

William Peay property, Site 11, W Provo, Utah Co., Utah.  
~~near my father's~~ Sept 18, 1934

Excavation of section 8, Site 11.

The north face of this excavation indicated an irregular stratum 2 until it reached the northeast corner when it lay directly above the deposit of roofing material, a mass 2' x 2', where it became more uniform in width.

Beneath the fallen roof material and extending westerly and southerly beyond (for 20") was a well defined ash level (stratum 5) interspaced with 6 clay streaks (periods of occupancy?). From this ash and clay deposit the level sloped upward to the other three corners of the excavation. On the outer limits potted clay occurred as if by water action and the irregular ash deposits indicated that the deposits may be on the outside of the dwelling.

On the S face of the excavation, stratum 2 averaged 8" below the top of the mound (a function of mound curvature). The layer was irregular in thickness and not uniform in its deposition. Ten inches lower, <sup>than stratum 2</sup> and higher than the equivalent floor level (some layer) was exposed. This stratum was on a gradual upward slope bearing out our deduction that the floor of the dwelling was scooped out and had a bowl-like rim.

The west face of the excavation duplicated the profile of the south face except a fire pit was built against the west wall? The rim was formed of chunks of roofing clay, some of which had pole imprints. The chunks formed a rim approximately 3" wide edging a pit 3' 7" in diameter. Hand patted clay with finger imprints of the craftsman held the chunks to form a well shaped fire pit. Fire layer occupied the pit. An exploratory shaft 18" deep was dug on the south border of the fire pit through stratum 6 to gumbo clay. The fire pit extended to its center N-S line beyond which it did not exist. We contemplated as to why the fire pit was not completed unless it was controlled by a wall.

An obsidian arrow point 3" x 1 3/16", unnotched, was uncovered from the ash of the northeast corner of this excavation (stratum 5). Also bone tools, potsherds, beads and arrow points were recovered from this level.