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Notes to using this transcription

In this transcription, we attempted to create a balance between accurately representing the text of the notebooks with readability. For example, the margins in the transcription have been retained so that the text is as it appears in the notebook entries, since the notebooks are very narrow. In order to standardize the text and make it readable, we made editorial decisions explained in a variety of notes. A guide to these editorial notes follows.

Editorial notes are always in square brackets. We used the following abbreviations:

MN = Note by Blegen or Scott in the margins of the notebook text

AddN = Additional note within the notebook text

Bookidis = Additional note written by Nancy Bookidis in the notebook

Unknown = Additional note written by an unknown person in the notebook

James and Nakassis = Editorial note of Sarah James and/or Dimitri Nakassis to explain a part of the notebook, entered into the electronic text only.

Tzonou-Herbst or ITZ = Editorial note of Ioulia Tzonou-Herbst entered into the electronic text only.

Alternative possible readings of the same word or uncertain transcriptions are in {}

Numbers or letters in a paranthesis, for example (1) or (a) or (A), indicate points, walls, or trenches as designated on Blegen's plans and refered to in his text indicated by a circle.

Headings were added for ease of navigation of the text. These headings are always our own, and do not actually appear in the text. In the case that our heading is the same as the heading in the notebook, the heading appears once bolded and once in regular text.

The first time a section appears and Blegen defines it and starts work on it can be identified in the headings. In the first appearance, the word "section" followed by its designated letter and Roman numeral for stratum appears in the heading.

Editorial decisions:

- 1. Numbers less than 1 were given a zero before the decimal point. So .75 was always entered as 0.75.
- 2. Quotation marks were set around the designations when announced by Blegen of trenches, walls, houses, etc. whether or not Blegen does so in the text. For example, we

- transcribe 'The first pass I call "I".' although there are no quotation marks around the Roman numeral in the notebook.
- 3. Excavation dates were normalized in their format and missing information (day of week, year, etc.) was supplied.
- 4. Spelling errors were almost always corrected. This includes Blegen's spelling of Greek vessels; for example, he consistently writes cylix and cylixes for kylix and kylikes. (This was done to make searching the text easier).
- 5. Non-English words were italicized.
- 6. Regularizing designations of pottery chronology, especially as used by Scott, who often writes LM 1; this was changed to LM I (to make searching the text easier).
- 7. Fonts: For unaccented Greek, we used the Symbol font; for accented Greek, we used the Athenian font (available free online).

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Abbreviations

Blegen 1921 or \underline{K} = Blegen, *Korakou* BD = New Museum, Basement Drawer

OM = Old Museum

PG = New Museum, Prehistoric Gallery

Non-English Words

Bügelkannen = stirrup jars

NOTEBOOK 83 (1916): R.W. SCOTT

NB83, p. 1

Monday 29 May 1916

House M: connecting wall LE and west wall, 0-35 (NB 83 B 1), cf. Plan pp. 2-3

Began work with 4 men. Began by digging a trench eastward from the center partition wall of the "Megaron" house. Named the trench "trench q connecting wall". We dig eastward at an average depth of 35 cm. for a distance of 9.50 meters when we came upon a wall going northward. Found many potsherds, a piece of bronze and a piece of flint these last two looked like pieces of knife blades. We dug a trench following the wall northward. After following the wall for about a meter we came upon traces of ashes on the west side of the wall. In this same place we found a stone spindle whorl and a metal pin. Much fewer potsherds were found in trench going north than in trench of connecting wall.

[MN: I will give the general name L.E. to all of the trenches]

Tzonou-Herbst= Marginal Note "P/" meaning pottery.

Outline of spindle whorl [sketch of profile and bottom of spindle whorl] Outline of metal pin [sketch of metal pin]

Tzonou-Herbst= Blegen 1921, p. 108, fig. 133, no. 6. Miscellaneous objects of bronze and stone, Third Late Helladic Period, Stored PG Case 2, Drawer 11.

Rough sketch of walls [sketch of walls with names and symbols identifying walls and locations]

The X marks the spot where were found the spindle whorl, ashes and pin. A little farther north of the X was found a small piece of flint knife blade.

House M: West wall (NB 83 B 2), cf. Plan pp. 2-3

We continued trench north for 4.35 m. when the wall ceased. However, as we had come upon ashes we continued the trench north to see what we could find. I will call this wall going north the "west wall".

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Outline of walls as excavated May 29^{th} , 30, 31. June 2^{nd} , 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and on.

[top plan sketch of excavated area from Blegen's L. Trench to the west to Shore House to north to z wall to south to wall f to east. Plan contains all designations referred to in Scott's text]

House M, North wall, cf. Plan pp. 2-3

At about 50 cm from the end of the west wall we came upon a wall running east and

west which I will call the "north wall".

House F (?): East Wall (NB 83 B 3), cf. Plan pp. 2-3

At 160 cm east of the end of the south wall we came upon a wall running north and south which I will call the "east wall".

West of House F, Place marked π – flooring, cf. Plan pp. 2-3

If we should continue the south wall until it meets the east wall and from that point measure off 168 cm north on the east wall, we will come to a place, just west of the east wall, where we found red matter which at first we thot to be part of a fallen brick wall which had fused together from the heat of a fire. Under this we found some good pieces of several Mycenaean vases or pots. Later it appeared that the red baked clay was perhaps a floor and we cleaned off a good sized space. It certainly looks much like flooring with the potsherds as filling. In the drawing on page 2 the place is marked π .

House M, North wall (NB 83 B 4), cf. Plan pp. 2-3

We next began with the piece of wall running east and west, just a little beyond the end of the west wall and found that it ran east until it met the east wall. We will call this the "north wall".

House M, Connecting wall pottery

We had the potsherds from the connecting wall washed. Mr. Blegen looked them over and chose out the most important.

House M, North wall meets east wall (NB 83 B 5), cf. Plan pp. 2-3

I had the men clean off the top of the north wall until they reached the place where it joins the east wall. The E. wall I treated in the same way. Upon the E. wall160 cm from the place where it joins the N. wall I came upon a large stone about a meter in length and averaging 50 cm in width. I have not yet dug deep enough to ascertain the height of the stone. It is perhaps a threshold. See drawing page 3.

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Tuesday 30 May 1916

East of where north wall meets east wall (NB 83 B 6)

Began work at 6 o'clock with four men. I had them remove the earth piled up between the east and west walls preparatory to excavating the room formed by the four walls excavated yesterday id. est.

[James and Nakassis= Beginning of page to id. est. written in purple pencil] the north, south, east and west walls.

We continued the trench of the NError! Bookmark not defined. wall eastward and found that the N. wall ended 150 cm east of the junction of the E. wall and the N. wall.

North of end of north wall (NB 83 B 7)

We began with this end of the NError! Bookmark not defined. wall and dug a trench northward and found that a wall went northward for 2 meters. See plan pg. 3

Cleaning of north face of north wall (NB 83 B 8)

I had the workmen clean the north face of NError! Bookmark not defined. wall. At the place marked Y in the plan on pg. 3 we found the fragments of a good part of a Mycenaean kylix which fragments 5 preserved. In cleaning the north face of the wall we found a mass of foundations covering the face of the wall beginning at about 1 meter east of the end of the west wall, and continuing for 3.65 meters east, see plan. We continued the trench of the north wall westward and found that the wall continued westward for 6.60 meters west of the place where the west wall meets the north wall on the west face.

Trench southward from east end of connecting wall (NB 83 B 9)

I had the men dig a trench southward from the eastern end of the connecting wall and found a wall extending south for 3 meters from the southern side of the east end of the connecting wall. See plan.

Trench north of north wall where joins west wall (NB 83 B 10)

Began a trench about 5 m north of the north wall beginning at a point exactly north of the west wall and found a wall running east and west just 4.75 meters north of north wall for a distance of 6.20 m. see plan pg. 2. I called this the "second north wall".

