surface roughly at the middle of the room, we shall have to stop excavation in
space T at this level which probably represents its use at the time of the
latest use of the house to the west.

Once we have a floor in Space S
we shall draw the rest of the layer
above it in the rest of the room beyond
the sounding. The same pair (17) is
being used.

Some three stones had appeared earlier
at the N. end of Space S in
an E-W line. The central one
has another stone on top of it. They
do not seem to be a wall. In fact
they are now seen to be superficial,
sitting on earth. If S is a passage
or road between houses these stones
may represent some kind of blocking
to their E. is an upright slab.

The exact meaning of all these stones
escapes us at the moment. They
may be part of a phenomenon which
continues N. beyond the scarp.
We continue removing the fill over the surface we found yesterday with Pail 17 the use of which is terminated when the rest of the floor is traced.

Now we decide to make a further sounding to determine whether there is still an earlier surface under the present one. The sounding is at the N section of the trench and is 1.40 m x 1.25 m wide. The pail assigned here is

Pail 18. L. 3 under Pail 17
Which we break each
From 19.40 to 19.30
Shards: 2280. Latest shards are LM III
probably III B (klynix band at rim junction)
Other: Bone, shells
Inc. 588 stone vessel lid.

Not much further down we come down upon a nice surface. It is made of a hard packed earth with a few pebbles and even two well worn slabs. We stop using pail 18.

We decide now to make a similar sounding in the doorway to determine whether there might be a threshold at the lower level and whether there may have once been a wall to the S. of wall 23 forming the other side of the door, a wall subsequently pulled down. We assign to this level (equivalent to that of Pail 18):

Pail 19. L. 3 Under pail 17
Whitish - brownish earth
From 19.40 to 19.30
Shards 130 gr. Scrappy - Two LM I and
South scarp in parts of Rm Space S and T as exposed by the end of the day. Three road surfaces visible (tops marked in Arabic numerals).

Roll 19, fr. 4
Rm S, South Scarp same as above

There is brownish earth & several small stones. At the bottom appears a flat stone against and aligned with the S. face of wall 23 at the E. half of that face. Is this a threshold?

Wall 23 still continues down. The underplanning of the surface has small stone and brownish earth. A sample of this surface is kept at the S. scarp, thus reducing the PR S length of the sounding to 0.60 m. We dug a layer and change pail.

Pail 21 l. A Under P. 20
Brownish earth & small stone, from 19.17 to 19.05
Sherds: 1620 gr. MM III, LM I - Large Polkio rim
Other

Inu.

After one thin layer of fill we reach what seems like a surface. There are a few pebbles. It could be just the thickness of the floor but since in doubt we change pail.

Pail 20 l. A
Brownish brown w/ pebble surface
From: 19.30 - to 19.29
Sherds: 1340 gr. Scrappy, Mostly MM III
LM I - Latest an LM IA spiralled cup
Other

Inu.
To ascertain whether the stone we
reached in the sounding next to the s. face
of wall 23 is indeed a threshold we
enlarge the sounding both to the south
and to E and W of the southern
part of wall 23 (see sketch of
sounding p. 44). The
purpose of the latter expansion is to
see how far south the slate and pebble
pavement we found in the N. Section
of Rm. S. extends to the south, what
its relation is to the "threshold" and
whether there is a floor at its level
in Rm. T. The plan assigned here
is plan 22 which is equivalent in
level to plans 18 and 19.

Pail 22 4.3 under Pail 17
Whitish, brownish earth
From 19.40 to 19.30
Shards: 370 gr. Latest shards are LM III
cup/bowl - Reserve Circle on bottom; late LM IIA or B.
Other: bones

The fill from the same level L. of
wall 23 will go into Pail 23

Pail 23 1.4 under pail Rm T
same level as pail 22 19.36 - 19.17
Brown earth & stones
Shards: 3900 gr. Five were all LM except for
one LM III M. 4 late (LM III)

We came down on the pebble surface
we found yesterday (top of Pail 20)
and it is confirmed now that it

Diagram indicating
location of various
soundings & pails used
for removal of:
road pavements and
levels at which the
pavements occur

Sc. 1:20
Sketch
in a continuation of the slab and pebble floor of the N. section of wall Rm S.

The situation W. of the doorway (which is being dug with pail 23) is quite different. Here below the level where we have stopped excavation and which is - I suspect - the floor or surface starting at the top of pails 18, 19, 22, there is no continuation of the good floor at Rm S. The floor seems to peter out at the doorway. The fill of pail 23 is brown earth with quite a few small stones - looks like accumulated debris.

We reach the level of pail 21 of yesterday's smaller sounding and continue using pail 23.

