Work begins in the morning with the digging of the burn patches which have been isolated in the trench over the past few days. Separate pails are opened for each of the three patches.

Pail 2:9 is opened for the fill of patch #1, described on pp. 26-27. The fill contains small pebbles, many limpets, and bits of burnt bone and charcoal, in the same kind of dirt and clay as the surrounding levels. There are no sherds.

**Tr 88A/2:9**
Under pail 2:7
Levels: Top 5.36 Bottom 5.08
Location: see p. 30 east, Area S
Type of Fill: dirt + clay with small stones
Pottery: none
Other: limpets, bone fragments, pebbles
Inventoried: —

Pail 2:10 is opened for the fill of patch #2, described on pp. 26-27, together with the adjacent patch found yesterday (p. 31). The fill is dark with burning throughout and consists of fairly loose soil, within the fill are found 2 sherds, charcoal, bits of bone (burnt) and several fragments of iron.

**Tr 88A/2:10**
Under pail 2:7
Levels: Top 5.08 Bottom 5.08
Location: see p. 30 north, Area S
Type of Fill: blackened loose soil
Pottery: 3 sherds, undatable
Other: bone fragments, charcoal, iron fragments
Inventoried: —
Pail 2:11 is opened for the fill of patch #3, described on pp. 26-27. The fill is dark with burning throughout and consists of fairly loose soil. Within the fill are found 1 sherd, several fragments of burnt bone, shells, and pumice.

**TR 88A/2:11**

**Under pail: 2:7**

Levels: Top 5.24, Bottom 5.11
Location: see p. 30, center, Area S
Type of Fill: blackened, loose soil
Pottery: 1 sherd, undatable
Other: bone fragments, shells, pumice

Inventoried: —

After the burn patches are excavated, we open pail 2:12 for a general pass in Area S which should expose the level upon which the fallen blocks rest. The fill has become softer and grittier, although still harder along the east side of the trench. There are many, small stone chips among the rubble and fallen blocks.

**TR 88A/2:12**

**Under pails: 2:8, 2:9, 2:10, 2:11**

Levels: NE SE NW SW
Top 5.10 5.16 5.06 5.20
Bottom 4.95 5.12 4.87 5.03

Location: Area S (see p. 38)
Type of Fill: soft brown earth with grit and stone chips; some clay and harder to E
Pottery: mostly minor (down to LMIII A2/8) but with one or two 7th-8th c. banded sherds
Other: bone fragments, rounded stones, charcoal

Inventoried: —
In order to prepare for photographing the fallen blocks tomorrow, one crew works on taking down the E-W extent of the NW baulk, so as to expose the few blocks which are embedded in it.

Work ends with the pass of ps. 2:12 still in progress.
Trench 88A

with rough drawing of fallen blocks and rubble before removal

(Levels are tops of stones)
except corners

July 6, 1993

The aim of work today is to prepare the trench for photographing of the fallen blocks that extend away from Wall 1 to the East.

The quantity and placement of the fallen blocks suggest that maybe 2 or 3 courses fell from Wall 1. From the better preserved ashlars among the fallen, one can measure the height of the courses as c. 0.44 m, which is consistent with the courses of P which still lie on Wall 1. This suggests a maximum height above the in situ courses of P of about 0.88 - 1.32 m. The highest preserved course of P is the NE corner, where the top elevation is 6.59 m AGL. The height of P would therefore have reached 7.48 - 7.92 m AGL. Given that the primary floor level of P seems to have been 3.48 m AGL (see report of Trench 83A), one can calculate a maximum height from floor to ceiling of P of 4.00 to 4.44 m.

Because of time constraints relating to light for the photographs and the availability of the front-loader, the pass of pail 2.12 is left partially incomplete, stopping just 1m short of Area N. Nevertheless, it is clear that the fallen blocks and rubble rest on the level of the bottom of this pass, which slopes from 5.03 m AGL in the SW to 4.87 m AGL in the NW. This finding is consistent with the resting level of the fallen blocks of Trench 83B (at 4.96 - 92), Trench 77C (at 5.02 - 95), and Trench 75A (at 5.02 - 92; although S. Monroe considered the mass of ashlars, rubble, and slabs to be a wall, his Wall 3).