Trench south from west end of 2nd north wall (NB 83 B 11)

I next started a trench southward from the western

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end of the 2^{nd} north wall, and found a wall running southward and joining the north wall.

Trench south from east wall (NB 83 B 12)

Began a trench to uncover the rest of the east wall to the south, and found that the wall continues southward.

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Wednesday 31 May 1916

Began work this morning with 4 men.

Trench south from east wall (NB 83 B 12 continued)

The east wall was uncovered for a distance of 5.10 meters when it was found that it turns westwards. I took the measurement 5.10 by beginning at the southern angle formed by the extension of the south wall till it meets the east wall and measuring to the outside angle of the wall where it turns westward.

Traces of wall between two north walls (NB 83 B 13)

I found traces of a wall running north and south between the north wall and 2^{nd} north wall, see plan pg. 2

Corner of connecting wall and Blegen's L. wall (NB 83 B 14)

Blegen gave me 3 more men and I began to remove the earth from the corner formed by the connecting wall and the wall running northward id. est. Blegen's L. wall.

Opposite corner of connecting wall and Blegen's L. wall (NB 83 B 15)

[MN: I also had the earth removed from opposite corner.]

Trench west from southern end of east wall (NB 83 B 16)

Ran a trench westward from the southern end of the east wall and found that a wall starts westward; after running about 50 cm it drops north a bit and then continues west for 1.40 m. A wall also starts off from it northward. See plan. 50 cm from the end of the wall which I have been describing we found a wall running northward. We followed it up and found that it came to within a meter of the south wall. This connecting wall is rather narrow.

Trench south from west wall (NB 83 B 17)

We continued the trench of the west wall southward and came upon a wall running east and west with a junction toward the north. See plan.

Trench westward 2 m.

We started a trench more to the westward about 2 m. and found another wall running east and west. See plan.

Trench west of trench south from west wall (NB 83 B 18)

We started another trench about 4 m farther west but found that the wall did not proceed so far.

Trench west of B 16 (NB 83 B 19)

I continued the trench which I had started westward from the southern end of the east wall and 2 m farther on came up a

mass of foundation which joined the projection toward the north which I mention on pg. 7. At the point marked X in the plan I came upon a good fragment of a Mycenaean water jar, many pieces of Pre-Mycenaean ware, several pieces of Urfirnis, and a good spindle-whorl. One piece of sherd brot from here was peculiar in that the outer surface was black and decorated with white parallel lines in geometric design.

2nd north wall to east of B 10 (NB 83 B 20)

We dug eastward from the eastern end of the 2nd north wall and found that the wall continued 2 m. farther eastward than I had described at the bottom of pg. 5. At this point I found a corner and a wall running southward, evidently to meet the north wall. At this corner we found a Corinthian tile, pieces of 2 amphorae and other fragments of rough ware.

[MN: This spot I marked O in plan on pg. 2. Also marked the pottery found here in the same way.]

North section of Aisle Wall (NB 83 B 21)

I dug a trench northward starting on the long connecting wall about 3 meters east of Blegen's L. trench and found a wall which meets and forms an angle with the north wall. See plan pg. 2.

Z wall (NB 83 B 22)

I started a trench southward from the wall running east and west marked with an X on the plan pg. 2. and found a wall which I will call the "Z wall" continuing southward for a distance of 4.70 meters.

East-west wall south of Z wall (NB 83 B 23)

One meter farther south we found a wall running east and west, see plan pg 2. We began to follow up this wall eastward.

East wall trench (NB 83 B 24)

We continued the trench of the east wall and 85 cm from the end of said wall found a wall running east and west.

We have a boy cleaning potsherds and as soon as he has washed a $\zeta\epsilon\mu\pi$ ilt full we, Blegen and I look then over and preserve those which look interesting. The greater part we throw away. The east wall proved to be so long that I divided it roughly into 3 sections, namely northern part, middle and southern. A great deal

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of Minyan ware and Mattmalerei was found in this east wall. It may be a Minyan house.

East wall trench south (NB 83 B 25)

We continued the trench of the east wall southward beyond the wall running east and west which I mention on last page, and found at a distance of 2 m. an other wall running east and west.

Wall south of Z wall (NB 83 B 26)

I said on pg. 8 that there is a wall running east and west 1 m. south of the Z wall. We dug a trench along this wall eastward, but found that it did not continue.

Thursday 1 June 1916

Eορτή, no work.

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Friday 2 June 1916

Began work with 4 men, two to remove earth and two with picks.

East wall further southward, B1 (NB 83 B 27)

Extended the eastern wall farther southward and 2 m. beyond the wall running east and west found another wall running east and west. This wall I followed eastward by a trench but found no remains of the said wall but found many ashes.

East wall further southward, B2 (NB 83 B 28)

The other wall running east and west two meters to the north I followed eastward for 5.5 meters. These two walls I call "B1" and "B2". See plan pg. 3.

Trench a (NB 83 B 29)

I ran a trench westward from the southern end of trench Z and found some fragments of wall. I then extended the trench eastward as far as the trench of the east wall. I call this "trench α ". See plan below.

[sketch of wall and trench α , continuation of plan in pp. 2-3 to south]

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Trench α and east wall meet

At about 1.60 m from the point where the trench of east wall and trench α meet I found a wall running north to south.

Trench α, S extension (NB 83 B 30)

I dug a trench southward but found that it did not go far. See plan p. 10.

Blegen takes two of my men.

Trench B3 (NB 83 B 31)

I started a trench 1.60 m north of the trench B2 and found a wall running eastward from the east wall for a distance of 6 m.

This wall I called "B3." In trench B3 I found a hearth and flooring. See plan pg. 3.

Wall C (NB 83 B 32)

When wall B3 has run for 3.63 m. I find a wall running northward. [James and Nakassis= This northward-running wall must be the one revealed in the "Minyan Court"; see page 51]

This wall I named "wall C" and found that it extended northward for 10 m. See pg. 3.

Wall running westward

Measuring off on this wall 2 m. I found traces of a wall running westward.

Trench C1 (NB 83 B 33)

Two meters beyond this connecting wall I found a wall running eastward for 1.25 m. I continued the trench eastward and found a wall running north and south at a distance of 1.80 m. I call this trench running eastward "trench C1". At the end of trench C1 we found what looked like a hearth or flooring. See plan pg. 3.

South from C1 (NB 83 B 34)

We started to dig southward to follow the wall running north and south in trench C1. We got along about 50 cm when we again struck what looked like flooring or hearth. See plan pg. 3.

Saturday 3 June 1916

Εορτή, no work.

Sunday 4 June 1916

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Monday 5 June 1916

I was in Athens but Mr. Blegen continued the work.

Trench lmop (NB 83 B 35)

The wall running north and south in trench C1 was followed up. It was found to extend to the north for about 4.75 m. The trench was continued farther north but no more wall was found. The wall was found to extend to the south from trench C1 for a distance of 4.40 m but not in a straight line. This trench running north and south I call "trench l. m. o. p."

[James and Nakassis= this entry is congruent with Blegen's notebook 84 "lmop" p. 13; Blegen says that this trench was 0.00-0.30 deep]

Trench qr (NB 83 B 36)

At 2.50 m. north of the southern end of Wall l.m.o.p. was found a wall running eastward. A trench was dug to follow it up. The wall was found to extend for only about 50 cm. but the trench was continued for 8 m. This trench was called "q.r.".

[James and Nakassis= this entry is congruent with Blegen's notebook 84 "qr" p. 13; Blegen says that this trench was 0.00-0.30 deep]

Trench q-q (NB 83 B 37)

There was found to be a wall running north and south from trench q.r. 3.65 m. east of wall l.m.o.p. It was followed to the north for about 4 meters. I will call it "Trench q-q". See plan pg. 3. {I} must say that after trench q.r. has crossed this wall, the wall of q.r. extends eastward.

