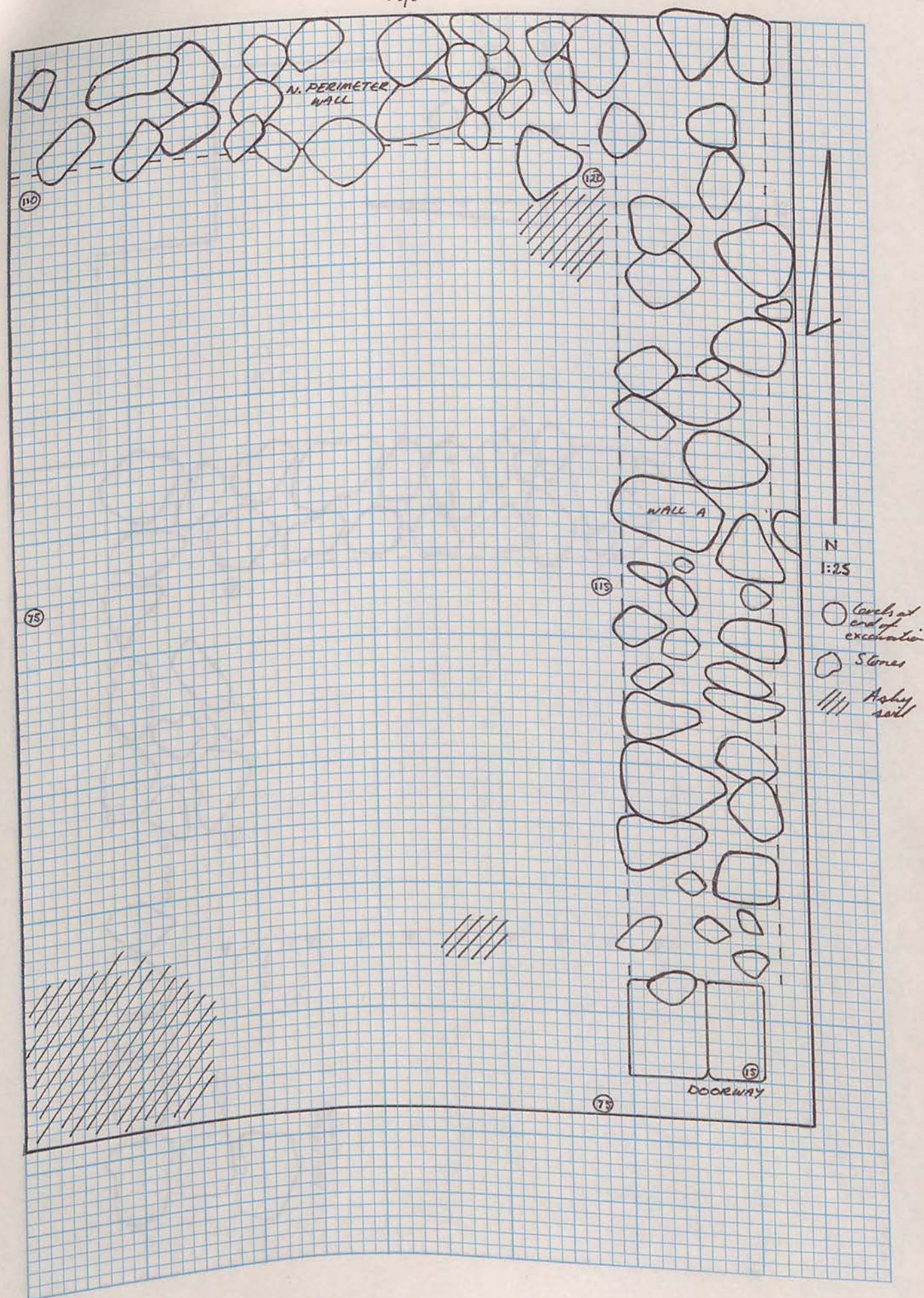
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57/2



