Excavation of Pails 83A/3:40 and 83B/2:41 continues simultaneously.

J.W. Shaw takes photographs of the large ashlar which appears to have been above the "window" of Wall 1.

Roll 3, Frame 11 - From E
Roll 3, Frame 12 - From W

Beginning in the NE corner we trace the level of burning in Trench 83A using a small pick. Here, the burning is much more pronounced than in the West and Pottery is uncovered which appears to be resting on the burnt level. It is left to be photographed.

A fully intact squared bronze peg is discovered in the SW corner of Trench 83B. It is not, however, in situ, but loose in the fill. M.C. Shaw suggests it is a fine chisel.

We reach a level on which some rubble appears to be resting. We decide to change pails.

PAIL: 83B/2:42 under 83B/2:41; Levels: see p. 96; Location Label: N; Fill: clay soil with small rubble
Pottery: 1,245 kg (108 sherd); Latest date: LMIII A2
Range: MM IB - LMIII A2, mostly LMIII A
Light - Very Heavy wear

Inventoried Objects:

Also: plaster, shell, charcoal
16 July, 1992

Excavation of Pail 83A/3:40 and 83B/2:42 continues simultaneously.

While we are awaiting photographs of the excavation surface of Trench 83A, we continue to clean Wall 2. When photographs have been taken we will sieve the surface layer.

J.W. Shaw comes to take photographs.

Polaroid: entire trench, Bottom of Pail 3:40,
Space N, from W
Roll 3, Frames 20-21, same, Wall 1, from W
Frame 22, same, pottery close-up, from NW
Frame 23, same, pottery close-up, from N
+ color also, from N
+ colour also of burning in corner of Wall 1 and 2, from W

Photographs are on p.98.

A new pail is opened for material recovered as the burnt surface is removed.

PAIL: 83A/3:44 under 83A/3:40, Levels:
see p.100; Location Label: NE, fill clay soil and rubble with burnt soil, charcoal, and ash
Pottery: 0.790 kg (661 sherds) Latest: LM III B
Medium - Very Heavy Wear, some burn

Inventoried Objects:

Also: plaster, charcoal, shells, pumice, blue pigment, red pigment, bronze flag, bronze bead

Except for c. 1 ft² in the NE corner of the Trench, the area of burning appears to be very thin. As we continue excavating and sieving, a plaster "feature" as yet unidentified, but resembling a basin, appears in the NE corner against Wall 1, c. 30 cm from Wall 2. In the SE corner a red feature begins to appear. It is not clear of what material it is composed, although
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It seems to be too soft to be plaster and therefore a counterpart to the feature in the NE corner.

During excavation more of the blue pigment is found, this time also with a piece of a pottery shard. When one pottery bowl is removed from the surface where it was photographed, it is found to contain an accumulation of the red material which is found staining some of the pottery. It is kept separate for analysis. A small piece of bronze is also found.

The basin-like object in the NE corner appears to have two coats of coloured plaster on the interior.

In Trench 83B we are continuing our downward descent.

We reach a level upon which some of the rubble appears to be resting. After removing the rubble we open a new Pail.

**PAIL 83B/2.43 under 83B/2.42**

Levels: see p. 100; Location Label: N; Fill: clay soil with small and medium-sized rubble.

Pottery: 4.770 kg (340 sherds) Latest: LM III (?)

Range: ENM III - LM III mixed; Medium - Very Heavy Wear

Cycladic cooking pot sherds.

Inventoried Objects:

Also: plaster, pumice

When we made one pass we notice that the amount of pottery collected increases greatly over previous pails. Because this indicates that we have come upon a period of greater use we decide to change pails.
16 July, 1992 (continued)

PAIL 83B/2:45 under 83B/2:43

Levels: see p. 102, Location label: N, Fill: clay soil with small-sized rubble
Pottery: 1.895 kg (196 sherds) Latest: LMIII A2-B
Range: MMIII - LMIII A2/B
Medium: Very Heavy Clay
Join with pail 83B/43

Inventoried Objects: C617 - cooking (?) pot with interior ledge rim, possible Cypriot

Also: plaster, shell, bone

83B/2:45

Scale 1:100
17 July, 1992

Excavation of Pails 83A/3.44 and 83B/2.45 continues simultaneously.

As we continue excavation Trench 83A we discover that the layer of burning which we were excavating in Pail 3.44 is very thin and lies on top of a burnt surface which stretches the entire length of the trench. We open two more pails to clear around the plaster feature and throughout the trench down to the level of burning.