[James and Nakassis= Blegen's plan on p. 13 of NB 84 appears to label this trench q-q'] [Tzonou-Herbst=James and Nakassis did not read that Scott had named the trench q-q in an additional note in his text.]

S trench (NB 83 B 38)

A trench was extended eastward from the northern end of trench l.m.o.p. for a distance of 5.35 m but no walls were found. This trench is called "S trench". See plan pg. 3

Note. The pottery from S trench was all "hurled". It had a few pieces of Mycenaean, a fair amt of Minyan and a lot of coarse stuff.

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Tuesday 6 June 1916

Started work with two men.

S trench eastward (NB 83 B 39)

Carried the S trench farther eastward and came upon an irregular collection of foundations. After I had extended the trench 4 m beyond the distance mentioned at bottom of pg. 12 I came upon a corner, one arm running north east and the other south east.

S trench south east arm (NB 83 B 40)

I dug a trench south to follow up the south east arm but found it did not go far.

d trench (NB 83 B 41)

I extended this trench for 8 m south from the corner. I name this the "d. trench". About 3 m. from end are traces of a wall running westward. In this spot they brot up a good drinking cup, evidently a child's. The handle was broken.

The cup is 6 cm. high and of the Urfirnis class.

[sketch of cup]

North and east extension of d trench (NB 83 B 42)

The northern end of trench d. I extended to the east for about {2} meters and then ran it northward for 4 m. I found here a wall running northward from 3 m. This is really an extension of d. trench.

North of d trench (NB 83 B 43-44-45-46)

Blegen gave me two more men and I started to dig a trench at the north east side of the hill just north of d. trench, that we might get a stratum. The first basket of potsherds came from a depth of 40. The second from 70. the third from 86; the fourth 120. At this depth we found a wall.

[James and Nakassis= given the way Scott is measuring the above numbers are probably in centimeters]

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Eastern slope of Korakou hill (NB 83 B 47)

Down on the eastern slope of the hill Blegen noticed that the natural rock had been cut as for a wall. I had the men dig along the southern side of this cutting for two meters. Considerable Urfirnis potsherds were found. It looks as tho there might be Urfirnis houses here.

e wall (NB 83 B 48)

About 5 m. east of d. trench I started a trench north and south. In it was a wall going north and south. I name this the "e wall".

This e wall extends north and south for 5 m.

e trench-d trench (NB 83 B 49)

From the northern end of trench e I dug a trench to meet trench d. and found a wall or foundation as in diagram below.

Trench d pottery

The pottery from trench d., was coarse and included mattmalerei, Urfirnis, Minyan and a little Mycenaean.

Trench e pottery

From trench e came also a little one-handled Myc. pitcher, about 2.5 inches high.

[sketch of trenches e, d, and e wall]

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Wednesday 7 June 1916

Began work with two men.

Trench f (NB 83 B 50)

We continued trench f. See pg. 3. southward from about 3 m. and came upon a wall running westward. After the wall runs westward for 1 m. it turns and forms an angle. In this angle was found the remains of a pot strainer. Also much evidence of black ashes in this trench.

The bottom is full of holes as for a strainer. The top had a handle at one time, which came up over the mouth of the pot in a half circle. It is 10.5 cent. high.

[sketch of strainer]

[Tzonou-Herbst= Blegen 1921, p. 31, fig. 45, Strainers, Domestic ware, Middle Helladic Period, Group C. The strainer discussed by Scott is the furthest on the right in the photo, no. 3, now in the Old Museum]

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East Alley

I took four men, three to carry earth and one to dig, and dug up the space between Blegen's wall, see pg. 2. and the wall to the east of it which I call the "Aisle wall".

The space was divided into 3 sections and each section's sherds were preserved separately, to find out the character of this space. See drawing pg 16.

The earth in this space appeared quite sandy and had some shells in it. In this respect it differs from the soil outside the walls to the west.

[James and Nakassis= this last entry seems to imply that Scott actually dug, but how much? Scott's notes from page 29 imply 35 cm for the North section, Middle section, and 30 cm for the South section. These differ from the elevations of Blegen for this area (NB 84 p. 58), but as Rutter 1974: 25 points out, Scott was actually the trench supervisor]

[Tzonou-Herbst= See, however, further below, on p. 29, where Scott mentions that the South section had already gone down to 35 also on June 7.]

East Alley, NError! Bookmark not defined. section I, 0-35 (NB 83 B 51)

East Alley, Middle section I, 0-35 (NB 83 B 52)

East Alley, S section I, 0-30 (NB 83 B 53)

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[sketch: top plan of East Alley]

[James and Nakassis= this sketch is re-drawn by Rutter 1974: 24 fig. 1]

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Thursday 8 June 1916

Began work with four men, later increased to six.

House M

We removed the earth from the room or house that has the aisle wall for its west wall and the L.E. connecting wall for its north wall. I divided it into four sections to facilitate the study of the pottery.

House M, SE section I, 0-10 (NB 83 B 54)

I began by excavating sect. SE to a depth of 10 cm. See diagram below. The south wall of this house is not yet uncovered, but I drew it hypothetically into the diagram.

[sketch of house: labeled Manoli's house M]

House M, SE section II, 10-28 (NB 83 B 55)

After clearing off the first 10 cm of sect. SE we took off another layer of 18 cm. Not many sherds were found those found were kept separate from the first layer. Blegen had yesterday brot to light the upper surface of a stone at the spot where the 2 lines cross in the diagram, which he took to be the

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baetylic stone. We cleared away more from the stone, today and his supposition seems to be correct.

[James and Nakassis= This refers to Blegen's NB 84 page 23 under the heading "Baetylic Column Base"]

In clearing away the second layer we found the flooring of the room. It was of clay and some small stones. At 2.35 meters south of the center stone we came upon a little clay figure of a horse, also spindle whorl. It was lying upon a white layer that looks like a hearth, tho no ashes were found, or a flooring.

[Tzonou-Herbst= It is the figurine that was lying on the white layer. Scott has written in "also spindle whorl" as an afterthought above the "of a horse".]

East Alley, S section II-2, 30-35 (NB 83 B 56)

We dug up the south sect. of East Aisle (see pg. 16) to a lower depth of 5 cm. The sherds found in this level were preserved separately.

[James and Nakassis= In order to keep our terminology the same as that of Scott, we are calling this basket the 2nd pass of the S section of the East Alley II]

[Tzonou-Herbst= Why is this not EA, South Section II? Especially since the pottery is preserved separately. Where is II-1?]

House M, NE section pottery (NB 83 B 57-58)

Note

Sherds found in NE sect. of M were very coarse and were "hurled" June 21st

The Mycenaean pottery found in the same sect. was of the latest period, most of it was "hurled".

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Friday 9 June 1916

Began work with six men. One with the pick and 5 to carry earth.

House M, NE section I, 0-10 (NB 83 B 57)

House M, NE section II, 10-18 (NB 83 B 58)

We uncovered the NE sect. of M in two layers, the first 0-10, sec. 10-18. As very few potsherds were found in the first layer the sherds of the two layers were put together. In this NE sect. we found a baetylic col. base 1.70 m from the north wall end 1.70 m from the east wall. See diagram pg. 17.

House M, NW section I, 0-10 (NB 83 B 59)

House M, NW section II, 10-18 (NB 83 B 60)

We next took the NW sect. The first layer went to 10 cm, the sec. to 18. As there were but a half doz. pieces of sherd from the first layer, they were all put together.

House M, west wall of main room

The excavation disclosed considerable irregularity in the west wall of the room. It looks like a door-way. See diagram pg. 17.

House M, hearth

We also found what looked like a hearth. There were some ashes and the earth was quite hard. See diagram pg. 17 for position.

