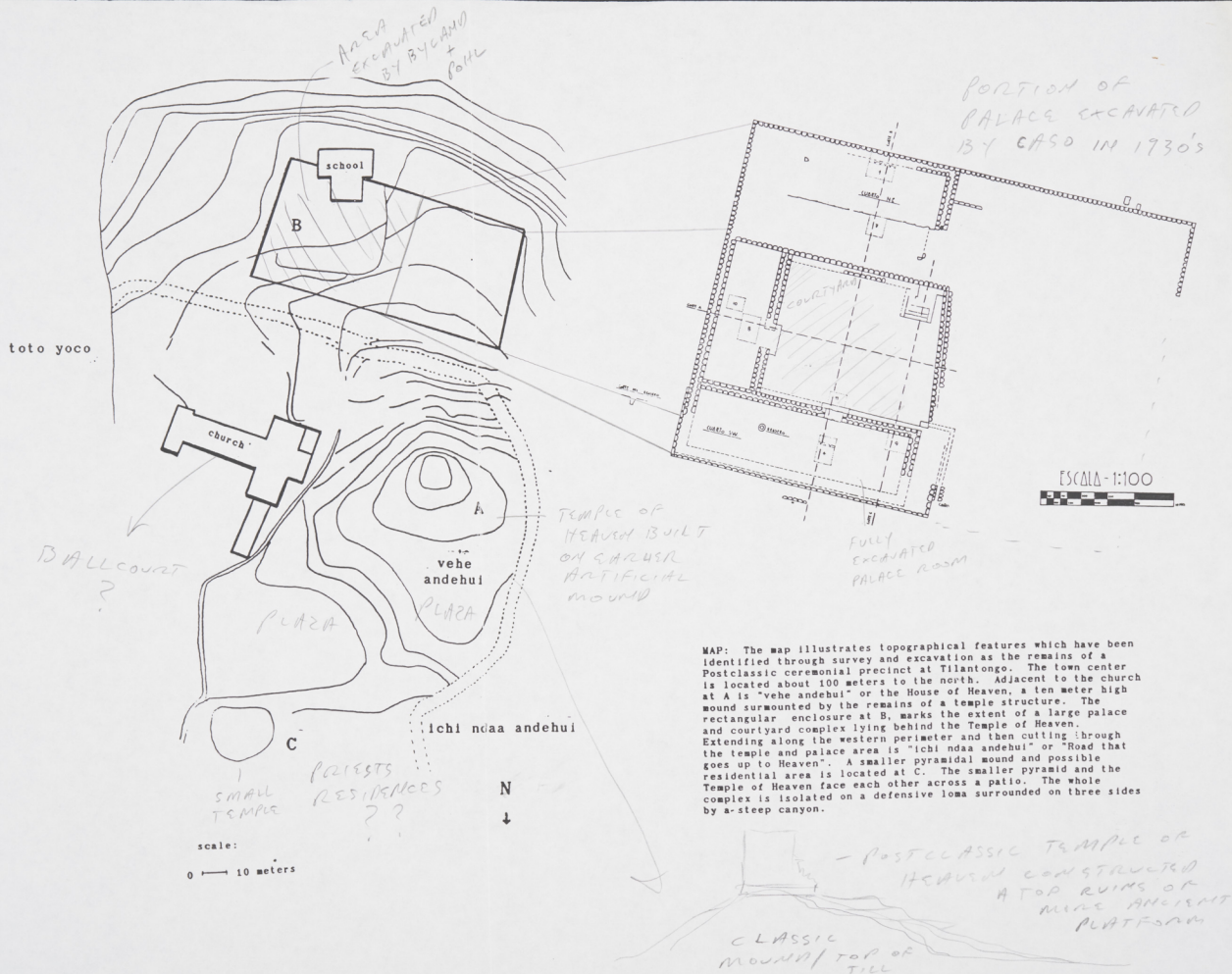




MAP: The map illustrates topographical features which have been identified through survey and excavation as the remains of a Postclassic ceremonial precinct at Tilantongo. The town center is located about 100 meters to the north. Adjacent to the church at A is "vehe andehui" or the House of Heaven, a ten meter high mound surrounded by the remains of a temple structure. The rectangular enclosure at B, marks the extent of a large palace and courtyard complex lying behind the Temple of Heaven. Extending along the western perimeter and then cutting through the temple and place area is "ichi ndaa andehui" or "Road that goes up to Heaven". A smaller pyramidal mound and possible residential area is located at C. The smaller pyramid and the Temple of Heaven face each other across a patio. The whole complex is isolated on a defensive loma surrounded on three sides by a steep canyon.