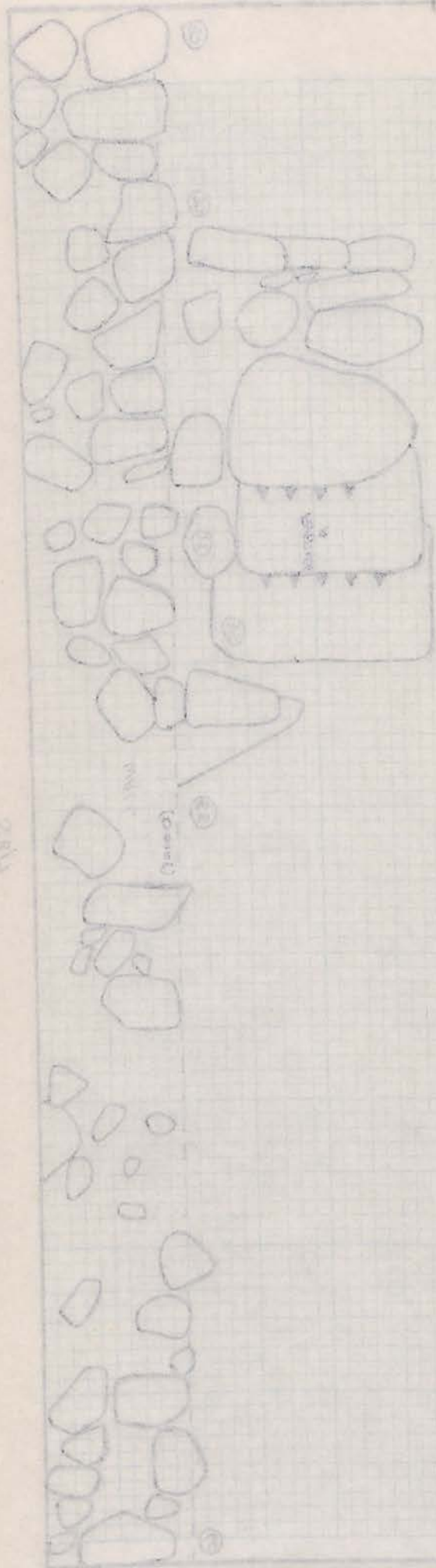
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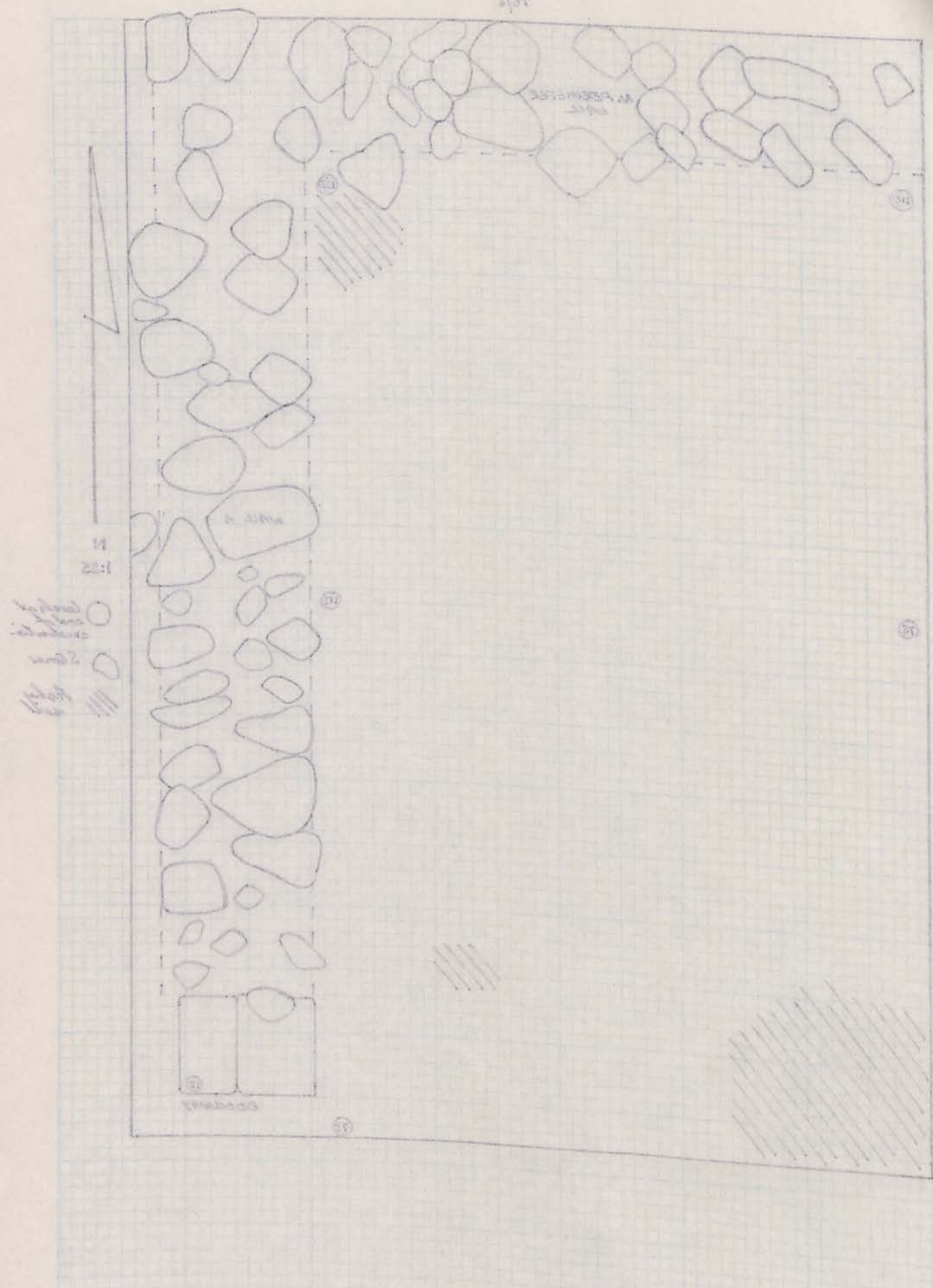