At the eastern end of this hearth was picked up a spindle whorl. The sherds found on the hearth did not differ from the rest of those found in sect. NW.

House M, SW section I, 0-10 (NB 83 B 61)

House M, SW section II, 10-18 (NB 83 B 62)

We next went on sect. SW. It was dug in the same way as the others but nothing of note was brot to light.

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[sketch labeled "North Room to M house, Confer pg. 17"]

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Saturday 10 June 1916

Began work with 6 men. One with a pick and the others to bear earth. We removed the earth from the room north of M house. I divided it into 2 sections, one NW; the other NE.

Room North of M, NW section I, 0-12 (NB 83 B 63), cf. Plan p. 20

We took the NW sect. first and dug it into a depth of 12 cm. But little pottery was found. Mostly coarse stuff.

Room North of M, NW section I continued, 12-24 (NB 83 B 64), cf. Plan p. 20

We then dug it another $\frac{10}{12}$ cm, where we found more pottery. The pottery from the two layers was put together.

[Tzonou-Herbst= See p. 49 where Scott describes section II as starting at 24. There is no reason to assign two different basket numbers here for section I.]

Room North of M, NW section, north wall cf. Plan p. 20

At the northern part of this sect. we came upon a wall running east and west. See plan, pg. 20.

[Tzonou-Herbst=Was the wall covered by NW section II earth?]

Room North of M, NE section I, 0-17 (NB 83 B 65), cf. Plan p. 20

We next took the NE sect. to a depth of 17 cm. A little coarse stuff was found.

Room North of M, NE section II, 17-29 (NB 83 B 66), cf. Plan p. 20

We then went 12 cm deeper. This time we came upon some good pieces. The frag. were larger and more numerous. One piece had an interesting

conventional design, thus ____. This piece was found just north of the stone drawn in this sect. in the plan, pg. 20. The pieces from sect. NE were all put together.

[sketch of design]

[Tzonou-Herbst=Sketch of FM 18B, Mycenaean Flower, Hybrid, Furumark 1972, p.291, fig. 44, nos. 43-48.]

Room North of M, NE section after II, stone, cf. Plan p. 20

In this NE sect. we uncovered a quadrangular stone 1.20 m from the east wall and 1.10 from the south wall. Its purpose I do not know. Perhaps it was a seat.

[James and Nakassis= We are designating these levels as two passes as part of the same basket, because the pottery was put together and because Scott's further excavations consider the first 24 cm as one basket; see NB 83 B 162, p. 49]

[Tzonou-Herbst= I took out the designations "NE section I-1" and "I-2", because they confuse things for no reason. Since they were dug separately, they should be assigned levels as Blegen assigns levels to be consistent. James and Nakassis assigned different basket numbers.]

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Tuesday 13 June 1916

Blegen had charge of most of work and I was late in arriving from Athens.

[MN: Called these the Shore rooms]

Shore House, east room I, 0-15 (NB 83 B 67)

Shore House, east room II, 15-35 (NB 83 B 68)

Uncovered two rooms to the north of North room of M house. Rooms are divided by a wall running NError! Bookmark not defined. and S. This wall has a doorway in the center. The room to the east was uncovered first, to a depth of 15 cm, then another layer was taken off to a farther depth of 20 cm.

Shore House, east room, hearth and pillar basis

A hearth was uncovered in the center and to the north of the hearth a stone which looks like it might have supported a roof pillar.

Shore House, west room I, 0-15 (NB 83 B 69)

Shore House, west room II, 15-35 (NB 83 B 70)

The room to the west was excavated in the same way but no hearth or baetylic col were found. I will make no plan now as the walls to the east are not yet uncovered.

South of megaron of House M I, 0-23 (NB 83 B 71)

The space to the south of the megaron of M house was uncovered to a depth of 23 cm. A wall was uncovered running southwest and northeast also three or four isolated stones. An explanation is not forthcoming.

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Wednesday 14 June 1916

Shore House, west room III, 30-50 (NB 83 B 72)

Began by excavating the west "shore room" to a farther depth of 20 cm. As the second layer yesterday had gone down 30 cm the third layer went down 50 cm.

Shore House, west room, hearth and pillar basis

We found a hearth and pillar basis.

[James and Nakassis= note that according to the descriptions on page 22, west room II should have gone down 35 cm, not 30]

Thursday 15 June 1916

Was ill and was not at the dig.

[James and Nakassis= Blegen notes on this date (NB 84, p. 36) that one workman was also taken ill on this date and the water seems the source of the problem; on the previous day Blegen notes that two men went home ill (NB 84, p. 34). Presumably this is why Scott too was ill]

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Friday 16 June 1916

Shore House plan

Shore House

[plan]

This is a plan of the "Shore House" as excavated [illegible] today.

The eastern part is not fully excavated.

As I had nothing to do with the excavations of the 2nd and 3rd levels I will not describe them.

[James and Nakassis= see, for the eastern part of the Shore House, Blegen NB 84, pages 38, 42-43, 46 and 52.]

NB83, p. 25

Saturday 17 June 1916

Began work with five men.

South wall and connecting wall (NB 83 B 73), cf. Plan p. 2

Put four men to clearing up the space between the south wall and connecting wall. The spot is marked Φ on plan pg. 2.

Shore House, North wall (NB 83 B 74)

Put one man to follow up the north wall of Shore House (see pg 24). We found that the said north wall extended from its west end eastward for 12 m when it meets a wall running north and south.

Shore House, East wall

We began to clear away the earth from this wall to see its extent. We found that it extended southward until it met a wall running east and west in a line outside that of the south wall of the house. See pg. 24.

Shore House, wall abutting South wall of House

This wall on the outside seems to have no connection with [illegible] Shore House.

NB83, p. 26

Monday 19 June 1916

Began work with five men.

Shore House, north end of wall between 1^{st} and 2^{nd} rooms (NB 83 B 75)

We began by clearing away the mass of stones at the north end of the wall connecting the first and second rooms of the Shore House. We found that a great deal of the stone was not wall but just fallen stones. When cleared, the wall took roughly this shape,

[sketch of wall]

In main the outline of the wall is preserved, but it is difficult to account for such a mass of foundation.

Shore House, west end of north wall (NB 83 B 76)

We dug at the west end of the north wall of Shore House and found that it extends for 35 cm westward from the corner.

Shore House, west end of south wall

As the south wall projects in a similar manner we may have antae.

Shore House, measurements

I took measurements of Shore House with a tape and found as follows

length of north wall (from inside)	11.43
" " " (" outside)	12.20
width (average)	00.45
length of south wall (from inside)	10.20
" " " " (" outside)	11.23
width (average)	00.50
length of 1 st cross wall (whole length)	04.25
length of 2 nd cross wall	03.90
width of 2 nd wall (average)	00.41
length of west wall (from inside)	04.51
length of east wall (as far as dug) [AddN: from inside]	06.73
width of west wall (average)	00.45
width of east wall (average)	00.455

A long piece of bronze from some instrument was picked up among the stones of wall which is sketched at the top of the page.

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House M, southern part (NB 83 B 77)

We dug some more at the southern part of M house. We found that the south wall of the megaron does not extend to meet the west wall, but it looks as if there were a door at this part. See plan, p. 17. At this part also I found what looked like flooring. After cutting down a sect. of it with the knife it looked as tho the upper stratum were a floor stratum. See plan pg. 17.

[James and Nakassis= as the plan on page 17 indicates flooring in the SW corner of house M, it appears that Scott has abandoned his idea of sectioning the house into 4 quarters and is digging in the general area of the south of house M]

NB83, p. 28

Tuesday 20 June 1916

We began work with 5 men.

House M, cleaning of inside faces of walls of North room (NB 83 B 78)

We cleaned the inside faces of the walls of the North room to M House. See pg. 20

House M, NE section, flooring

In the NE sect. we came upon some good flooring which I had brushed. I tested for a lower floor level but found none.

