Machine set at level +7.99 m.

Pail 13 is being continued and shopped when most of the rubble of the platform and just to the north of it has been removed. We end up with a rough level sloping down from N to S, from 6.81 to 6.60 - 6.65. The latter includes the strip (E-W) of rough surface found last year (72B/pails 28, 29) used in association with the platform. The activity, we assumed was iron working.

In pail 13 we cleared the north face of wall 1, the one that links with one barely traced in Tr 66A V - space XI. The length exposed here is 2.05 m., over w. 0.63 m. The west end does not look like a proper termination and there may have been a further extension ripped off when V was built. Right now M of the preserved NE corner has appeared the top of a fine ashlar block, ca. 0.33 m. wide (N-S) and 0.50 m. as exposed. Next to it is a round flat stone on the east (0.23 - 0.25 m. of diab.)

We take levels (p. 30) and change pail.

Pail 3:14 under pail 13

Brown, softish earth, a few small stones from (p. 30) to (see p. 34)
Space: Just west of E wall of V.
but fine frag.
Other: bones, charcoal, shells, slag piece of clay; iron working habitual

T.R.U. C9103: TC bell jar
2 piece of iron slag
as found in the fill (pail 13)

Iron working
Roll 1, Frs. 13-14

With the first pass we find interesting evidence of metal working: clay fraps
with iron debris adhering on one side. The clay is very red. Next to them is
im slag of strange shape. We leave the material in situ and we take
photographs. The location is noted on p. 20. Iron working material are
collected. Not too far is a boulder
fist sized cobble, possibly a tool
used there (large cobble when lifted
is perfectly smooth - not a tool).
The material are rapped out and
removed. They include what looks like
im slag which has an odd curvy
shape (see drawing p. 32). Bits
of charcoal also found & collected.
Pail 14 at the top reveals the bottom
of the Archaic wall.

Broom earth cleared away from a layer
of stone below. Alongside the wall
of V there are blocks in a N-S
line parallel to that of the Archaic
wall. Only the west face is
preserved if it is a wall. If a wall
it may be a predecessor of Building
V, because of the similar orientation.
The two southernmost block of this "early
wall" were exposed in 72 B and
thought to be a bench. The floor of
V, as exposed in 72 B, showed a
steep slope and terraces stepping
down from N-S. The rubble
"platform" just removed with pail 13
marked the middle of three such
terraces.

West of the new "wall" there is
a layer of coarse rubble which
at the moment of the description does not occupy extend all the way north. In the midst of the rubble are some large flat sherds.

All the above is mapped out and levels taken. Next we remove the rubble accumulations with

Pail 3:15 under pail 14
From (see p. 34) (6.62) to 6.50
Rubble accumulations and softish brown earth
Space: within V, NE area
Sherds: latest 7th c.?; coarse basin

Pail 3:16 under pail 14 and 15
From (see p. 34) (6.59/6.57) to (see p. 40)
Softish brown earth
Space within V at NE area
Sherds: latest 7th c.; some minoan
blob 'cup' in sec. frag.
Others: pumice; differentially worn pebble; plastic

Inv. C 9105 = mendable 'blob' cup

Next we take the earth level down. The top has indications (reddish in some area etc.) that this may be a high surface.

Pail 3:16 under pail 14 and 15
From (see p. 34) (6.59/6.57) to (see p. 40)
Softish brown earth
Space within V at NE area
Sherds: latest 7th c.; some minoan
blob 'cup' in sec. frag.
Others: pumice; differentially worn pebble; plastic

Inv. C 9105 = mendable 'blob' cup

with pail 14 we revealed that the "ashlar" block at the N end of pail 14 is a slab, rather than a block. A second course of wall was also revealed.

The line of stones alongside the Archaic wall look like the platform found in the past alongside the west wall of Building V.
July 2

Pail 16, continued from yesterday, may represent fill under some kind of a rough surface associated with the new wall or platform, running alongside the interior face of the Archaic wall. More of the Minoan wall #1 has been exposed all the way to the west scarp. Immediately south of it starts stone debris of medium-sized stones, many slanting and sloping down towards the south. This is from the collapsed upper course of the wall.

