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Club News

The meeting for the month of May was held jointly with the Tarrant County Archaeological Society at the Children's Museum on Friday, May 11, 1956 at 7:30 PM. Dr. Charlie Steen, President of the Texas Archaeological Society, was the speaker. He made a talk on Early Man Sites in The United States and showed a good group of colored slides on the sites discussed. It was a real pleasure to have Charlie with the two groups.

The June meeting of the Dallas Archaeological Society will be our annual picnic and will be held this year on Friday June 15, 1956 at Lake Lavon in Collin County. Those who plan to attend should be at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Wilson by 7:30 PM on June 15, 1956 and we will all drive from their home to Lake Lavon. This meeting will also be the business meeting and election of officers for the next year.

Mr. R. K. Harris and Mr. and Mrs. Lester Wilson made a trip to Poverty Point Site and Sam Kaufman Site on the week end of May 12, 1956. Two or three hundred artifacts were found at Poverty Point and a nice grave was found and excavated at the Kaufman Site. The paper printed in this issue is on the grave found at the Kaufman Site.

Dr. Alex Krieger, Dr. E. H. Sellards, Dr. Jack Hughes and Dr. Charlie Steen have visited the Lewisville Site and all were impressed by the site. The carbon material from Hearths 1 and 2 are now in the Humble Laboratory at Houston and we should have the dates in about six months.

## BURIAL 17, THE SAM KAUFMAN SITE, 1983-2

On May 13, 1956 the writers made a field trip to the Sam Kaufman Site in Red River County. At the lower cave-in a burial was located. This burial was given a number and will be known as Burial 17. Burial 17 was located about 3 feet west of Burial 16 which was excavated by Mr. John Perkins in June 1955.

At this location a wash was cutting back into the bluff and excavation was difficult. Burial 17 was found at a depth of 4' - 10" and was fully extended on the back with head to the north. The skeleton was in pretty good shape and the skull and the long bones were removed for study. This burial seems to be the remains of an adult male about 35 to 45 years old. The skeleton measured 5' - 4" in length. The skull was artificially deformed.

Offerings placed with the burial consisted of four pottery vessels and two pottery pipes. These are described as follows:

Vessel 1 - A shell tempered vessel of the type Keno Trilled was found by the side of the right foot. It was placed on its side and had a hill hole punched in the side that was down. This hole was punched from the inside of the vessel. This vessel is shown on Plate I.

Vessel 2 - A shell tempered, red filmed, vessel of the type Avery Engraved was found at the left side of the head. This vessel is shown on Plate II.

Vessel 3 - A shell tempered, red filmed, vessel of the type Bailey Engraved was found just to the left of the left shoulder. This vessel is shown on Plate III.

Vessel 4 - A shell tempered plain miniature waterbottle with pottery stopper was found in between the knees. The bottle is of black pottery and the stopper is yellow-orange in color. In shape this vessel would be classed as a waterbottle but it is hard to see how it would be practical to use a piece this small. It probably was used as a container for some type of medicine. This vessel is shown on Plate III.

Pipe 1 - A shell tempered plain pipe was found just above Vessel 1 at the right foot. In color this pipe is brown. The tempering material is leached out leaving a rough surface. The pipe shows some evidence of being smoked as the inside of the bowl is black. This pipe is shown on Plate IV.

Pipe 2 - A shell tempered plain pipe was found just above Vessel 1 at the right foot. In color this pipe is red to brown. It was well polished and the inside of the bowl is very black and has some cake left in place. This pipe was used for smoking for some time. This pipe is shown on Plate IV.

Vessels 1 and 2 were the most symmetrical in shape and had the best made designs. The other vessels and the pipes were somewhat off in shape and design.

This burial appears to be closely related to Texarkana or McCurtain Foci. It appears to be late in time as judged from the presence of Keno Trilled vessel. This burial is unusual as was Burial 16 in that there were no Simms Engraved vessels in the burial.

A diagram of Burial 17 is shown below.