North Alley, Shore House, trench to the west, 0-70 (NB 83 B 79)

We dug a trench westward from the center of the west wall of Shore House to see if we could find a baetylic stone. None was found, but at a depth of 70 cm we found traces of a wall, but it seems to have no connection with the Shore House.

[Tzonou-Herbst= See p. 54]

Shore House, trench to baetyl, 45-77 (NB 83 B 80)

We next dug a trench northward to the baetyl in Shore House, in order to find its perpendicular measurement. When we had gone down 32 cm below the level of the hearth we found the base of the baetyl and also found stones *in situ* which looked to be connected with a lower level and earlier house. Their relative positions are thus --. The two quadrilateral stones look like mill-stones. At 8 cm below the level of the hearth, we found what we that to be evidence of another hearth. This hearth is almost directly under the upper and later hearth.

[sketch of baetyl and stones]

House M, trench to baetylic column (NB 83 B 80)

In M house we dug a trench southward from the north wall of the megaron to the baetylic col. in order to find the depth of the latter. This stone was found to measure from top to bottom 38 cm. See pg. 17.

[James and Nakassis= does Scott mean the 'baetyl' at the center of the house rather than the one he found in the NE section, B 58, p. 19?]

House M, height of north wall (NB 83 B 81)

We also dug a trench at each end of the north wall of the same megaron, to find the height of the wall. At the east end it is ca. 58 cm, at the west end ca. 54.

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Shore House, north end of east wall (NB 83 B 82)

I had the east wall of Shore House followed up to the north. I found that it extends 3.20 m north of the north wall of the house, and probably farther,

but there was such a pile of earth ahead that we could not advance farther than we did. We found no trace of a wall running eastward from this wall.

Shore House, wall north of north wall (NB 83 B 83)

We found that there are evidences of a wall running northward from the north wall of the Shore House, just continuing the line of the second connecting wall of the house. See plan pg. 24.

East Alley, S section II, 35-50 (NB 83 B 84)

East Alley, mid section II, 35-50 (NB 83 B 85)

We began with the East Aisle and shaved off a level of ca. 15 cm (with the levels of June 7th, making in all ca. 50 cm) in the south sect. and middle sect. See pg. 16.

[AddN: Note. This brings the floor level to that of floor of the first period of L.]

The pottery was kept separate.

East Alley, NError! Bookmark not defined. section II, 35-48 (NB 83 B 86)

We also leveled down the north sect. to a level of ca. 13 cm, (making 48 cm in all). We came upon a most confusing mass of foundations. However, the wall between the middle sect. and the north sect. although quite out of line seemed to furnish a doorway. Two stones seemed to act as steps, while on each side of the door are spaces evidently provided to receive the door-posts.

[James and Nakassis= According to Rutter 1974: 28, these do not appear in Dinsmoor's final site plan but were apparently not removed because the NError! Bookmark not defined. section of the East Alley was not excavated below them; it is possible that they are only a pile of stones, fill under house L]

NB83, p. 30

Wednesday 21 June 1916

Sorted pottery in the museum.

Thursday 22 June 1916

Began work with five men.

Shore House, 1st room, 50-65 (NB 83 B 87)

We dug a trench ca 15 cm below the floor level in the first room of Shore House leading the trench westward from first connecting wall to the stone in the center of the room, see plan p. 24. In this trench we found a row of stones as shown in plan. In this spot we also found a piece of bronze like a chisel 11 cm long.

Tzonou-Herbst= Blegen 1921, p. 108, fig. 133, no. 2. Now stored PG case 2, drawer 11.

Shore House, 3rd room, 45-? (NB 83 B 88)

In the 3rd room of Shore House we uncovered a round stone right against the south wall 27 cm below the top of the wall and almost in a straight line with the round col. base to the north and with which it seems to have some connection. See plan pg. 24.

House M, megaron NW corner (NB 83 B 89)

We sunk a trench at the NW corner of the megaron of M house to a depth of about 45 cm below the top of the wall and found that this corner is occupied by a mass of foundation. As this foundation is near the door it may have something to do with a cloakstand or a seat.

House M, megaron floor (NB 83 B 90)

In the northeast quarter of this room we found a floor level and I had the workers clear the floor for some distance. This floor is 21 cm below the level of the east wall of the megaron. We cleared this floor for a distance of 6.75 meters southward from the north wall of the megaron.

[James and Nakassis= This floor was revealed by B 55, which went down to 28 cm below ground. The floor of B 77 may be the same floor, as the basket above B 77, B 62, only went down to 18 cm below ground. So probably B 90=B55=B77. This also means that the top of the megaron's east wall was about 7 cm below ground level.]

[Tzonou-Herbst=This floor is 21 cm below *the level of the east wall*, while B 55 is 28 cm *below ground* and B 77 could be 18 cm below ground. I would be cautious because a. the basis of measurement is not the same, and b. successive floors in Mycenaean sites can be put in for a depth of 10 cm, the difference between the floors in question, assuming that floors are all measured from the same point.]

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East Alley, S section III, 60-75 (NB 83 B 91)

East Alley, mid section III, 60-75 (NB 83 B 92)

We cleared away another level of 15 cm from the south and middle sections of East Aisle. A large number of sherds was found but nothing exiting.

[James and Nakassis= sic; Scott must mean exciting]

The level was lowered from 60 to 75 cm. This makes level III. [James and Nakassis= The levels recorded here differ than those for B 84 and B 85, which Scott explicitly says were taken down to 50 cm below ground level. There is no apparent way to resolve this contradiction.]

East Alley, S section IV, 75-90 (NB 83 B 93)

We then lowered the south section for another 15 cm that is from 75 cm to 90 cm. The pieces brot up were of better quality than usual as found here. This is level IV.

West of House F, walls between north and south walls (NB 83 B 94)

Between the north wall and south wall of the plan of pgs. 2 and 3 we uncovered two walls running north and south and parallel with the east wall. See plan pgs 2 and 3. The one wall extends south from the north wall for 4.75 m. The other for 1.15 meters.

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Friday 23 June 1916

East Alley, mid section IV, 75-90 (NB 83 B 95)

We leveled the middle sect. of East Aisle another 15 cm. This is level IV and goes from 75 cm down to 90.

[Tzonou-Herbst=This section from the date to this point written in purple pencil.]

Many pieces of good Mycenaean pottery were found. Most of the pieces seem to belong to LM II.

East Alley, mid section V, 90-100 (NB 83 B 96)

East Alley, S section V, 90-100 (NB 83 B 97)

We next cut away another level of 10 cm in both middle sect. and south sect. This is level V and goes from 90 cm down to 1 meter. The pieces on the whole are very good, some sherds of the best Mycenaean work being found.

Between House M and F, Center Room I Pottery

Pottery Center Room I 0-20 12 Myc. Rest coarse and nondescript.

Between House M and F, Center Room I, 0-20 (NB 83 B 98)

The room formed by the north wall and west wall which I call Center Room (see plan p. 2) was excavated by a series of levels. The first was from 0-20 and very few sherds were found in this level.

Between House M and F, Center Room II, 20-35 (NB 83 B 99)

The sec. level was 20-35, more and better sherds were found.

Between House M and F, Center Room III, 35-50 (NB 83 B 100)

We went down another level and of 15 cm and brot up quite a fair amount of pottery. In the eastern part of this room I've uncovered a flooring or hearth extending {180} cm north and south and about a meter westward from the east wall of the room. This level (the 3rd) goes from 35-50 cm.

[James and Nakassis= this section written in purple pencil]

[AddN: July 1st. It appears that part of this hearth is a fallen brick wall. The bricks have evidently been burnt. I measured one to be 16.5 cm long and 10 cm wide]

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Saturday 24 June 1916

Had the usual five men. Very bad wind.

