After completing the pass with Paul 51, we still have not identified the course of the South wall of Building T. We take levels and change Pauls arbitrarily for another pass, through the stone layer.

Paul 52 L3
Under 51 L3
Depth 2.22
Still brown + stones
Pottery LII III A II A

Other
Unmentioned:
1. Concrete shed marked + removed
This Paul will begin at the W wall of T and will progress toward the L wall.

Another Paul is begun for the area of the W wall of T.

Paul 53 L3
Under 50 L3
Depth 0.122
Pit 13mm + large chips
Pottery LIII A I
Other: plaster, shell, bone
Unmentioned: C8291 stirrup

(The stones in the East smaller & “chippier” than those in the W)
We continue with pad 53 on the E end of the area not the wall of P.

At the same time we return to the small area W of the stairway in the E ½ of the trench. We shall take half of this area - that immediately next to the stairway - down in a sounding. We are looking for several things:

1. any foundation trenches
2. any earlier floors
3. eventually we shall go down to bedrock

Dry earth is being kept in the W ½ of the small space as we plan to refill the sounding.

We begin a new pad for the 1st pad:

Pad 54 L 3
Under 41 L 3
Level 3, 49
Grill - see below
Pottery - L 51 A

Other finds: bone, shell
The floor we are removing is hard earth burnt red in places, matrix is sandy. It contains many pebbles but does not make a solid first surface of pebbles.

We find what appears to be, the top of a wall beneath the lev wall of the Stairway. Well? We change parts here arbitrarily for another pass.

Pail 55 L3 under 54 C 3 depth (p126)

Soil hard packed sandy floor material with pebbles.

Cotter | 1111 2 1111 1111 1111 1111 1111 1111
necessarily later

Other bone shell plaster

Inventoried C8292? vessel

Next to the N wall of P the floor packing material appears to continue deeper. We change pails to remove this in the hope that it might be filling a foundation trench.
Potteries M Nh I

Other inventories

Large sherds + Conical cups and fragments in this area

We change pails for a pass to the S to see if the vessels continue.

Pail 57 L 3
Under 56 L 3
Depth 320-318 (n)
Silk brown
Pottery M Nh III / LH IA

Other plaster, shell, painted plaster

Inventory:

C 8293 foreign vessel
C 8294 concup C 8296 concup

In the NE part of the trench we change pails to dig toward the LH 1 levels

Pail 58 L 3
Under 53 L 3
Depth 3128
Silk blue brown

Levels after 53
potters LD111A1
other inventoried: C8295 concrete
C8298 clay brick

in the small space of the stairway, Part 57 brings us to under a large stone that may represent the top of a wall. We continue digging to confirm the wall. The fill in this small space is pure sand. A new wall is begun to see if this is it.

Part 59 L3
under 57 L3
depth 2.98

two sand
potters
other inventoried:
We continue with pad 58 in the northeast part of the trench. With this trial we are taking a very deep pass.

In the area W of the stairway we complete the sounding. Photos are taken and GA arrays a plan and section. Despite some unanswered questions, the area has proven quite informative. The pottery may add even more to our understanding.

The main point learned is that the line of the back (west) face of the E wall of T continues beneath Building P. The VII Building T, in other words, may continue further south than we had expected. (The alternative solution is that this wall represents a direct extension of the E orthostate wall but is not a part of the original construction of T.)

This wall is preserved to 3 courses as it continues beneath P. A bit of plaster is preserved on the wall to show that it is not part of the chill foundations.
The line of the wall is not well preserved toward the south and here it is preserved to only 1 course.

One other construction was discovered in this small sounding. This is the roughly built wall that filled the 5 2/3 of the sounding. This may be a T-shaped wall.

At the bottom of the sand, not this corner wall is a layer of large stones ranging from fist size to foot ball size.

Other observations from the sounding:

1. No foundation trench was used in this part of Building P.

2. The bottom of the W wall of the stairway is at a higher level than the bottom of the N wall of P. The W wall of the stairway may have been built on the 1st floor.
3. No earlier surfaces were found.

The original LIII floor surface at 40-41 appears to have been used in Hellenistic times (levels 40-40) destroying any evidence of earlier floors.

4. No LII surface was found as might have been expected if we are indeed at this level. Perhaps the LIII construction was responsible for the disturbance.

In the NE part of the trench we changed plans for another pass:

Paul 60C3
Under 58C3
Depth p 138

Soil
Pottery

other
untranslated.
We are now about 70 cm above the level of the hypodome of the orthostate wall found in TR 60A. The height of the hypodome = 3.69

We shall dig a pass toward the hypodome, we are working for MIII road surface.
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Pail 60 brings us to the foot of the krepidoma along the N wall of P.

No sign of a surface. No sign of the krepidoma of 1.

We change pails for another pass.

Pail 61 L3

3.71 m depth - top of krepidoma soft - brown, wet, soft - no stones

Pottery

Other

Unmentioned

With this pass we come to the krepidoma at T and dig closer to a surface. The surface is not very clear, it is marked by some pebbles in the W part of the area. There are no pebbles in the E part.

We take levels P/140 and dig toward the plako pavement.
Roll 15

Fill 62 L3
Undet 61 L3
Depth 3.57 cf p140
Soil Clay and Fine earth
Pottery
Other bone, shell, plaster
unnoticed.

This pool is bringing us to a
subsequent. The pools stop
in a line short of the E escarp. This
may be a drain. If so we have the entire width
of the. While the water runs clear
street. The water, 'spring, G shall
append a brief description
of the architecture
excavated in G7A1.

Building P

We found about 17.20 on one
of the length of the north
Wall of P. The building
continues further to the
East.

This wall has 2 styles of
construction. N of the
stairs where it corners
with the wall of T. On
the street, it is built of
large ashlar blocks &
courses. Have been leveled with
Stairway

The stairway was built against the N wall of P. It is held in place by 2 walls. The W wall is...
preserved to a height of ca 2.00m
in 14 courses. L = 1.45m

The north wall continues to the last step, at the excavated height is incomplete, it is
4.5m wide thick.

7 Stairs have been excavated
Height of risers (from top)

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Two large fallen blocks in
the stairway made it impossible
to excavate to the bottom.
Playing with a metal rod 2
thumbed I can feel 2 more steps

7 Ca. 30 Ca 3.62 ?
8 Ca. 31 Ca 3.91 ?

Building T

We excavated only a
small part of Building T
in T7A1. We uncovered
a short section of the
orthwest wall N of the
Stairway consisting of
two or three large Hyperdome and one ashlar block above the northern tire of the east side.

\[ H = 0.9 + \text{ above Hyperdome} \]
\[ L = 1.95 \]
\[ W = 1.20 \]

The southern face of the back face of the wall had been disturbed by the construction of \( R \).

In the boundary of the wall of \( R \) we found evidence of a continuation of the line of the inner face of \( T \). (See p 133-139).

\[ \text{Note on road:} \]

The black pavement is probably not the earliest; it stops against the Hyperdome of \( R \) but continues beneath the Hyperdome of \( P \).
A sounding under the road pavement (under pail 61) was made later in the season. Also there was further investigation in the N. Gallery of P to determine the date of the staircase. See M.C. Shaw, Tr. 62E, page 195.

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