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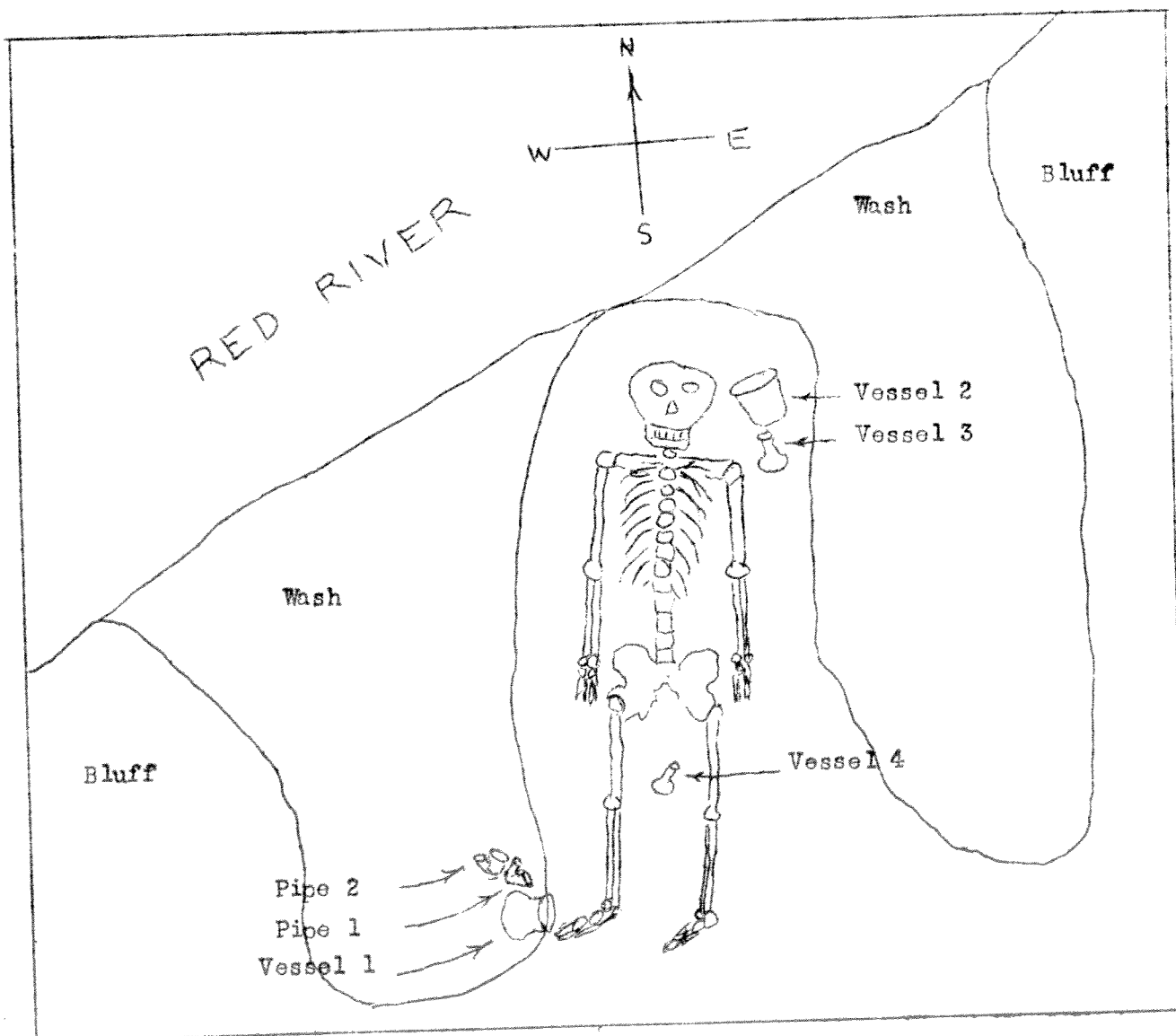
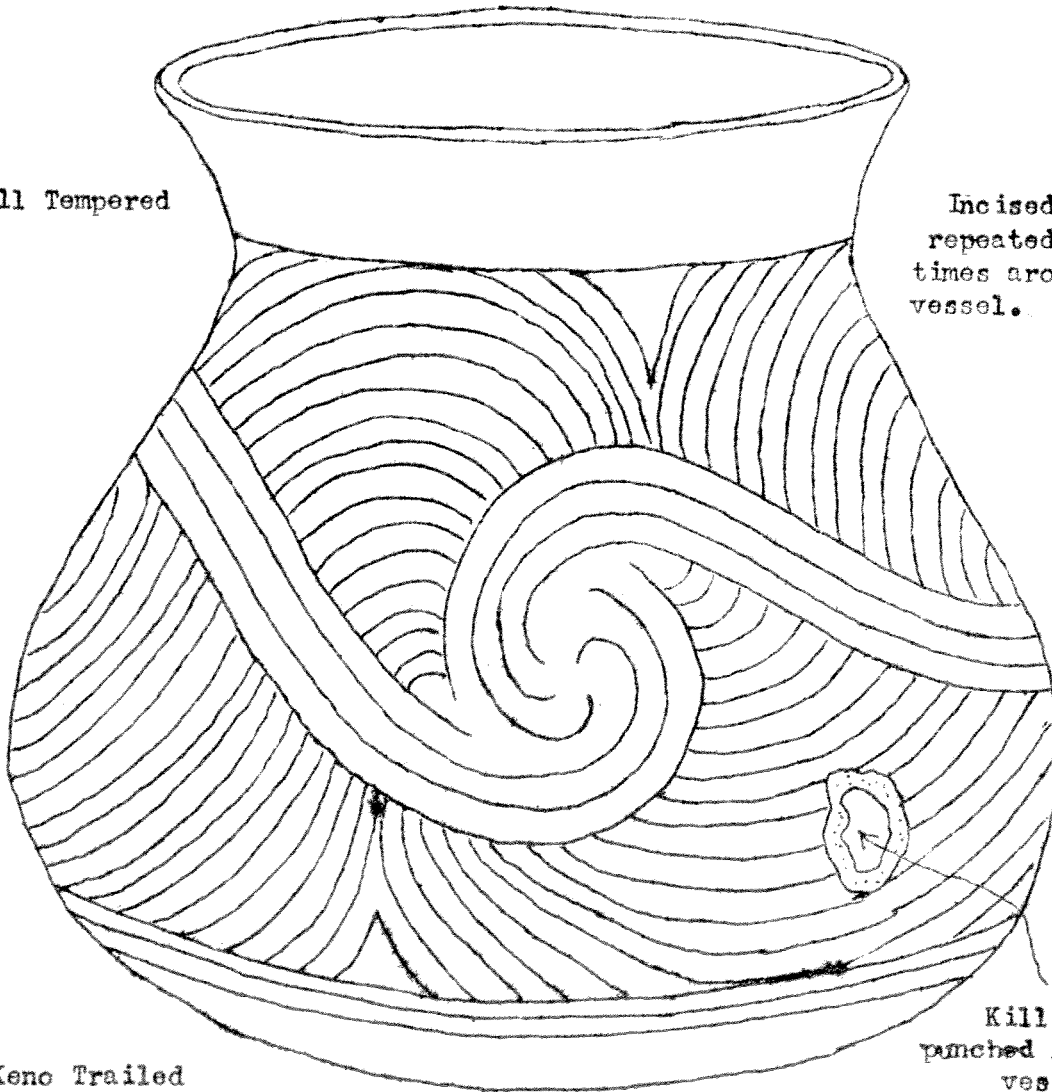


