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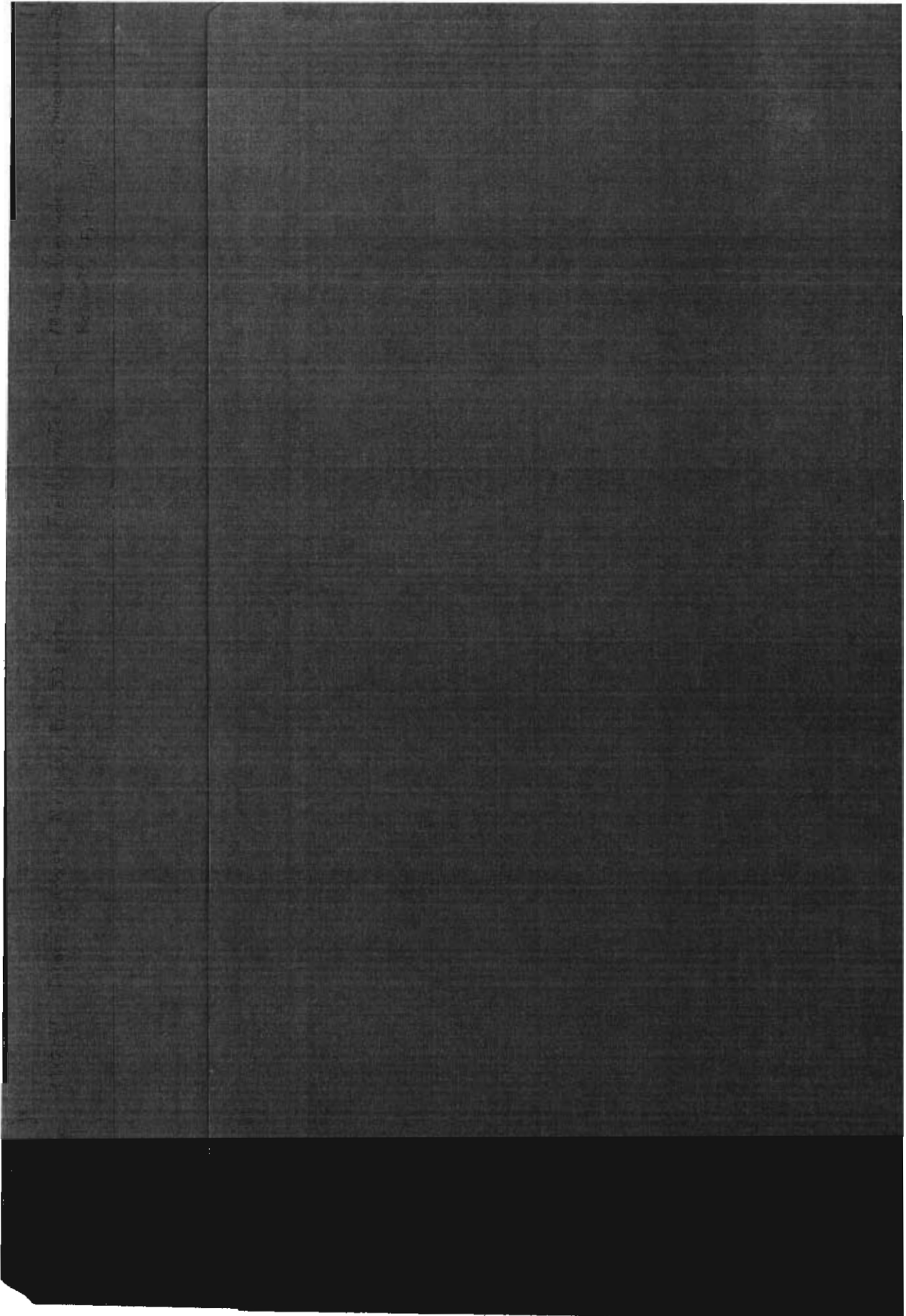
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Geo. ref heights.

93.5
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B, C, d, test trenches to find well.

