Pail 33 L3
under Pail 33
below 13.02
Type of soil:
pottery contents: nothing distinct, pot NR: 4728
other: stone pestle hole, shells
inventoried: C1325 bowl fragment

Pail 34 L3 (4 pails)
under Pail 28
below 13.24 in NW corner at wall 37
Type of soil:
pottery contents: uniform Mt. 1/20
other: triton shell
inventoried: C1417 drain pipe at P23
C1418 - jar
C1419 - rhyton
C1419 - straight sided cup
C1420 - bowl
C1503 - cooking pot
C1457 - ostrich egg rhyton
Monday 17 July

Today we are continuing to excavate around the isolated Room Q in Trench 22A2. We change to Pail 35 in the SW part of this trench after completing a 16 pass coinciding with the thinnest course of wall 34 r including a small area of the chipped stone layer not excavated last year. See p. 17.

Pail 35 L 3
under Pail 33
below
type of soil
pottery contents: uniform MV II/III, period 2
other:

temporary

Room P & some of its features are photographed in B&W, color, 7 Polaroid
4 Room Q & is photographed from the NE (p. 54, 55).
Now we begin to excavate inside the S half of Room Q for a 30 pass.

Pail 36 L 3
under Pail 26
below
type of soil
pottery contents: L3EIA-B
other
inventoried

After the first 16 pass, we make another 07 pass in from Q & change to Pail 37

Pail 37 L 3
under Pail 36
below
type of soil
pottery contents: L17 I-III
other
inventoried
The inner face of Wall 38 in Room Q does not seem to go down any further although the S N walls do. We change to Wall 39 for the next 07 parts.

Wall 38 L3
under Wall 37
below
- type of soil
- pottery contents: L175, need not be at the L125
- other
- inventoried

At the bottom of the layer for Wall 38 inside Room Q a wall has appeared running N S. It is clearly photographed in E S W N Polaroid, S drawn. The stones, which had fallen into the entrance of this room from Wall 38 at the S forming a straight line with the inner face of this wall, have been removed and a few sheets collected in bags separately to be part of pair 26. The new wall under Room Q is Wall 40.
Tuesday 18 July

In the NW ¼ of Trench 22A.2 we start Pilot 39 along what seems the third course of Wall 39.

Pilot 39 L3 (10 pails)
under Pilot 34
below 13.05 in NW corner
Type of soil: many sherds & small stones
pottery contents: mixed M/M, L/M, L/MII, L/MIIA sherd

other: stone tool, bone, triton shell
inventoried. See opposite page.

In the NE ¼ of Trench 22A.2 we start Pilot 40. A ramp c. 60 wide along the NW scarp is being left in place temporarily. There are markedly fewer sherds here the stones are much larger than in the NW ¼.

Pilot 40 L3
under Pilot 34
below 12.88
Type of soil:
pottery contents: mixed M/M, L/M, L/MII, L/MIIA sherd
other: stone tool
inventoried

To remove the 60 wide ramp along the NW we change to Pilot 41. This ramp crosses a new W-E wall which has been confirmed with the pass to Pilot 40. This new Wall 41 may be the same wall as Wall 4 under Pilot 41 L3
under Pilot
below
Type of soil
pottery contents: mostly M/M
other
inventoried
In Room P in Trench 22A1 we have removed the basin embedded in the floor under the S island (see Fig. 43) of the cup embedded in the floor of the E cubicle. The cup's foot was found to have rested on the convex part of a large, coarse sherd which was left in place.

In 1977 in Trench 17A a large, coarse pot was found apparently within the N wall of Room L (see NB 17, p. 214 with photograph on p. 24). This vessel is possibly an amphora (NB 17, p. 25, end of season report for Trench 17A, p. 3; Heptapa 37 (1978), p. 126). It now appears that wall 39 rests on the period of ware run no further W than the niche in its S side (see Plan on p. 34) so that therefore this amphora may also be considered as part of the floor deposit of Room P to the N of Room L. The sherds from this vessel have been removed from Trench 23, Part 9, and identified by John McEnery, who excavated them last year, to be catalogued. In our examination of the sherds from Trench 23, Part 9, the floor deposit, several large fragments of a basin, similar in type to that mentioned above, were noticed. The jar/amphora is C1088.