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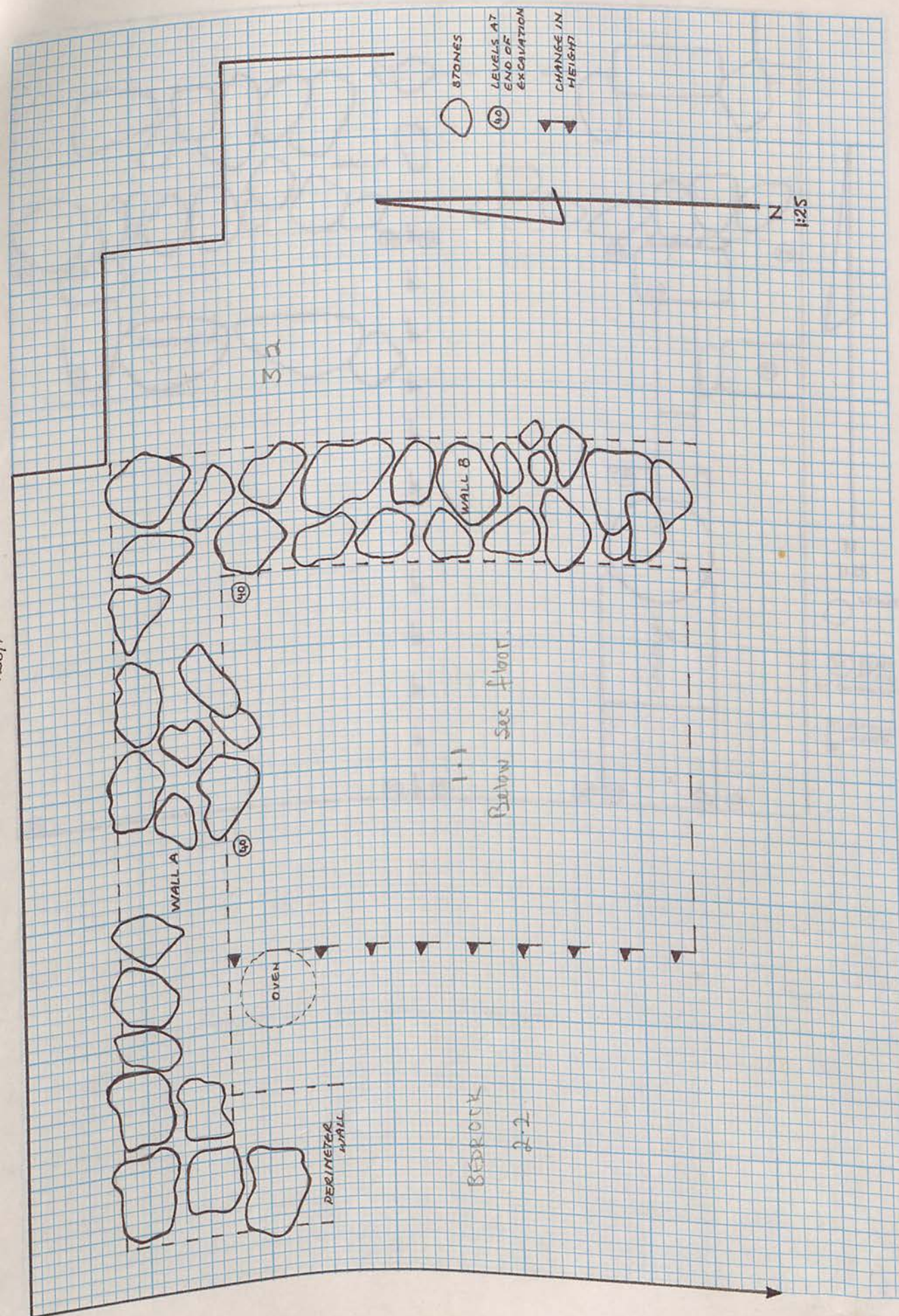