NX

NR

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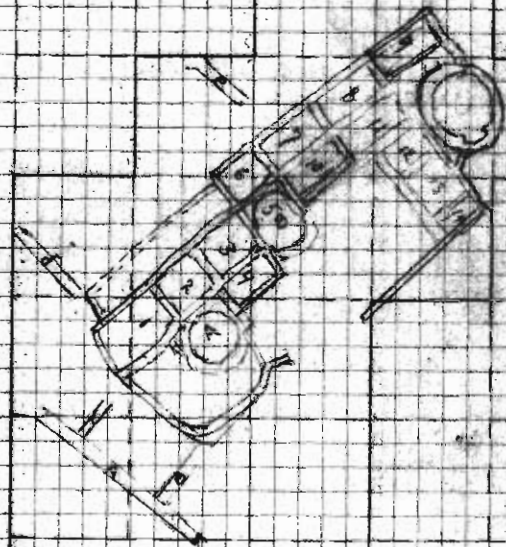
W5

B.M.

E5

E10

E15



Started work morning of Aug. 5. First cleared brush and loose stones from mound. Laid out grid with 25' foot square bench mark arbitrarily, designated 100' levels of other pegs in relation to this. Made collection of surface sherd.

Started trenching in P.M. to outline building.

Large slab for foundation corner stone at NW corner of under wall.

Similar slab under NE corner of addition at East end of building, N.E. cor. of Room 9.

Rooms 6, 7, 8, possibly 5-10, 10, appear to be an addition to all unit underlying 1, 2, 3, 4.

Room A unusually deep. Possibly due to its being chamber in original substructure and continued in use in later portion.

Metates both flat slab with shallow trough and thick block with deep trough.

Room 1, (Winfield, A)

Room 2, (Baby, R.)

Possibly an abandoned room.

Pump debris in lower part of room, debris of decay in upper,
blacked door in west wall.

Small amount of shards etc. in fill.

Bad break in West wall, plugged with large boulders, plaster debris.

Small section of floor along wall at west end, remainder broken.

etc.

Piece of matting in fill. Same type as on infant burial in R. 6.
Unusually good impressions of matting and of cord ceiling in plaster
from this room.

Burial in N.E. corner, adult, head to S.E. En-
closed in masonry wall covered with poles and matting.
Matting in very poor condition. $\frac{1}{2}$ P.O.T., bowl at
right side of head.

Room 3, (Anderson and Myte)

Room used as dump.

Placed T-shape door in South wall.

Room 4, (Sunderland, Mrs. F.)

Dump room

Blocked doorway in N. wall, Rough blocking 2' opposite side in room 3 South face. Probable that door was blocked while 3 was occupied in order that 4 could be used as dump room and for that reason fill was not finished on Room 4 side.

Good plaster on walls, Numerous coats

Room 5 (Kiva B) (Jane Leonard)

Originally identified as a room but subsequently found to be a
Kiva. No question but what room was made over into Kiva.

Filled doorway in West wall (?). Seemed to have led into R. 4 but
no indication of such in latter as wall in question was covered
with plaster.

Room 6. (Greenwood and Morgan)

Room used as dump. Debris slopes from S.E. corner
Large mat on slope midway to fill. (Photo)

Refuse dumped in S.E. corner of room and fanned out from
that point.

Infant burial in fill covered with mat and leather cloth. Both poor.
Child burial beneath pile and slab covered. Against west wall.

Unusually clear stratification in debris.

Room 7 (stern, T)

Rock, plaster and sand fill indicates occupied room.
Basin of Baul in fill along North wall 5.3' below P.M.
Basin cracked by fill, broken by workman's shovel, was
sitting just above floor level.

Room 8 (Weiss Pol.)

Dirt of fill blown sand with some stone & plaster.

Probably an occupied room.

Excavated in upper fill. Large basin sand walls deeply burned.

Portions of bent timbers along east wall, not charred.

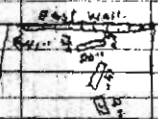
Upper fire basin 34" from north wall, east edge of basin

52" from west wall. Layer of charcoal and charred needles

3" thick. Maybe burnt foot material(?) rather than true

fire pits.