Between House M and F, Center Room IV, 50-70 (NB 83 B 101)

Went down another level in Center House. A few good painted pieces of LM I came up. Practically no Minyan. This is level no. IV and goes down from 50 to 70 cm.

East Alley, mid section VI, 100-120 (NB 83 B 102)

East Alley, S section VI, 100-120 (B 83 B 103)

We went down another level in East Aisle. Many fine pieces of the best period of Mycenaean ware were brot up. Many of the pieces we dug out by hand knives to insure their safety. This is level VI 100-120.

[James and Nakassis= It appears that Blegen and Scott have stopped excavating the northern section of the East Alley. See comments under East Alley, NError! Bookmark not defined. section II (NB 83 B 86)]

East Alley, mid section VII, 120-130 (NB 83 B 104)

Went down yet another level, fine pieces are yet found, but not so many as in level above. This is level VII and goes down 120-130. We took this level only in sect. middle.

West of House B, Long Room I, 0-32 (NB 83 B 105)

We dug up the room which I call the Long Room formed by the w wall, the south wall and the 2nd connecting wall. See plan pg. 2. The first level went down 32 cm. Not many sherds found.

[James and Nakassis= It is unknown when Scott revealed the 2nd connecting wall.]

West of House B, Long Room II, 32-41 (NB 83 B 106)

The sec. level went down 9 cm more 41 cm in all. At a depth of 33 cm we found a flooring in the northern part of the room.

West of House B, Long Room III, 41-52 (NB 83 B 107)

The southern part of the room we took down another level of 11 cm, 52 cm in all. The sherds from this level no. III were Mycenaean of a coarse nature. See pg 36 for comments on pottery.

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Monday 26 June 1916

East Alley, S section VII, 120-130 (NB 83 B 108)

We took the south sect. of East Aisle down to the VII level. As to the pottery see remarks pg. 33.

East Alley, mid section VIII, 130-145 (NB 83 B 109)

East Alley, S section VIII, 130-145 (NB 83 B 110)

Cut down both sections to Level VIII 130-145. The quantity of pottery did not diminish materially. As to quality there were many fine pieces of LM I and II but not so many as in level VI. Minyan begins to appear. One piece of ivory was brot up.

East Alley, mid section IX, 145-165 (NB 83 B 111)

The middle sect. we took down to level IX 145-165. Good painted pieces still appear, but there is considerable coarse pottery, with Minyan pieces here and there and red monochrome.

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House B

B House

[sketch of House B]

We dug out the little house formed by four walls within the space between the south wall, east wall and second connecting wall. See plan p. 2.

House B I, 0-27 (NB 83 B 112), floor

House B II, 27-37 (NB 83 B 113), second floor

House B III, 37-47 (NB 83 B 114), third floor

House B IV, 47-57 (NB 83 B 115), fourth floor

House B V, 57-67 (NB 83 B 116), fifth floor antedates house

This house is very small (see plan above) and the walls are only 27 cm wide on an average. The depth of the wall I can not yet ascertain. After we had gone down a depth of 27 cm we found a flooring within the house,

10 cm below this one we found a sec. flooring. A third floor was found 10 cm lower and fourth 10 cm lower. At 10 cm lower was found a fifth, but this last was under the wall and therefore antedates the house or at least the wall to the south. The pottery was as follows

House B I pottery

First layer Very coarse stuff

House B II pottery

Sec "Minyan, red monochrome, coarse

House B III pottery

Third layer mostly Minyan, several plain pieces

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House B IV pottery

Fourth layer some Minyan much coarse stuff

House B V pottery

Fifth layer Minyan and coarse pottery

West of House B, Long Room I pottery

Pottery Long Room

I 0-32

Late Mycenaean 20 typical
Lustral {kennel} types – about 6
Hieratic – " 6
Coarse and plain 100 sherds

West of House B, Long Room II pottery

II 32-41

Myc. late but indefinite 6
Minyan 1
Hieratic 1
Coarse indef. late plain ware 50
One chunk lead

Tuesday 27 June 1916

East Alley, S section IX, 145-165 (NB 83 B 117)

Yesterday we had taken the middle section of East Alley down to level IX 145-165. Today we completed the south section.

East Alley, mid section X, 165-180 (NB 83 B 118)

We took the middle sect. down also to level X 165-180. A few painted pieces of LM I were found, but most of the pottery was Minyan of the grey sort, of the yellow and of the so-called lustral-bowl type.

House F

We began to excavate the space between the East wall, wall c and wall B3. The north boundary of this space is a door, or what appears to be a threshold, in the East wall. See plan pg 3. I called this the (F) house. I divided it into four quarters.

[James and Nakassis= this is House F]

House F, 1st south section I, 0-15 (NB 83 B 119)

House F, 2nd section I, 0-15 (NB 83 B 120)

The first quarter (the one toward the south) I took down 15 cm. No floor was found. The pottery was rough surface stuff and was not kept. The same was true of the second quarter.

House F, 1st south section II, 15-30 (NB 83 B 121)

House F, 2nd section II, 15-30 (NB 83 B 122)

I now took the two quarters down 15 cm more, 30 in all. No floor was found, but a cross wall running east and west 2.80 m from the B3 wall was uncovered. The pottery is quite Minyan.

House F, 2nd section III, 30-40 (NB 83 B 123)

The second quarter I now took down 10 cm more, 40 in all. No floor was found. Pottery of same character as in 2^{nd} level. This is the III level.

House F, 1^{st} south section III, 30-40 (NB 83 B 124)

The first quarter I took down in the same way. At a depth of 36 I that I found flooring. However it is not very hard

[James and Nakassis= "in the same way" implies that he took this basket down to 40, but he may have stopped at the flooring. Scott does tend not to dig through floors and other features.]

House B I pottery (B 112)

Observations upon pottery in B house

I 0-25

5 Myc LM I-II

8 Minyan

8 Mattmalerei

6 Lustral

15 Nondescript

House B II pottery (B 113)

II 25-35 Sec. level inside of house

6 Minyan

3 black painted Myc. tech.

1 Lustral

6 Nondescript

2 Mattmalerei

House B III pottery (B 114)

III 35-45

13 Min.

1 Painted Myc.

1 Plain buff

5 nondescript

House B IV pottery (B 115)

IV 45-55

2 nondescript

3 Minyan

House B V pottery (B 116)

V 55-65

8 Minyan

1 Yellow Minyan

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House B outside West wall pottery (NB 83 B 125)

B house

Outside of West wall Depth ca. 50

8 Minyan

1 Black painted

2 Mattmalerei

4 nondescript

House B outside South wall pottery (NB 83 B 126)

Outside of South Wall Depth 55

10 Minyan

14 Black painted

2 Mattmalerei

6 nondescript

House B outside North wall pottery (NB 83 B 127)

From outside north wall Depth ca. 40

5 Minyan

19 Coarse plain pieces

[James and Nakassis= Scott has not described the baskets for these pottery sheets. We have assigned them numbers in sequence for the notebook; see our notes for this notebook.] NB83, p. 40

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House F

(F) house

House F, 3rd section I, 0-15 (NB 83 B 128)

House F, 4th section I, 0-15 (NB 83 B 129)

I took the 3rd and 4th quarters of (F) house down one level of 15 cm. The pottery was of a rough and nondescript character, therefore I "papsed" it.

At this level I found what seemed a floor, but as it was higher than the walls of the house it could not very well be the floor of the house, however. I left a small portion, undestroyed that it might be examined.

House F, 3rd section II, 15-30 (NB 83 B 130)

I now took the level down in the 3rd sect. another 15 cm (30 in all). Here I found another floor.

House F, 3rd section III, 30-33 (NB 83 B 131)

House F, 4th section II, 15-33 (NB 83 B 132)

I left a square of the flooring as a sample and took the 3rd and 4th sections down 3 cm more (33 cm in all). At this level I found a floor.