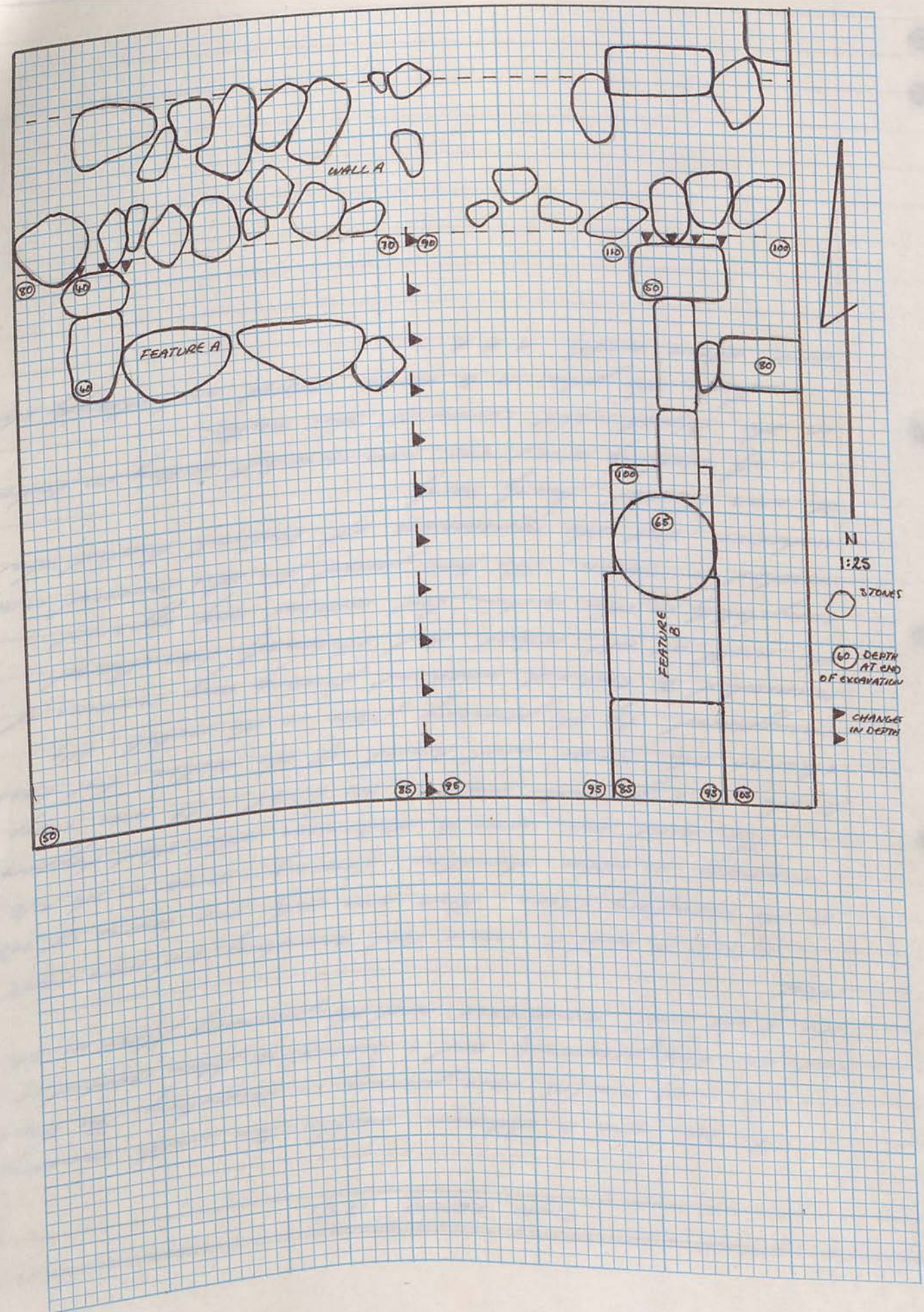
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