Diagram of Burial 17 Site 19B3-2

Shell Tempered

Incised design  
repeated four  
times around the  
vessel.

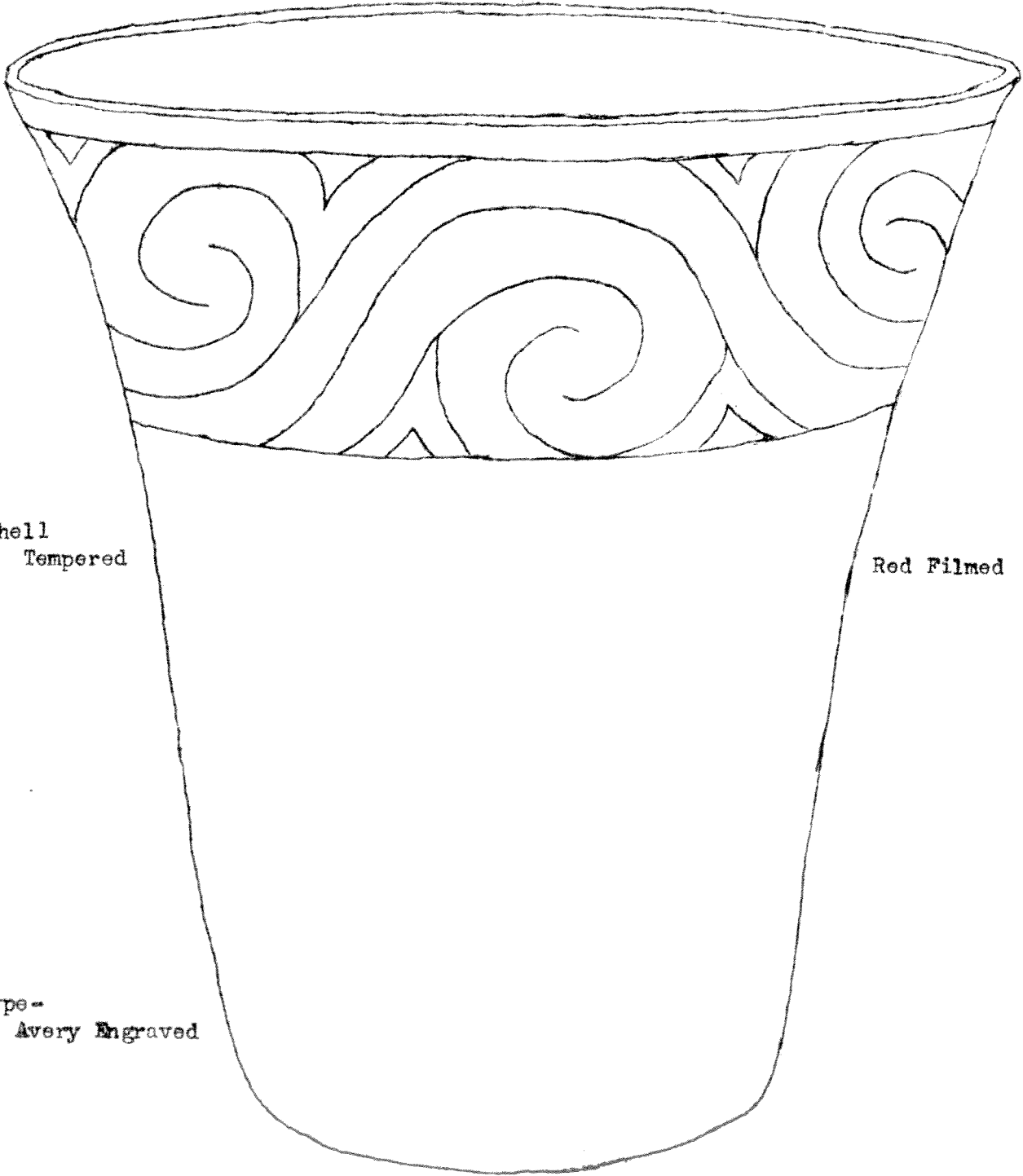


Type- Keno Trailed

Kill Hole  
punched in side of  
vessel

Vessel 1 Burial 17 Site 19B3-2

Plate I  
Scale - Full Size



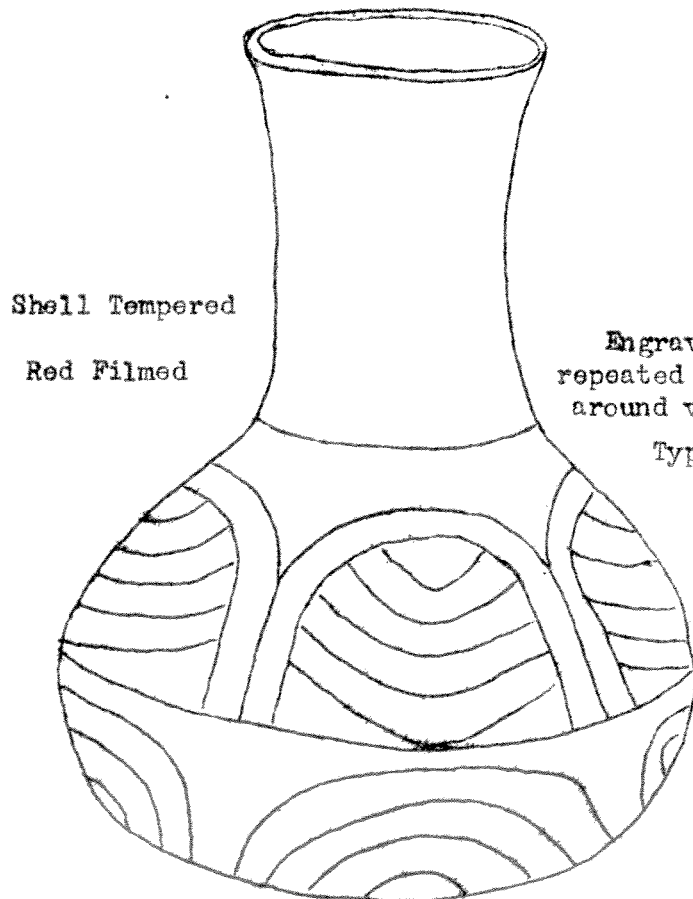
Shell  
Tempered

Red Filmed

Type -  
Avery Engraved

Vessel 2 Burial 17 Site 19B3-2

Plate II  
Scale  $\frac{3}{4}$ " = 1"



Shell Tempered  
Red Filmed

Engraved Design  