House F, 5th section I, 0-15 (NB 83 B 133)

We cleared the fifth section down 15 cm. Only coarse pottery was found.

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East Alley, S section X, 165-180 (NB 83 B 134)

East Alley, mid section X, 165-180 (NB 83 B 135)

East Aisle

Took the south sect. down to level X 165-180.

[James and Nakassis= While Scott doesn't explicitly take the middle section of the East Alley down to 180, it is assumed by later entries. It is unclear whether or not Scott is continuing to divide the different sections in the East Alley, but remarks seem to recognize a distinction between them; we have therefore supplied basket numbers for the middle and south sections.] [Tzonou-Herbst=East Alley, middle section had already been taken down to level X on June 27, Basket number assigned B118, so B135 is redundant and must be voided.]

East Alley, S section XI, 180-195 (NB 83 B 136)

East Alley, mid section XI, 180-195 (NB 83 B 137)

Took the Aisle down to level XI. Sherds are becoming scarcer, more rough pottery tho still some LM I pottery of a good painted sort. 180-195.

East Alley, S section XII, 195-210 (NB 83 B 138)

East Alley, mid section XII, 195-210 (NB 83 B 139)

Went to level XII 195-210. Good pieces scarce but a few are still brot up. One piece strangely enough looks like LM I. At this level in the middle section was found a carved or cut gem of black stone. The design represents a flying creature, possible a horse. [AddN: "[apparently refers by a misunderstanding to gem seal found in J V (cf. CWB p. 66)] C.W.B."]

[Tzonou-Herbst= Blegen refers to the gem in NB84, P66, published in Blegen 1921, p. 105, fig. 130, no. 7, now stored in PG case 2, drawer 11.]

East Alley, S section XIII, 210-220 (NB 83 B 140)

East Alley, mid section XIII, 210-220 (NB 83 B 141)

We next began the 13th level XIII 210-220.

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East Alley XIII continued

Finished East Aisle XIII 210-220.

East Alley, S section XIV, 220-235 (NB 83 B 142)

East Alley, mid section XIV, 220-235 (NB 83 B 143)

Next level XIV 220-235. We find some sherds painted with a light color on dark. A fairly large number of sherds still came up. Black painted ware, red monochrome, yellow and green Minyan and much nondescript.

East Alley, S section XV, 235-245 (NB 83 B 144)

East Alley, mid section XV, 235-245 (NB 83 B 145)

Went down to level XV 235-245. Three pieces MM III, many pieces of Mattmalerei.

East Alley, S section XVI, 245-255 (NB 83 B 146)

East Alley, mid section XVI, 245-255 (NB 83 B 147)

Went down level XVI 245-255.

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House F

(F) house

House F, 5th section II, 15-25 (NB 83 B 148)

We took the fifth section down 10 cm more making 25 cm total for the two levels. The pottery found was plain nondescript.

House F, following walls (NB 83 B 149)

Was busy most of the day in following walls to their close and in finding different floor levels. I will make a plan of the house.

[plan of F House]

[James and Nakassis= Scott merely mentions that they spent most of the day following walls to their close and finding floors. While he makes a plan of the house as it stands now, we cannot

reliably use this plan to reconstruct what Scott did for this basket, as he often adds to plans in the notebook after several days. For example, Scott didn't find the apse of House F until B 154.]

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Saturday 1 July 1916

East Alley, S section XVII, 255-275 (NB 83 B 150)

East Alley, mid section XVII, 255-275 (NB 83 B 151)

Went down levels XVII East Aisle

The depth was 255-275. One large basket was well filled with sherds. Seems to be mostly Minyan ware, grey and yellow, with much coarse stuff.

East Alley, S section XVIII, 275-285 (NB 83 B 152)

East Alley, mid section XVIII, 275-285 (NB 83 B 153)

We went down another level XVIII 275-285. A clay brick like block was found measuring 19 cm by 19 cm and 9 cm high. There was a depression in the center. Near was found an obsidian arrowhead. We did not finish this level today, so I will not write the depth of the level. So far as we have gone we have gone about 285.

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House F

F house

House F, apse (NB 83 B 154)

We dug out various walls at the north end of the megaron and found what seems to be an apse. See plan pg. 43. In thickness this apse is about 35 cm. There is a distance of 2.15 m between the center of the north wall of the megaron and the wall of the apse.

House F, pavement at south end, 0-28 (NB 83 B 155)

At the southern end of the house we uncovered a pebble pavement extending for about 2 m beyond the front wall, that is, the south wall, see next page.

House F pottery, 2nd section III (B 123)

Pottery F house Sec. quarter III 30-40 1 Min. 1 Mattmalerei 25 coarse nondescript

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Monday 3 July 1916

House F pavement, continued

F house

The pebble pavement which I spoke of on pg. 46 I find to be 28 cm below ground level and it seems to extend east and west for some distance so that it may well be a street.

[Tzonou-Herbst= Scott means pg. 45 and not 46.]

Minyan Court, South section I, 0-15 (NB 83 B 156)

We began to excavate the space immediately east of house F. This space has more the appearance of an alley or court between houses than of a house. For want of a better name I call it Minyan Court and began to excavate the south section which section is formed by a wall 4.50 m from the south end of the court, see plan pg. 43. This first level, (coarse stuff found) went down 15 cm.

Minyan Court, South section II, 15-30 (NB 83 B 157)

The second layer 15 cm more 30 cm in all. More coarse and nondescript ware. One Minyan pot entire but for the handles was found. At the second level traces of walls began to appear.

Minyan Court, South section III, 30-40 (NB 83 B 158)

We next went down to the 3rd level 30-40. Fair amount of pottery. Predominately Minyan with some coarse ware.

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East Alley XVIII continued (baskets 152-153)

East Aisle

We finished level XVIII. The fragments were put into a basket by themselves, so that with yesterday's and today's fragments from level XVIII there are two baskets.

East Alley, S section XIX, 285-295 (NB 83 B 159)

East Alley, mid section XIX, 285-295 (NB 83 B 160)

We next went down level XIX [MN in purple pencil: 285-295]. But few sherds were found at this level except in a hole in the south section. In the level immediately above this hole some fragments were found and in the hole some good fragments of Urfirnis bowls also part of an ivory pin.

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Minyan Court, South section IV, 40-50 (NB 83 B 161)

Minyan Court

We went down level IV 40-50. The sherds are mostly Minyan ware. A good clay strainer was found, in perfect preservation, it is 6 cm high. The last two levels laid bare two parallel walls in this section, besides other scattered masses of stone.

Gave Manoli 50 lefta for strainer

[Tzonou-Herbst= For the strainer see Blegen 1921, p. 31, fig. 45, no. 2, now stored in the Old Museum]

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[James and Nakassis= Scott only mentions that he is limiting himself to the south section in B 156; I have assumed, perhaps wrongly, that he is continuing to excavate only the southern section.]

[Tzonou-Herbst= I believe he excavates only the south section because Scott describes successive levels.]

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Room North of House M, NW section II, 24 –42 (NB 83 B 162)

North house to M

We began to dig down in the west section of the North room to M house in the hope of finding pottery and establishing levels and stratifications better. See plan p. 20. On June 10th we had gone down 24 cm.

[James and Nakassis= this is our NB 83 B 64.]

The first level we took down today was level 24-42. This is level II, counting 0-24 as level one. The pottery was Mycenaean of a poor quality.

Room North of House M, NW section III, 42-57 (NB 83 B 163), floor destroyed

We next went down level III 42-57. Here we found fragments of a very large pythos

[James and Nakassis= sic for pithos],

a stone bowl and some smaller fragments. At this level we found a good floor which might have been the floor of the house. We destroyed it.

Room North of House M, NW section IV, 57-72 (NB 83 B 164)

Level IV 57-72. Fragments are Mycenaean of a rather nondescript character. Level unfinished today.