Roof Timbers:



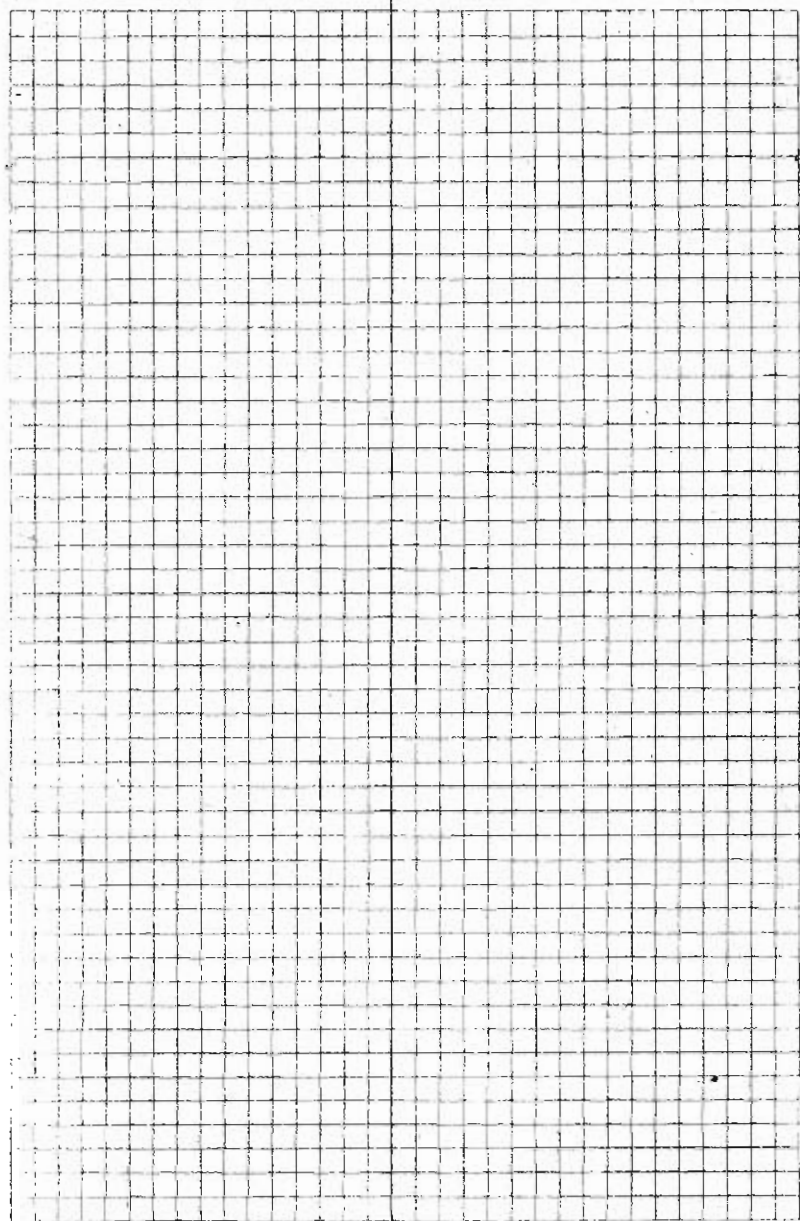
Poles some soft wood, willow

approx. 2 1/2" in diameter.

Pieces intermixed with rocks.

Two floors separated by layer of thick sand.

Room 9



Room 10 (Anderson-Jake Trojillo)

T-shaped door, filled in, in South wall.
Upside down metate along East wall, R.M. 6-810, 55" down
Large slab leaning against wall back of metate, slab pecked to
make metate, not finished.

Broken metate and large slab just above floor
in dump debris.

Room 11 (J. Tequila Atkins, Stein)

Upper portion of fill mostly rubble.

Some sand and ash on floor.