A couple of the stones at the north end of the wall/platform area found to sit on earth. They are those at the south end, less regular than the rest and perhaps not part of it. The rest of the blocks continue deeper. We stop pail 16 at this level which may represent the use with the wall/platform although there are no clear indications of use. Perhaps the top of pail 16 (at level +6.56 was the real "surface")

All the architectural features in this area were re-examined early this morning when work was slow, as one of the workmen did not come. A new workman has since come to our rescue. Photos are taken at the bottom of pail 16.

Now, we have another cleaning job to remove the southern "platform" within Building V.

Pail 3: 17 under pail 33 of Trend 72 B
Small stones of "platform"
From c. 6.46 m to 6.38-6.35
Sherd: Latest Th ½ c. small sherds; some Minoan; large flint of UP cup
Other: shells; bone; iron working; bat
Inv:

Removal of the rubble reveals an area under the east segment of the platform with traces of iron working. This obviously preceded the time of the platform. There are some flat l-Jun sherd, a couple of flat l-Jun large bones. This is some kind of a surface, but it is not clear how it links with the situation to the north. Perhaps we shall find the surface under the unexcavated fill, unless it was limited to the area of the platform. We terminate Pail 14 at this level. We collect separately flat l-Jun sherds and iron debris.

A new project: we go back to the small area directly east of the north end of the Archaic wall and directly south of the Minoan walls of Space X1, where we previously stopped at a level of stone chips with Pail 12.

Pail 3:18 under Pail 12
From 6:79 to 6:62

Space X1
Bowl earth
Sherds: Late Th Archaic; small unif./sherd; some HM III sherds
Other: burnt substance; bone, shell
Inv:

A small destroyed hearth is found. It may have been pi-shaped, for two small blocks now dislodged, are badly burnt and darkened. Ash and burnt soil is called within
There are no sheds in
the hearth. We photographed the area
of Pail 18 before removing all the
ash from the hearth. In one of
the photos we restored the 2 slabs of
the hearth, roughly as it might have
looked.

We remove the ash and find that
the hearth's bottom is further down (at +6.41 m.) and is made
of a somewhat spanning slab
with a small upright slab on the
south side. This will have to be
rephotographed. We keep the other
small blocks in case we can later
figure out how they might be restored.
We terminate Pail 18.

Now we turn to the Archaic
wall. The part preserved consists
of a length of 1.60 m., with 4
good blocks along its west face.
The northern part will be removed
leaving as a marker a few blocks
which sit on top of the Philocaen
wall. The south wall of Room XI
south of this wall a few blocks
were washed away in the winter
due to the rains and because built
on a slope. The surface on which
the lost blocks sat is preserved and
is 0.90 long south of the base
the wall was lost in antiquity.

For a length of ca. 0.90m
more are small stones and each
we take levels throughout and
will dig first the southernmost
section where the might be contamination.

We assign here:
Levels at top of Archaic Wall

6.92
6.88
6.58
6.66
6.82
6.75
6.62
6.64
6.72
6.59
6.57

Archaic Wall

? bench

Levels at bottom of Archaic Wall shaded blocks kept as masonry. The pails indicated were used to remove fill directly under the bottom of the removed Archaic wall which was excavated in 3 segments from S -> N: pails 19 to 21 (see pp. 43-45)

Pail 3: 19 under pail 07 Tr 66A
From (see p. 42) to 6.35m
Small stones and earth space: edge line of E Archaic wall
Sherd: latest LMIII; small unit and small sherd

Inv.

We dig down to what seems like Minoan debris (larger stones and terminate pail 19)

We move to the segment of the wall where the wall was and dig the earth which represents fill right under the wall

Pail 3: 20 under Archaic wall
From (see p. 42) to 6.40m
Earth and rubble
Sherd: = LMIII latest - small unit

Inv.

As in Pail 19, we stop at the level of stone debris, most likely Minoan.

At this point the trench begins to look more level, especially in the area enclosed within the E and SE wall (or rather, the line of these walls) to Building V. Here we are still at 7m.

Levels: though Minoan wall debris has started to appear East and South of here.
Machine set at level +7.92

We assign Pail 21 for fill under the northern removed section of the Archaic wall (see plan, p. 42).