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Room North of House M, NW section IV, continued

North room to M Finished level IV 57-72.

Room North of House M, NW section V, 72-90 (NB 83 B 165)

Next, level V 72-90. Much coarse pottery and some fine painted pieces.

Room North of House M, NW section IV, wall

At level IV we found a wall running north and south in the center of our pit so that from now on the space down which we can dig will be limited. [James and Nakassis**Error! Bookmark not defined.**= this wall is not on Dinsmoor's plan] [Tzonou-Herbst=Nor is it on the plan on p. 20.]

Room North of House M, NW section VI, 90-110 (NB 83 B 166)

Went down level VI 90-110. Poor sherds, several painted sherds of LM I.

Room North of House M, NW section VII, 110-130 (NB 83 B 167)

Level VII 110-130. Sherds poor stuff.

Room North of House M, NW section VIII, 130-150 (NB 83 B 168)

Level VIII 130-150. Large coarse pieces.

[James and Nakassis**Error! Bookmark not defined.**= on page 52 Scott announces that he is terminating excavations in the West section of the room North of House M, due to lack of pottery.]

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MinyanError! Bookmark not defined. Court

MinyanError! Bookmark not defined. Court

MinyanError! Bookmark not defined. Court, south, following two walls I, 0-25 (NB 83 B 169)

MinyanError! Bookmark not defined. Court, south, following two walls II, 25-50 (NB 83 B 170)

We dug a trench southward from the center of the south end of the court in order to follow two walls which had been found yesterday running north and south thru the center of the court. See plan pg. 43. The wall to the east is well made of several courses of stone, the one to the west is of one course only. The better wall extends south as far as the pavement or road which I mention at top of page 46 and then turns westward. Two levels

were observed in this trench each of 25 cm. The pottery is mainly Minyan.

The second one course wall seems to merge into a cobble stone pavement about 4 cm lower than pavement of pebbles. See plan pg. 43. Under this pavement I found the greater part of a large coarse pot.

[James and Nakassis**Error! Bookmark not defined.**= these levels are below B 31 and B 158]

Minyan Court, North section I, 0-30 (NB 83 B 171)

MinyanError! Bookmark not defined. Court, North section II, 30-60 (NB 83 B 172)

Trench at north end of MinyanError! Bookmark not defined. Court.

I dug a trench about 2 m wide at the north end of Minyan**Error! Bookmark not defined.** court, to try to find a place free from walls that I might sink a shaft. We extended the trench northward for 4.75 meters but found a wall all the way. See plan pg. 43. There were two levels. One 0-30. Other 30-60.

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Thursday 6 July 1916

Room north of House M

As the pit at the room north of M house (see pg. 50) was not giving much in the way of pottery, we abandoned it.

[James and Nakassis**Error! Bookmark not defined.**= This makes NB 83 B 168 the last basket in this area, 1.50 m below ground]

MinyanError! Bookmark not defined. Court, north, House beneath House F

The trench at north end of Minyan**Error! Bookmark not defined.** Court had uncovered, as I said on page 51, a wall running north and south, on closer examination I came to the conclusion that we have here the remains of a Minyan house at a lower level than F and like F it appears to have an apse. See plan page 43. These walls are well made and evidently are of a good period.

North Alley

We began to dig down in the section measuring 3.80 by 3.80 meters, roughly directly west of Shore House. See pg 2 and 24. The purpose of this dig is to find pottery.

North Alley I, 0-20 (NB 83 B 173)

I level 0-20

North Alley II, 20-35 (NB 83 B 174)

II level 20-35

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East Alley stratification plan

A portion of the west face of East Alley to show stratification

[section drawing]

[Tzonou-Herbst= Scott's section redrawn by A. K. Orlandos was reproduced in Blegen 1921, p. 128, Figure 134.]

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Saturday 8 July 1916

North Alley

North Alley III, 35-60 (NB 83 B 175)

III level 35-60

North Alley IV, 60-80 (NB 83 B 176)

IV = 60-80

North Alley V, 80-100 (NB 83 B 177)

V = 80-100

[MN for levels III-V: very poor sherds]

North Alley VI, 100-120 (NB 83 B 178)

VI = 100-120 Fair amount of sherds, but pretty coarse.

At this last level we came upon a good floor also a wall forming an apse. Whether the sides of the apse run north and south or east and west I can not tell as yet. As the floor seemed too high to be the floor belonging to the apse I went on thru it.

[James and Nakassis**Error! Bookmark not defined.**= presumably this "apse" is the curved wall shown on Dinsmoor's plan. The connection between the North Alley and NB 83 B 79 (see page 28) is very confusing. According to Scott's records, he dug a trench westward from the center of the west wall of Shore House: this is exactly where the North Alley is. Moreover, Scott reports a wall at 70 cm below ground in B 79, while the apse is at least 1 m below ground. Perhaps the North Alley is an expansion of B 79, and the wall from B 79 was removed or turned out not to be a wall at all. Scott's plan of the North Alley on p. 57 does not clarify the situation at all, as none of the walls on the plan are 70 cm below ground.]

[Tzonou-Herbst=One of the walls in Scott's plan on p. 57 is ca. 80 cm below ground., and runs along the south side of the trench. Presumambly this is the wall Scott revealed with B79 and then he expanded the trench north and found the apse.]

Trench Q I, 0-20 (NB 83 B 179)

Trench Q (Blegen's)

Went down first level of 20 cm. Practically no pottery in form of sherds found. Found however a small cup nearly complete and a small vase nearly complete. Both appear to be of unpainted ware.

[James and Nakassis**Error! Bookmark not defined.**= Trench Q is located 25 m west of P. Blegen first discusses it in NB 84, page 92, under the date heading of 10 July 1916.] NB83, p. 56

Monday 10 July 1916

North Alley

North Alley VII, 120-140 (NB 83 B 180)

Level VII 120-140. Pottery poor. Mostly large coarse pieces.

North Alley VIII, 140-180 (NB 83 B 181)

Level VIII 140-180 Nondescript coarse pottery

Have come to the conclusion that floor mentioned on pg 54 belongs to the apse

See pg. 57 for plan

Trench X, east extension I, 0-40 (NB 83 B 182)

Trench X Blegen's

Set two men to dig an extension eastward from Trench X, to find out more of the walls. The first level was I 0-40. The fragments brot up were quite mixed. There were Minyan, Mycenaean and Greek all in the first layer.

[Tzonou-Herbst= Blegen started digging Trench X 100 m west of P down the western slope of the hill on July 3, 1916 (NB84, P77).]

MinyanError! Bookmark not defined. Court, north extension A (NB 83 B 183)

We extended the trench of Minyan Court farther to the north (pg. 43). This laid bare a confusing mass of walls. I came to the conclusion that what I thot was an apse of a Minyan house at the north end of Minyan Court is not an apse at all.

This digging brot up one basket of pottery, for the greater Minyan. [James and Nakassis**Error! Bookmark not defined.**= Scott presumably means to write "...for the greater part Minyan"]

Rough Plan of North Alley.

Depth is given from ground level.

[sketch of apse in North Alley with depths of walls specified]

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Tuesday 11 July 1916

MinyanError! Bookmark not defined. court, north extension B (NB 83 B 184)

I extended Minyan**Error! Bookmark not defined.** Court father northward, so that Minyan Court with its extensions is 14 ½ meters in length. I made quite certain today that the wall of the Minyan House, at this level, is straight and that it does not form an apse. At the extreme north end of this trench I found fragments of two walls forming a corner – see plan page 43. At a depth of 23 cm, I found a hard stratum that looks like a floor extending for 6 meters along the east side of the Court. The pottery found above this floor was of a coarse kind, predominantly Minyan.

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60 from S house 85 from south wall extent 50 cm, running NW by SE depth below wall (S) 50

1m south of north wall 50cm width 70cm below north wall

[sketch of walls]