We also removed the intact cistern. Only 1 ft was preserved, in the SE part of its cubicle, so it rested on a few centimetres of earth. For this cistern to have been used safely, it would have to have rested on something, perhaps one of the reasons it had been placed in this cubicle was that its bottom could be rested partly on earth held in place. This vessel was not leaning against any of the upright stone slabs. Inside this earth-filled vessel were a few sherds, a stone tool, only at the very bottom many green insects, as though they had drowned 9 weeks to the bottom. Some of the insects & earth at the bottom have been collected for later analysis.

The presence of the hearths on the platform with the cubicle built onto it has suggested activities concerning the making of string cheese. In contemporary Cretan cheese-making establishments large round-bottomed kranes are placed on hearths of 3 upright slabs like the stone cubicles at Room P. After the heating, the cheese is...
removed & the remaining liquid is used to make mishti. 

With one of the workers, it is remembered that before the advent of modern refrigeration, mishtas used to be stored through the summer by being squeezed into a hemispherical vessel placed up to its mouth, over which leaves were placed. This vessel is then turned upside down & placed on a flat stone which c.15 below the level of earth is pressed up around it up to about half its height. By pouring water over the upturned batter, the cheese is kept cool from May until November.

Room Q is a small room apparently not attached to any other structure. Its N & W walls are built over well 40 x 4 against a fill of rubble while its S & E walls were free-standing. It does not seem to have had a used thin but perhaps merely a surface at the level of the threshold. The large rectangular block beside the threshold preserves some depressions on at least two sides & a geologist, John Gilford, believes that nearly all of these depressions are man-made. An elaborate gate might have been provided to pen animals inside but a determination of the function of this room should await the clearing of similar dated buildings in the area to understand how Room Q related to normal houses. It measures 1.50 N-S x 1.40 E-W.
Wednesday 19 July

In Trench 22A2 the NW ¼ is the area between wall 29 & the new N-S Wall 44. N-W of Room Q. The NE ¼ of this trench was 40 runs from the W side of the new N-S wall to the E side of the trench. We start Trench 42 for another pass in the NE & E of the E side of the new N-S wall.

Trench 42 L3
under Trench 42
below 12.74
Type of soil:
Pottery contents: All TM, pieces of a hearth
Other:
Inventoried: C 1209 - dish

With the pass for Trench 42, from a level at the top of the slabs on the E side of the N-S wall, we see that the slabs in the S part of this wall are fallen over in their edge. We change to Trench 43 for the next pass here.

Trench 43 L3 (4 parts)
under Trench 42
below 12.60
Type of soil:
Pottery contents: MME III
Other:
Inventoried: C 1231 - rectangular cup; C 1232 - jar; C 1233 lid; C 1234 - deep semicircular cup; C 1235 - jar; C 1236 - pillbox

With the pass 43 we have come down upon what may be an E-W wall running into the N-S wall at its N end. Trench 43 required 4 pulls with most of the sherds coming from the N of the trench. We change to Trench 44.

Trench 44 L3
under Trench 43
below 12.50
Type of soil:
Pottery contents: MME III
Other:
Inventoried:
In the SW 1/4 of Trench 3342 we begin Pit 45

Pit 45 L3
under Pit 35
below 12.67
Type of soil:
pottery contents: wildfat, MII, post-Ramess.
other
inventoried.

With the pass for Pit 45, part of the stratified earth N of Wall 34 left standing for a width of c.30 S of Trench 3341 was removed & partly fell into Space H. For the level corresponding with Pit 45 in the SW 1/4, we start Pit 46 in the NW.

Pit 46 L3 (3 piles)
under Pit 39
below 12.875 in NW corner
Type of soil:
pottery contents: post-Ramess., with western
other: orange soil
inventoried: C1420 straight-sided cup, C1421 con.
cup, C1422 con. cup (14728/92), C1459 open-mouthed jar.

What at first appeared to be an E-W wall running into Wall 41 now seems to be only more stubs fallen from Wall 41. The area between Walls 39 & 41, which are parallel, is Space R. The area in the N of this Trench, E of Wall 41 & N of Room Q is Space S.

Pit 46 inventoried objects:
C1420 - straight-sided cup
C1421 - con. cup
C1422 - con. cup (14728/92)
C1489 - open-mouthed jar
C1501 - cooking pot H
C1503 - cooking pot H.
Thursday 20 July

In the NW 4 of Trench 22A2 we finished Pail 49, then Pail 47. Pail 46 had fewer sherds than the preceding layer in Pail 39.