repeated four times  
around vessel

Type- Bailey Engraved

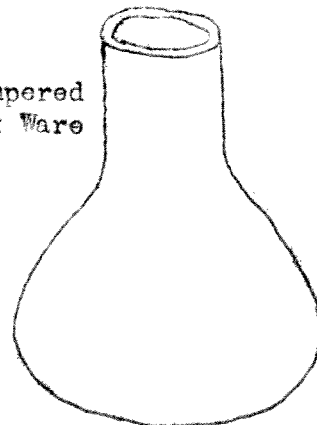
Vessel 3 Burial 17 Site 19B3-2

Stopper

Shell Tempered  
Color- Yellow-  
orange



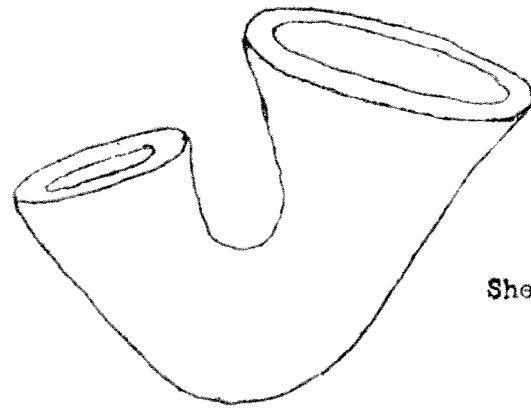
Shell Tempered  
Plain Black Ware



Vessel 4 Burial 17  
Site 19B3-2

Plate III

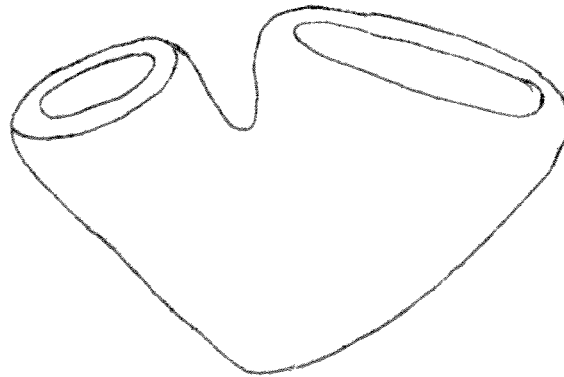
Scale Full Size



Shell Tempered

Pipe 1 Burial 17

Site 19B3-2



Shell Tempered

Pipe 2 Burial 17

Site 19B3-2

Plate IV  
Scale Full Size