Also in this pass we begin to see the tops of what we knew from other trenches to be the orthostates of building T in Wall 2. This course.
juts out slightly from the face of the upper courses of Wall I. The top level of this course is 5.01 m. a.s.l. at the S end and 4.98 m. a.s.l. at the N end.

Once the trench is clean, J. Shaw takes two polaroids (see p. 40) and 8 b/w prints (Coll. 2, Figs. 7-14) to illustrate the relationship of the fallen blocks and rubble to Wall I.

The top levels of the larger blocks are noted in the plan on p. 38.

After the photographs, the blocks and rubble are removed with the help of the front loader. The large ashlar will be numbered at a later date.

Pail 2:13 is opened for the fill beneath the removed stones. The highest point of the fill is 5.27 m. a.s.l.

Trench 88A/2:13
Under pail 2:7
Level: Top: 5.27  Bottom: see pail 2:12
Location: Area S, beneath fallen stones
Type of fill: gritty, loose soil
Pottery: mostly Minoan (down to LM IIIA3/1B) but with SM-EPG skyphos & Phoenician amphora rim of 9th c.
One possible sherd of later date - 8th-7th c. B.C. grey earthenware 247 sherd, 2.170 kg.

This suggests a terminus post quem for the fall of the courses of P of the 9th c.

Other: shells, charcoal

Inventoried: C9807 Sub-Minoan skyphos sherd
C9808 Phoenician amphora sherd (rim)
Trench 88A

Contact sheet prints:
(photos taken July 6, 1993)

Roll 3, frame 7

view of fallen blocks and rubble against Wall I
on level at bottom of pail 2:12

from South

Roll 3, frame 12

view of fallen blocks and rubble against north end of Wall I
on level at bottom of pail 2:12

from East

Roll II, No. 4

July 7, 1993

Work continues with the clearing of the fill which lay beneath the fallen blocks and rubble, now removed.

The tops of the orthostates of T in Wall I are now visible in most places. The ledge created by the fact that the courses of P are set back slightly from the orthostate face of T is of varying width, from 22 to 7 cm wide. The exposed ledge in Trench 77C is 25 cm wide.

At the point where the wall of building T turns west and disappears into Wall I (the rest of Wall I to the north being part of building P), the course of P to the north seems more inset than the adjacent orthostate of T. Also, the northernmost orthostate of T seems to be running E-W, so that it measures only 30 cm along Wall I (see p. 46 diagrams). The relationships of the blocks will become clearer with further excavation.

After the fill from beneath the fallen blocks and rubble has been removed to the level of the bottom of 2:12, pail 2:13 is closed.

The small section of the pass of pail 2:12 which was left behind yesterday, in order to prepare for the photographs, is completed today. This section was just South of Area N, along the East scarp. Pail 2:12 is closed.

Area S is now of uniform level, as is Area N, which lies at a slightly higher level than Area S. (See p. 44 for diagram.) Because the resting level of the fallen blocks represents a significant surface in the trench, we change levels to level 3 for future digging.
Before beginning a pass in Area N, we remove the two small stones which, together with the asher in the East scarp, formed the southern boundary of Area N (see pp. 38, 47 for contrast). Pail 2:15 is opened to bring Area N down to the level of Area S, at which point we will change to level 3 for Area N as well.

For Area S, we open pail 3:14. The Fill consists of soft, brown soil along Wall I, but becomes more clay-like after about 1 m to the East. The Fill in Area N consists of mixed clay and sand.