Pail 47 L3 (2 poils)
under Pail 46
below 12.75 in NW corner

Type of soil
pottery contents: post-Kamarae
others: bone
inventoried: C1785: cooking tray
C1756: straight-sided cup

Inside Room Q in Tr 22A2 we began to remove in layers the floor level? remaining in the N half.

Pail 48 L3
under Pail 26
below

Type of soil
pottery contents: post-Kamarae 9 L45E tray
others: soil sample
inventoried

In Room Q after making a 0.474 collecting a soil sample for nitrogen analysis, we change to Pail 49.

Pail 49 L
under Pail 48
below

Type of soil
pottery contents: post-Kamarae, 2 L1973 sherds
others: soil sample
inventoried

The pass for Pail 49 is 0.44 deep, being at the level of the bottom of Pail 38. No distinct floor was found in this area except possibly the level at the bottom of Pail 36 in which 2 irregular slabs were lying flat.
Wall 40, which was first seen at the bottom of the pass for Pool 39 inside Room Q in Trench 22A2, is now seen to continue N-ward under Wall 37. It is probably the same wall as the NS wall SW of Wall 37 but the part of Wall 40 visible in Room Q is well preserved while the NS wall N of Wall 37 has collapsed E-ward. This wall has split apart leaving an opening along its middle and the slabs from its E face have fallen out, are almost vertical. At this time, two explanations seem possible. Either this steck at wall collapsed after Room Q was built (holding back, wall 40 from collapse) or there may be an E-W cross wall under Wall 37 (again supporting Wall 40).

In the Swt 4 we begin Pool 50.

**Pool 50 L**

- under Pool 46
- below 12:57
- type of soil
- pottery contents: uniform post-Kemarian
- other: worn, cobbled, bone
- inventoried

What large stones there are in this layer seem mostly not to extend E-ward beyond Wall 39. They may be aligned with its NS course depending upon their presence or absence in previously excavated Space H. Many small stones along the E side of this Swt's belong to the rubble behind a below Room Q. A block in Well 36 has a large (natural?) rectangular hole in its face. Several slabs lying flat are appearing along the N of the Swt 4. We begin Pool 51 for the corresponding pass in the NW 4.
In the SW ¼ we begin Pit 52

Pit 52 L3
under Pit 50
below 1243

Type of soil
Pottery contents: mostly Mycenaean; Minoan potsherds
Other
Inventoried

With this pass there are still stones along the E-W also some greenish ledge in the W part of the SW ¼.
In the NW ¼ we change to Pit 53 for the level corresponding with Pit 52.

Pit 53 L3
under Pit 51
below 12495 in NW corner
Type of soil
Pottery contents: uniform potsherds
Other: 2 bags of bones
Inventoried: C1242 bowl; C1243 shallow vessel
C1244 straight-sided cup; C1245 bridge-spouted jar
Friday 21 July

We are continuing to excavate in Trench 22A.2 around Room Q. In the SW we begin Pit 1 S 4.

Pit 54 L 3
under Pit 52
below 12.32
Type of soil
pottery contents: mixed pottery, LMIA, others
inventoried: C1257 - straight-sided cup; C1258 - LMIA lekabastos; C1241 - painted bull's car
A painted bull's car has been found 30 N of Wall 34 to 36 W of the rubble backing behind Wall 36. It is separately dropped in the NW corner. After cleaning around many large stones & slabs which first appeared in the layer for Pit 1 S 4, we begin Pit 55.

Pit 55 L 3
under Pit 53
below 12.415 in NW corner
Type of soil
pottery contents: uniform pottery, LMIA, others: green jug, caldron, shells, broken
inventoried: C1250 - cup; C1257 - jug; C1253 - jug

At the bottom of the pass for Pits 54 & 55 there are several islands of slabs & large stones left in place during the pass for Pit 57. The largest concentration of these fallen stones is at the NW corner of Room Q, but apparently below the level of the rubble on which Room Q is built. There are not nearly as many stones along the S part of Wall 36 where the bull's car was found. After cleaning Trench 22A.2 is photographed from NW, E, S in B+W color. Polaroid (exp 76, 74, 75). Afterwards most of the large stones & slabs are removed. the few sherds in tools extracted from around 5 under these stones are put into Pit 56.