Pail 3: 21 under Archaic wall

From 6.80 N - 6.755 to 6.62

Earth and pebble

Sherds: latest LM III C small unit

Others -

In u.

We take level throughout the trench. Polaroids are taken of the ‘platform’ which will be eventually removed (see p. 44).

Pail 21 is terminated at the same level as that of pail 18 where the hearth was found (at c +6.62). It is a loose, arbitrary level, with small stone sticking out of it. The hearth probably belongs with an underlying surface. We shall take the level down again. Photo: Pail 21 Fr. 21 (see p. 48)

Pail 3: 22 under pails 18 + 21

From +6.62 to +6.43 m

Brown earth and stones at E end

Space x 1

Sherds: latest LM III A 2/B? small unit; one large, molten small? Archaic

Others:shells; clay lining from hearth

In u.

The hearth is being investigated again. Some of the ash above it spills over the Minoan wall (here wall 2
This means that Wall 2 was already destroyed when the hearth was in use. Next to the ash on the wall face is earth, we clear that away to reveal no relationship between Wall and hearth. A few sherds turn up which we label

Pail 3: 23 cleaning of Wall 2
Sherds = pail (just a few sherds) misplaced/lost?

Other -

Inu.

A piece of clay (broken in 2 pieces) found to the west of the hearth and collected. It must be from the hearth's lining. A drawing of the hearth is made. Slabs have moved from original position but the interior dimensions are probably 0.30 E-W x 0.22 N-S. As we remove some of the ash from the top of the Minoan wall we find a hardened layer of ash/burial right against the upright little slab, clearly the result of exposure to burning. At the bottom of the bottom slab of the hearth a few little pebbles appear and we stop there, though this is not a clear surface. (at +6.45 m) Large stones, collapsed from Wall 1 appear at the west edge of the pail but are not removed.

We now start pail 24 which will encompass a large area excavated in part in Tr. 72 B. It is essentially the area enclosed within Building 1, where excavation stopped at a fairly flat level at an average
at 46.48, as seen in the plan (p. 44).

Pail 3:24 under pails: (see p. 49) (pails 16, 17)

From level (see p. 44) to (see p. 50)

Within Building V

Sherd: Late 1st. c. Large unit, small to medium sherds, + minoa (MM III - KMI); Archaic cup +

Other: shells, bones, iron kraters

Inu.

With the first thin pass we find that the blocks of the platform bottom out. We are going to take one more pass with the same pail (24) which is a kind of an interface between the use of the platform and earlier. There are rather few sherds. Right at the centre of the area there are a few large stones, including a squarish one. After the second pass we terminate pail 24.

We are next going to remove the platform. It is one course, ca. 0.12 m. high with a back line of blocks only at its south end, for a length of ca. 1.30 m. In this segment it is ca. 0.55 m. wide, but with irregular face, and, therefore, not a wall. Where there is a sea, no rear row on the one line of stone in ca. 40 - 45 cm. wide. The length is 1.90 m., or of too odd looking small stones at its north end are included, 2.40 m. The blocks are odd shapes: squarish, triangular, roundish. The largest is 35 x 44 cm as squared.

The platform will now be removed.

We assign pail 25 for any associated finds.
level at bottom of pails 24, 25
Top of pail 26
Plan ca 1:50

Next we go back to digging in the area of pail 24, but now we shall include the area under the platform and all the way to the unexcavated edge of the trench, omitting only the area in the SE corner of the trench where the level is still somewhat lower.

Pail 3: 25 (under pails 24, 20, 19)
From (see p. 50) to (see p. 52)
Brown earth, almost pure within the area of Building V, (X5)
X Sherd: latest Thc. + Min. (LM1-III)
CP and cup + oph. traps in Archaic
Other: shells, bone, iron
Inv. C9110: five micaceous brown-burn. CP bowl

The SE corner excavated with pails 1-2, 5-8 is still lower than the area of pail 26.

X Pail 26 (cont'd)
Joins possibly W. Tr 74A pails 10, 12, 14, 21 (C9110)
Level machine set at 8.01

Pail 26 continues. The slab noted yesterday at roughly the centre of the area of the pail is found to sit on earth and is removed. It is 40 cm square and 4.5 cm thick, probably a Minoan paving slab. A couple of small blocks (more) breccia are also removed. In the SW corner of the trench we seem to be finding a rough surface, some pebbles, a few tuf-pots, some flat sherd. It is at level 6.30m. While the bottom of the slab + stone was at 6.90

we start a new pail to replace 26 of which the bottom level is ust meter deeper than its top.