**Tr 88A/3:14**

Under pails 2:12, 2:13

Levels: NE SE NW SW

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Location: Area S

Type of Fill: soft brown soil (W), changing to clay (E)

Pottery: LM III A2/8, 468 sherds, 4.150 kg

represented: MM I/8, LM I, LM II A2/8

sherd broken/square sherds; well-potted short-necked amph, chmp, cup + sherd of Carth. amphora

Other: shells, charcoal, 1 bone fragment

Inventoried: —

**Tr 88A/2:15**

Under pail 2:8

Levels: Top 5.09 (N) 5.19 (S)

Bottom 4.72 (N) 4.83 (S)

Location: Area N

Type of Fill: clay with sand

Pottery: 284 sherds total (1.490 kg)

range: MMII, LM II, LM III A2/8, LM III B, PB

sherd broken by 1 conical ring foot of cup/bowl, monol. up ext., subm. or only

Other: shells, bone fragments

Inventoried: —
July 8, 1993

Work continues on the passes of pail 3:14 in Area S and pail 2:15 in Area N.

In Area S, near Wall I, a few more small stones appear. These are removed.

By the afternoon, Area N is excavated down to the level of the top of 3:14 in Area S. Pail 2:15 is closed. The workmen turn to lowering the remaining N-S extension of the NW baulk to current ground level.

At the end of the day, work in Area S (pass 3:14) is still in progress.
July 9, 1993

The pass of pail 3:14 is still in progress, as is the lowering of the NW baulk.

By mid-morning, the work on the NW baulk is complete, and all workmen are now working on the pass of pail 3:14.

Along the E scarp 4.50m from the S scarp is noticed a small amount of burnt soil and charcoal. There is no indication of a clear burnt surface. (Sep.44)

Work ends with the pass of pail 3:14 still in progress.
July 12, 1993

Work continues with the pass of pail 3:14. As the pass moves N toward Area N, one crew begins a pass in Area N. Pail 3:16 is opened for this new pass.

Tr 88A/3:16
Under pail 2:15
Levels:  
N  
Top: 4.72 4.83  
Bottom: 4.62 4.69  
Location: Area N  
Type of Fill: soft dirt and sand  
Pottery: LM III A 15 sherds 0.165 kg  
range MM II - LM III A  
  worn sherds - too small for unit for meaningful comment

Other: 1 fragment of plaster
Inventoried: -

In Area S, the pass of pail 3:14 is completed. The small stones found in the south may have belonged to the mass of fallen blocks above this level, since the ground level at the top of pail 3:14 in the south was "a little" higher than in the north. To avoid confusion of sherds, pail 3:14 is closed and pail 3:17 is opened for further digging in Area S. The workmen begin a pass from S to N.

Tr 88A/3:17
Under pail 3:14
Levels: NE SE NW SW  
Top: 4.85 4.87 4.72 4.85  
Bottom: 4.66 4.66 4.57 4.63  
Location: Area S  
Type of Fill: brown soil, crumbly
Pottery: a far greater number of sherds than in previous passes! - 4,199 sherds, 8,270 kg

Range: MM II - C7? Very poor, worn sherds
Late material - rim of P5? There's a ring foot of C7-8 stelae or similar

Other: Shells, 1 bone fragment, 1 plaster fragment, 1 bronze nail

Inventoried: B373 Bronze nail (see p. 55)
C9837 Egyptian amphora rim C9838 loomweight
Fragment of C9810 mould (see pp. 3:20)

Work ends with the pass still in progress.
July 13, 1993

After an early morning discussion with the director, it is decided that we will subdivide Area S at a point along Wall 1 south of the join of walls P and T. A line is drawn from west to east across the trench at a distance of 5.60 m from the south. The southern area will become area $S_1$, the northern area $S_2$.

These steps are taken in order to test a hypothesis that ground level at the time of the construction of P was not at the base of the older building T but rather at some level along the orthostates. If this is so, then the construction of P to the north of the point where T joins west necessarily involved digging into that ground level. As a result, area $S_2$ to the north would produce sherds from the construction of P at much deeper levels than in area $S_1$, where the fill should have only earlier sherds once we dig below the ancient ground level. If however the sherds of $S_1$ and $S_2$ remain the same, the hypothesis is disproved.