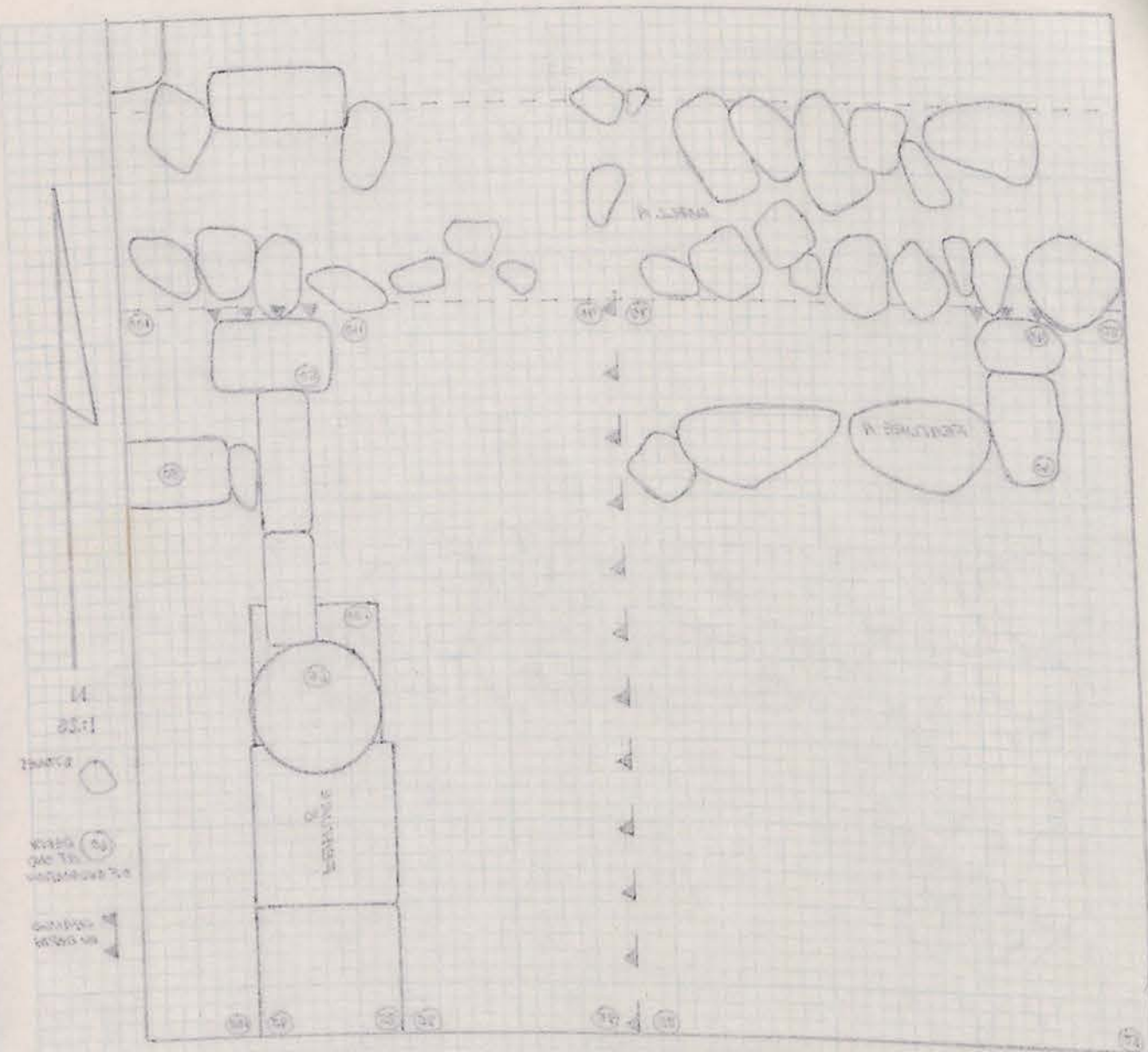