Pail 3: 27 under pail 26

From (see p. 52) to c. 6.35m/6.26s
Brown earth, some small stones, block within the area of Building V
Sherd: large unit; late 17c. great mix
M1B-L1, LM IIIB/IIA. Archaic and post.
Other: fossilised shell; tuf-pots, iron, bones
Inv. C9136 - male TC figurine torso
Minoan (single frog)

A block, then another, in a line appear near the west scarp and ca. 6.30m from the north limit of the trench. The fully exposed southern block is 440 sq. 35 m. E-W oriented. A third block is found, disappearing into the west scarp. This is a wall with its exterior face on the west. Some blocks to its east, slightly lower may be the east face. The orientation is that of the LM I walls. The length exposed so far is ca. 1.10m. Distinct accumulations of stones have emerged. One is directly south of the west end of wall
A more precise spot is that south of wall 2 we remove earth throughout the area of the pail till we expose walls and wall debri's which we do not remove, except for small loose stones. We are now even with the area in the SE corner of the trench where excavation started this year.

We dig west of the line of wall 2 and we find that it stops, with a square block at a distance of 1.55m from the west line of the trench. This is clearly a doorway leading into X1 to the north.

The level machine is reset at +6.05m, after having been moved to be used elsewhere.

A second pail is begun with pail 27. This starts to include areas of the triangular area excavated earlier in the SE corner of the trench but only the rubble accumulation at that limit.

Along the east edge of the trench and 2.80 south of wall 2 occurs an accumulation of lirpet which we bag separately. The lirpet clear at a rough level, some surface of use outside Builder 8 at level 6.27. The fill here is softer and more cinder we do not contaminate pail 27. We assign pail 28 for the location and for a cleaning of any soft fill still present along the west edge of the trench. By edge here we mean the part not excavated in 59A and 59A.
Pail 3: 28, alongside pail 27 used to clear the west edge of the unexcavated part of the trench. Softish earth. Level reached +6.27.

Sheds: Latest 7th c; small unit; small to large + minuscule.

Other: limpets

Inv.

We name the new wall found Wall 3 (see p. 52). For easy reference, we shall also relabel walls found in previously excavated trenches. This re-labelling is shown in the plan on p. 52.

Another accumulation of limpets is found about 1.50 east of Wall 3. They are bagged separately.

An accumulation of stone leaning against the west end of Wall 2 is removed. Digging just below the end block we find, to our surprise that two more, smallish, blocks emerge from under it. We stop excavation here at this level. So this may not be a door jamb after all.

We now decided to dig within Space X1 using the south face of Wall 2 and the west scarp as the limits.


Space X1, soft brown earth.

Sheds: Latest LM III A2; small unit.

Other: shells/limpets

Inv.
Fallen stones from the NW corner of the
pail are removed. No sherds found in their
midst. The stone penetrated within the
surface and even deeper down. So they
must be earlier than the possible surface
(at +6.45) with the hearth. We shall,
therefore, start digging the surface with
pail 29 and see if free stone debris
continues under it. It is possible that
the stones just removed from the west end
of X1 acted as a masonry back wall or
limit of a small space in re-use, at
the time of the hearth.

A new pail now replaces pail 27
for the area south of Space X1.
This does not extend all the way to
the south edge of the trench. A
line W-E has been drawn
joining walls 3 and 6 and
running 0.40m S of 3 and 0.5
m north face of 6. (see plan p. 54).
The digging will be done north of
this line which represents, hypothetically
the south limit of the, underlying
Minoan Room X4. Here is assigned


Pail 3: 30 under pail (27)
Free (see p. 54) to (see p. 70)
Brown earth, small stone
Space X4
Sherds: MM - Late C7, include LM IIIA

Other: bones, shell
Inv: C9165: shoulder of Orient. Flask

The small space within X1 excavated
stays where there are fallen stone,
Minoan debris. The level with
the hearth was probably built against
this rubble. A fill in third level is 50