As pail 3:17 has not extended north beyond the newly drawn division of Area $S_2$, pail 3:17 now becomes the first pail for area $S_1$. Note that the information for pail 3:17 on pp. 51-53 is changed accordingly, and see p. 54 for a redrawing of the levels.

As the pass of pail 3:17 proceeds, we notice that bits of stone chips are appearing along the bottom of the pass. When the pass is complete, we will change pails for Area $S_1$.

A piece of bronze, a bent nail (?) with square cross-section, was found in the fill 0.90 m from Wall 1 and 2.90 m from the south.
The pass of pail 3.17 is completed in the afternoon and the pail is closed. Pail 3.18 is opened for a pass in Area S2.

Tr 88A/3:18
Under pail 3:14
Levels: NE SE NW SW
Top: 4.72 4.83 4.71 4.71
Bottom: 4.63 4.66 4.58 4.56
Location: Area S2
Type of Fill: Brown Soil, Crumbly

Pottery: very many sherds - 3 buckets
1) 730 sherds, 7.965 kg, LMIII/2/8 (2 sunken body sherds) range: MMIB-LMIII/2/8, Cypot
2) 582 sherds, 4.560 kg, LMIII/3 (shallow body sherds) range: MMIB - LMIII/3
3) 152 sherds, 2.375 kg, LMIII/4/18 (shallow rim body sherds) range: MMIB - LMIII/4/18

all sherds very worn, small - locked around for long time
Other: Shells, bone fragments, charcoal, rounded stones

Inventoried: —
July 14, 1993

Work continues on the pass of pail 3:18 in Area S₂. As in Area S₁, the pass is coming down upon broken stone chips. Therefore a new pail will be started for the next pass in Area S₂ as well.

Giuliana Bianco is in the trench today drawing the elevation of Wall 1. While examining the tops of the orthostates, we notice small bits of plaster in the vertical joints of some of the blocks. There is also a stretch of the s:11 produced by the projecting orthostates which is far more weathered than the rest. It extends from 1.65 m from the south edge of the trench to 4.00 m from the south.

Upon completion of the pass in Area S₂, pail 3:18 is closed. Pail 3:19 is opened for a shallow pass in Area N.

Tr. 88A/3:19
Under pail 3:16

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Location: Area N
Type of Fill: Brown soil and sand
Pottery: 4 sherds, 0.100 kg

LM III A2/8 - dated by 1 sherd - thick cup or chiper handle, finely decorated, 4 bands along edges of each unit too small to be meaningful comment

Other: -

Inventoried: -

The pass is completed quickly and pail 3:20 is opened for a pass from S to N in Area S₁.
To 88A/3:20

Under: part 3:17

Levels: NE SE NW SW

Top: 4.66 4.66 4.57 4.63
Bottom: 4.46 4.55 4.41 4.51

Location: Area S1

Type of fill: Brown soil, crumbly, with many small stones and chips

Pottery: Total sherds: 1002 Total weight: 11,790 kg

Baskets #1: 323 sherds, 4.635 kg LMIII A (1. LMIII A fine patterned body camp, 1 purse. LMII A2 topcup in m range MMIII LMIII 1 LMII A) #2: 444 sherds, 9.310 kg LMIII A2 (fine patterned fine slipped up concentric circles, 1 2 more pots 6 slip 6 frags 6 camp cop base) MMIII LMIII A2 #3: 230 sherds, 2.845 kg LMIII A2/B (fine up camp cop foot) 1 box LMII B LMIII A2/B + 25 concave body sherds

Other: shells, bones, rounded stones, plaster

Inventoried: 9810 Terracotta mould fragments (3)

While we take the pass, several large stones appear in the fill. When it becomes clear that they do not belong to any kind of feature, they are removed.