FINAL OVERHEAD PLAN
123/1







FINAL REPORT 123/1

Date

The aim was to determine whether two walls running N-S (A) and E-W (B) were primary or secondary. The trench had been dug previously and a secondary floor reached in the East and North-east and the primary floor in the West.

Walls A and B were both secondary and were built on the secondary floor. There was only one course of stones remaining in either direction, forming a corner in the N/E.

The next aim was to determine what had happened to the N-S perimeter wall in the West. It was very clear in the South and North of the section, but basically disappeared by the primary floor in the middle. We excavated to bedrock without finding any remains of the wall at all, which had obviously been cleared completely in this section, but without any apparent method or reason. The time period for this removal is also unknown, but the appearance of bedrock hinted that it was cleared fairly early.

A cooking area/oven was revealed sitting on bedrock in the North-west corner of this section.

Later, the plan is to move North and clarify the area above walls A & B.

Date

FINAL REPORT 75/6

Date

A fairly ordinary space, enclosed on the North and East sides by two solid walls. Large and open, with a lot of activity happening on the floor above bedrock, judging by large and thick patches of ashy soil. The bedrock was cut in the North in order to form a ledge upon which the E-West wall sat.

The baulk between 75/7 and 75/6 was also excavated in the S/E corner in order to clarify the doorway here, which was edged by large dressed stones and not filled later.

This trench forms part of a room/space with several phases. A primary wall (A) runs E-W in the North.

Feature B is also probably primary, although the stones were probably pilfered from another location and used to create a threshold-like feature. This was made up of large dressed slabs laid flat on the ground with a column part to the North, bordered by upright dressed stones forming a trough-like feature abutting the South face of Wall A. Several pieces of beautifully dressed triglyphs and cornices came from here.

Feature A is secondary, sitting on what appears to have been a secondary surface, although still having a lot of tumble underneath. A lot of activity appears to have taken place in this secondary phase, evidenced by several pits and a large ashly patch in the South-western corner.