PAIL: 83A/3.46 under 83A/3.44, Levels: see p. 104; Location Label: NE; Fill: clay soil with a handful of small pebbles.
Pottery: 2.69 kg (232 sherds) Latest: LM III A2
 Mostly LM III A, 2 burnt bodysherds
 At least 4 amphorae
Inventoried Objects:
Also: small copper dot, shells, charcoal, plaster

PAIL: 83A/3.46A under 83A/3.44; Levels: see p. 104; Location Label: NE; Fill: clay soil with small amount of small rubble.
Pottery: 3.515 kg (232 sherds) Latest: LM III A2
 Range: MM III - LM III A2 Medium-Hard Wear
 Open bowl with red substance on interior
Inventoried Objects: C9621 - restorable CC
 C9622 - restorable CC
Also: plaster, shells, bronze strip, bronze nail, purple material, red material

We trace the burnt surface across the trench, arriving at a roughly level surface. For all intents and purposes this is the end of excavation in Space 10, since we...
have actually reached the floor of the gallery. The plaster feature (basin?) in the NE corner suggests that we are at the floor or more or above. It is discovered that between the plaster wall of this basin (?) and Wall 2 there is stone, perhaps a ledge. This basin (?) is found to have at least 3 layers of plaster: the top is an unpainted pink plaster, the middle is pink plaster painted black, the innermost (therefore earliest) is white plaster painted blue. When we have discovered the Features' southern extent in Space 5, we will give the entire feature a better cleaning.

In Trench 83B excavation continues down to a level of burning. This burning appears to be confined to a small area in the NW corner, at the same level as the top of the krepidoma. When the krepidoma is being cleaned a small amount of plaster is discovered in the exterior joints of T between two large blocks and the krepidoma. This will be photographed Monday.

While the excavation surface is being brought down to the level of the burning a small patch of pebbled surface is discovered. While this is being cleaned an accumulation of pottery is found at the same level. On Monday, when the remainder of the trench is brought down to this level, the surface and the pottery will be photographed.
Excavation of Pails 83A/3:46 and 83B/2:45 continue simultaneously.

The last of the earth above the floor is removed and sifted from Trench 83A, Space N, and the bulk is cut into line for final photographs.

For the bottom levels reached in Space N, see plan p.108:

Photographs are taken by J. W. Shaw.

Polaroid 1: Bottom of 3:46/46A, Space N, from W

Polaroid 2: same, but of Space NE, from NW

Roll 4, Frame 1: Tr. 83A, Space N, bottom of Pail 3:46/46A, floor (burnt surface) with plaster basin, from W + colour

Fr. 2 - 3: same, but space NE - + colour

Fr. 4: close up of southern baulk, space NE, from N - + colour

Fr. 5: same as Fr. 1.

Because of a possibility that the photographs taken on roll 3 will not turn out, two more photos are taken of the large ashlar in the "window" of Wall 1.

Roll 4, Frame 6: ashlar in window, from SW

Frame 7: same, from SE

All photographs are on pp. 108 and 108.

We now prepare to continue excavation of Space S.

PAIL: 83A/3:47 under 3:22/2:21/2:20/2:18/2:16/2:14/2:11/2:10/2:9 as it slopes upwards from west to east; Levels: see p. 108

Location Label: S, Fill: medium/large rubble with clay soil

Pottery: 4.780 kg (173 sherds) Latest: archaic

Range: LM1 -> Archaic, very mixed

Medium: very heavy wear

Pithos unusually well represented

Inventory: C9623 - large TC standing lamp figs (incl. nozzle)

Also: plaster, pumice, shells

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Exposed Walls
Exposed Robble

Frames 2 - 8, Roll 4

Pail 83A/3:47 (continued)

The pail found is a handmade CF of uncertain date.

32218 - Stone quern
20 July, 1992 (continued)

The first step in excavation is to remove 3 large, slender blocks from the trench. The front loader assists. A medium-sized stone is discovered, with a shallow basin cut in the top (see p. 110). It is not in situ. A small, almost complete jar is discovered. Its location is marked on the plan (see p. 110).

Excavation of Trench 83B continues down to the pebble surface. A small bone is discovered near the pottery and pebble surface.

The trench is now photographed:
- Polaroid: Tr. 83B, bottom of Pail 2, 45, surface with pottery, from NE.
- Roll 4, Tr. 83B, same + colour.