Piece of plank on floor, $22\frac{3}{4}$ - 23 " long, $4\frac{1}{8}$ - $4\frac{3}{4}$ " wide, $\frac{1}{2}$ " thick, probably pine.

Top of board $5\frac{3}{4}$ " below

B.M.



Bene. Q.W.I., $1\frac{3}{4}$ " from E. wall, $2\frac{1}{2}$ " from N. wall, $5\frac{1}{2}$ " below B.M.

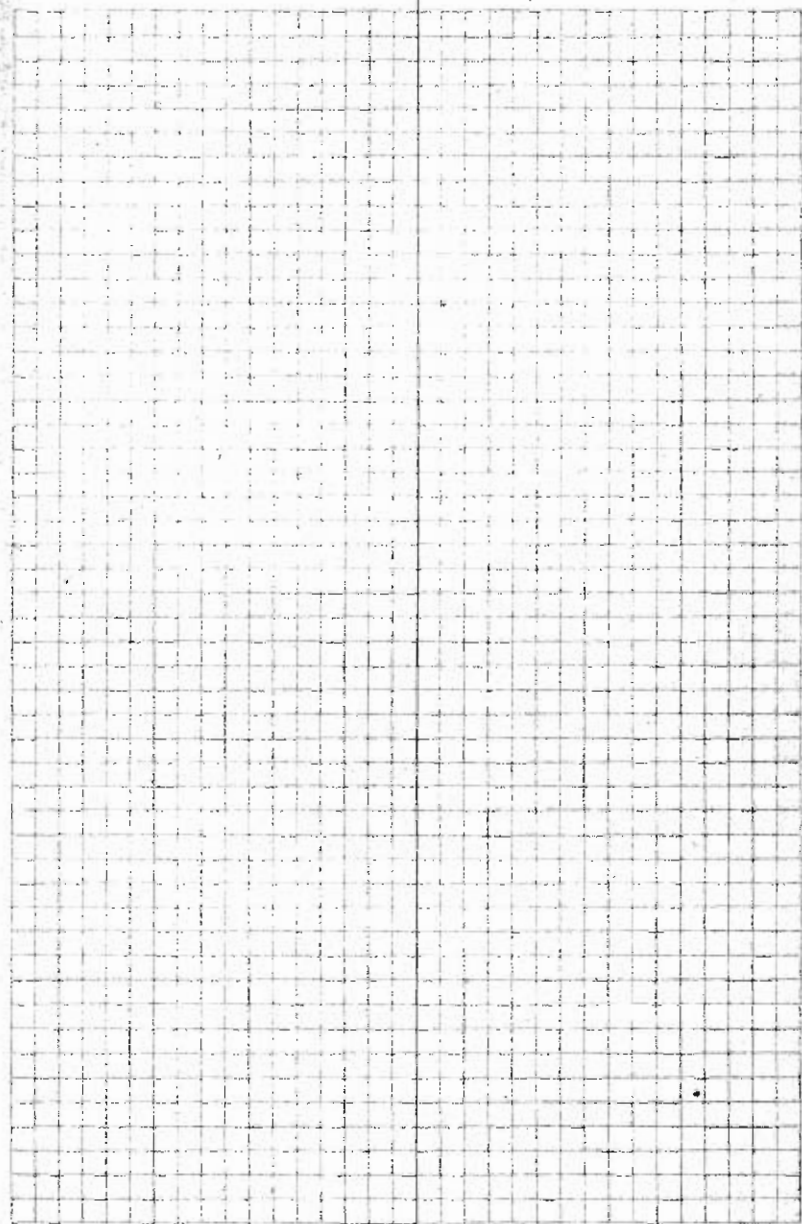
Two soft spots in floor, not fire pits. Probably due to secondary floor level with loose fill between.

Room 12

The right page of the notebook is covered in a large grid of graph paper. The grid consists of small squares, with a larger margin at the top and bottom. The grid is used for drawing or calculations.

Room 13

(wise)



Room 14

(wise)

S.E. + N.E. Wall foundations at much higher level
than N.W. S.E. wall shuts latter

Fill of shale below floor

No definite fire pit.