We shall now tear down the pebble surface at the doorway and to the W. of it and bring it down to the level we have first reached (bottom of pail 23). If the fill under the pebble floor proves to be alike to and continues with that W. of wall 23, the sounding will be excavated with one pail both W. and E. of the doorway. At the moment however we start digging the under pebble strata to the E. with pail:

Pail 24 E. 4 under pails 18, 19, 22.
Under floor surface from 19:30 to 19:24(3) 19.13(M)
Sherds: Mostly MM III One LM I spouted cup frag. Two probable LM IIIA sherds. X
Other: Terracotta (or weight?), bone, shell, 3 stone tools?
Inv. C 1751

X: Unit (4780 gr. is mostly MM III) with LM I and probably LM IIIA.
The fill is very much like that of Pail 23; many small stones and numerous sherds, but much more dark earth. It looks now as if the level at which we stopped excavation in Rom. T. was equivalent to the floor we are now undoing. The difference being that the floor or paving was much more decent and smoother and harder in Space S than in T. Space S may well have served as a N-S road, as we speculated earlier. A small sample of the pebble floor is kept at the SE corner of the sounding, besides the N. section of Space S.

Surprise: in the sounding E of wall 23 and just after very thin layer some 0.05 m thick; which represents the pebble coating there in a series of slabs, well-worn and associated with a hard surface. The thin layer above them must represent one of many periodic renewals of the surface. There are three such strata revealed more or less on an even level; the fourth and southernmost one is some 0.06 m lower down. No such stones were found in the doorway. We now have to take the level down to the threshold. The fill is uniform E. and W. of wall 23 and along the doorway and so on. Last layer will be taken down with one pail (equis. to pail 21).

Pail 25 C:4 - under pails 24x20
- Bone, each and small stones
- From 19.24 to 19.13
- Shards: 4080 - joins with 24. Small units - Latest sherd are LMI
- Other: bone
 inv. 1716 female figurine

The fill is full of small stones. Near wall 23 at its w. face is found a frag. of a terracotta female figurine. The fill of small stones terminates and we come down on a hard surface of slumped earth—a more pavement. It extends easterly westwards into room T though there it is 25.9 or hard packed and near the w. face of the s. end of wall 23 it is quite destroyed. In the small sounding we made yesterday we may have missed this strata, so that fail 21 may not be too dependable for chronology we leave a sample of this strata and start bringing the level down once again with

Pail 26 l.4 under pail 25
Brownish earth; stone chips; occasional sherds
From 19.13 to 19.05

Other bones
Inv.

As we come down we come upon a layer of smallish rough stones, lying mostly flatly but very irregular and rough to bed a pavement. The "threshold" turns out to be only one block, although the area w. of it is still not clean enough to know whether there might not be another slab a little further S. Work will continue on Monday.
Sounding S. of wall 23 looking E. at level (at the bottom) reached with Pail 26. 3, 4, 5 represent successive road pavements. For higher levels see phot. p 42.

We continue digging around the smallish stone; we found on Friday still using Pail 26. Quite a few prove to be at the same level and thus creating a sort of surface, like a pedestal which is, however, limited to the doorway. On either side of here W. and E. we seem to be reaching a surface of packed earth. The sounding now proved too small to repay digging in deeper levels and we stop excavation here for this season. The road surfaces could be traced once again in a future season S. of this trench.

It is speculated that this road may mark the dividing N-S line between houses, built on different elevations, because of the ancient formation of the bedrock, with these to the W. being at the lower level. The higher level to the E. has been inferred both by the possible retaining wall next to wall 22 in the present trench and from the shallowness of the remains in Trench 5B some distance to the E. of there.

Turtle tracks were spotted today on the beach.
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Geometric pottery C 1715 3.6.107: deep bowl
C 1717 2.15, kylix fr.
C 1718 2.15 LHIII B krater

Cobbles: in most pails
Dark fill: 19, 23, 25
Figurines: C.1716.4.25: female fragment
Geometric pottery: C.1657.2.13+4 (pp. 9, 13, 15, 14)

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Kommos

Marine molluscs

1-2:1  p. 9
5/3 Glycymeris  ww  4 holed
0/1 Donkwa lip

1-2:2  p. 11
4 Patella
4/1 Glycymeris  22 wide  2 holed

1 LMI IIIA-B
1 late Geometric
2:3  p. 13  (with 4)
2 Glycymeris  both ww  1 holed

1 ?LM II
lat: LMI III
2:4  p. 13  (with 3)
2 Glycymeris  both ww
0/1 Mactra  top half  left

somewhat worn
lat: LMI
2:5  p. 15
2 Patella
2 Glycymeris  both ww, 1 a bit fresher

MM, LMI
lat: LMI IIB
2:7  (with 6 & 10)
5 Glycymeris  all ww  3 holed

MMIII, 1 LMI
2 LMI IIIA
2:9
1 Patella
4 Glycymeris  all ww  1 holed

lat: LMI IIIB
2:10  (with 6 & 7)
2 Patella
1 Murex trunculus
5 Glycymeris  4 ww  1 almost fresh  1 holed

poor group, LMI,
lat: LMI IIIA
2:11
2 Glycymeris  both ww  1 holed

½ fine ware - MM
3 LMI II
lat: 2 LMI IIIA2
2:14
2 Glycymeris  both ww  1 holed

poor - MM III, LMI, 2:17
LMI IIIA1-B (lat)
7/1 Patella
2 Glycymeris  both ww  1 holed

LMI, LMI III
lat: prob LMI IIB
3:18
4 Patella
3 Monodonta
0/1 Glycymeris  ww

most MM III, 1
1 LMI, 2 LMI IIIA
3:24
2 Patella
3/2 Glycymeris  all ww  2 holed