Photographs are on p. 112.

**PAIL: 83B/3:48 under 83B/2:45, Levels:**
- See p. 112; location label: N; Fill: Light brown sandy soil with some clay soil and a few fist-sized pieces of stone.

**Pottery:**
- See next page for details.

**Inventoried Objects:**
- C.9528 - ceramic figurine
- C.9535 - loom weight
- Also: bone, shells, plaster.

As excavation continues, the pebble surface is found to continue a centimeter or so below the fill in a larger portion of the trench along the south. A very large amount of pottery is discovered, and a small possible figurine.
The amount of pottery warrants the division of Room 83.4/3:48 into 4 subpits: A, B, C, D

Subpit A:
Pottery: 7.490 kg (970 sherds) Latest: LMI
Range: MM II - LMI; many plain conical cops; Medium - Very Heavy Wear
Many of the cops are of LMI date.

Subpit B:
Pottery: 7.140 kg (716 sherd) Latest: LM III A3
Range: MM II -> Mostly: MM II - LM I A
Mostly cops; Medium - Heavy Wear
Comparatively little LM III A3

Subpit C:
Pottery: 7.395 kg (830 sherds) Latest: LM I / MM III
Range: MM I -> Mostly MM II / III mix
Mostly cops; medium - Very Heavy wear
1 sherd with possible graffiti.

Subpit D:
Pottery: 2.970 kg (347 sherd) Latest: LMI (A)
Range: MM II - LMI (A); many plain conical cops and straight-sided cops; Medium - Very Heavy Wear.
Excavation of Pails 83A/3:47 and 83B/3:48 (D) continue simultaneously.

As the rubble is removed from Trench 83A down exposing part of the inner face of Wall 1, we arbitrarily decide to change pails.

**PAIL: 83A/3:50** under 83A/3:47/Levels: see p 114; location label: S; Fill: medium/large rubble with sandy clay soil.
Pottery: 8,655 kgs (347 sherd) Latest: LM III B
Range: MM III > Mostly: LM III Az./B
Unusual number of M/C UP pithoi and short-wear missing LM III B decorated fine wear.
Inventarioed objects: B343 - Bronze blade

Also: pumice, plaster, shells

In Trench 83B, when the pass is finished we decide to close pail 3:48 because of the immense amount of pottery recovered.

**PAIL: 83B/3:49** under 83B/3:48; Levels: see p 114; location label: N; Fill: light brown sandy soil with small-sized rocks at bottom, + stone chips.
Pottery:

Inventarioed objects: C9701 - Loomweight
C9703 - Loomweight

Also: plaster, bone, painted plaster, shells, teeth

Again immense amounts of pottery are recovered. We therefore divide the pail into three subpails.
Subpail A:
Pottery: 7.750 kg (855 sherds) Latest: MMIII (LMI A?)
Range: MM I>  mostly MM II
Very heavy wear; Large number of cups and\nbase-deepened jars, and many other items

Subpail B:
Pottery: 7.410 kg (610 sherds) Latest: MM II / MIII (?)\nRange: MM IB - III (?), mostly MM II
Large number of conical cups and fruit stands\nMostly heavy/very heavy wear

Subpail C:
Pottery: 5.390 kg (509 sherds) Latest: LMI B (?) / MM II\nRange: MM I >, mostly MM II\nMostly heavy/very heavy wear\nSome pottery recut to be lids
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Excavation of Pails 83A/3.50 and 83B/3.49 (c) continue simultaneously.

In Trench 83A, we continue to remove rubble from Space 5, coming down on a small patch of fire-darkened soil.

In Trench 83B, when the pass is finished, we decide to change pails because of the amount of pottery recovered, and because the small rocks found at the bottom of Pail 3:49 indicate a change in fill.

**PAIL 83B/3.51** under 83B/3.49; Levels: see p. 118; Location Label: N; Fill: high purity clay in large spots, with clay soil elsewhere, stone chips, little pottery.
Pottery: 2.055 kg (191 sherds) Latest: MMII
    Range: MMI-; mostly MMII
    Medium-Heavy wear; 1 burnt jar base
    Broad mix of objects
Inventoried Objects: C9704 - Loomweight

Also: bone, plaster, shells

With this pail the bottom of the krepidoma of building T is reached. The pail is brought to a close, bringing to completion the excavation of Trench 83B. Final elevations are given, p. 118. We end the day cleaning the trench in preparation for photographs.