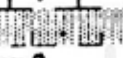


Locus L 9991	Dor 1993	Fld G ₁	Sq A331	Loc. type Destruction Layer
Open 03/08/93	Date	High at 13.34 W ₁	Low at 13.16 E ₁	Seals: _____
Close 03/08/93		High at 13.216 E ₁	Low at 13.01 W ₁	Sealed by: L991P
Floor: type _____		Width 0.6	Vol 	Locl L991P
Length 2.3		Remove 1/1/1	Drawn? _____	above _____
Value S ₁				below _____
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Written by: SGO		Checked by: JRZ		below _____

Unit _____	Phase _____	Stage _____	Stratum _____	PoM _____
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Summary _____

Opened: When the bottom of the ash fill of L9910 was reached.

Limits (N) Bank between A331 and A332.
(S) L9984 to the SW, line of W9964 to the SE, and L9966 in the SE corner.
(E) L9966
(W) Pedestal beneath L9025, the Roman drain feature.

Closed: L9991 was brought down to level of adjacent loci: L9984 and L9966. End of Season.
 Not closed.

Matrix: Very soft soil, with vivid colors - orange, red, purple, deep brown, and tan. Baked mudbrick fragments, extremely mixed lenses. Clearly differentiated from the deposit of uniform grey ash above. A thin layer of "typical" brown mudbrick debris was found in section directly above the destruction deposit, and below L9910.

Relations: L9991 is covered by L9910. The transitions from the grey ash deposit of L9910, through the thin layer of mudbrick soil at the top of L9991, and into the destruction material are all clearly demarcated in section of the N bank. Thus, the destruction deposit, at least in this area, may be sealed by the thin layer of mudbrick debris immediately below L9910. To the E, L9991 appears to continue underneath L9966 (i.e. L9966 covers the continuation of the matrix of L9991). To the S, L9991 also appears to continue underneath L9984 (same relation as with L9966). To the SE, the relation between L9991 and the line of W9964, and W9952, is unclear. At the end of the '93 season, the N most extent of W9964 had yet to be determined. A hypothetical guess, however, is that the destruction deposit of L9991 will prove to continue underneath both W9952 and W9964. L9991 covers unnumbered and unexcavated material below.

[L9991] seems to continue into the pedestal below drain 9025. It also continues into A332, see: 9737, 9765, 9779, 9795, 9826, 9829, 9832.

INTERPRETATION: Based on the profile of L9910 and L9991 in section, it appears that the top of L9991 represents an ancient ground surface upon which L9910 was piled. This surface was of mudbrick-like soil, which was either purposefully laid, was built up over time, or accumulated naturally between the deposition of the destruction material below, and L9910 above.

Additional Observations/Value: The uneven top elevations of L9991 reflect the heights at which the ash deposit of L9910 ended. Value of this locus for stratigraphic analysis is high.

L 9991

Clo. St Lc

Ele. Df St Ob Ma R C P1 P2 P3

13.01 dl sh cr 3 s ir1
old for restoration next year.

13.01 dl ma bn s

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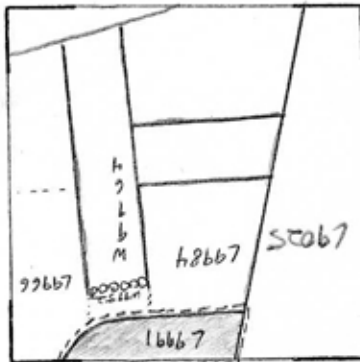
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Sketch plan 1667