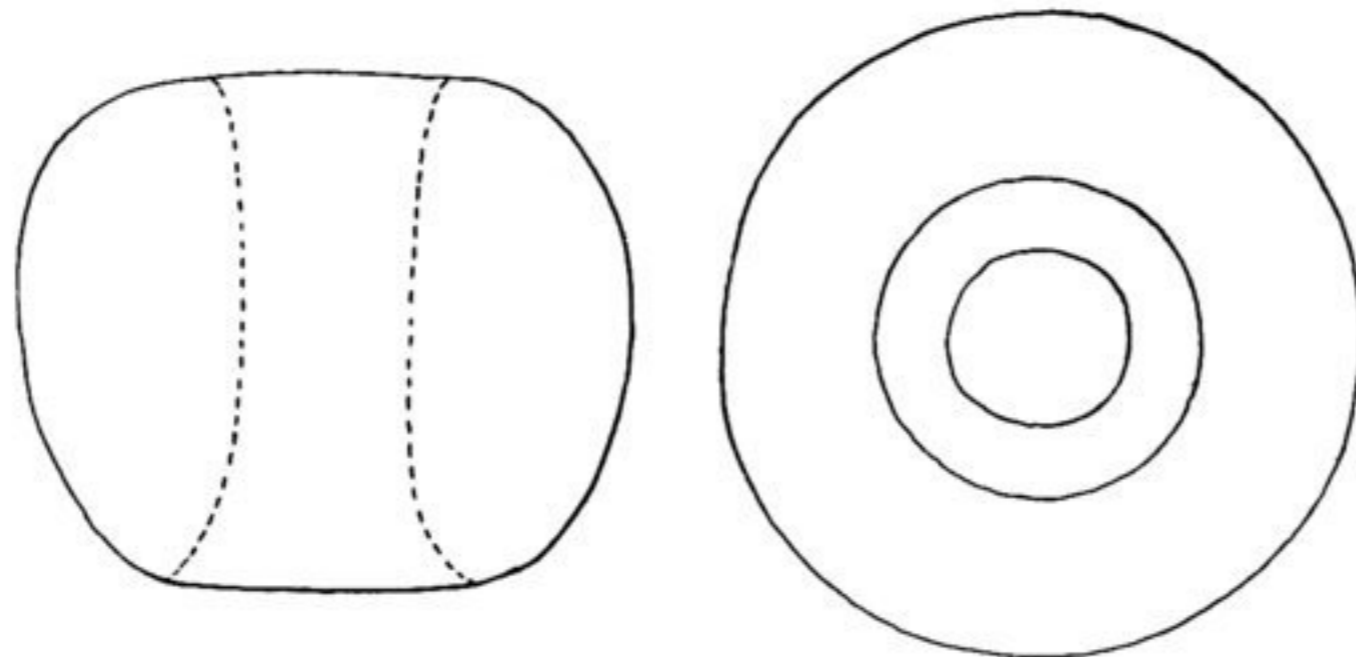
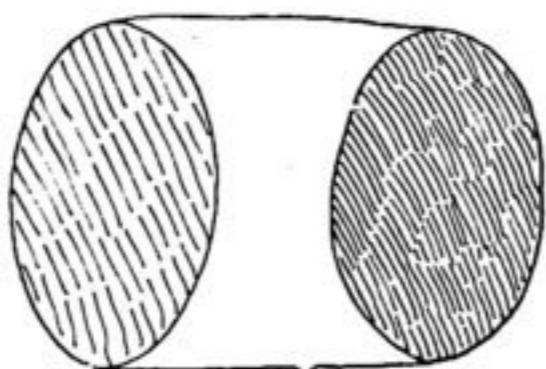
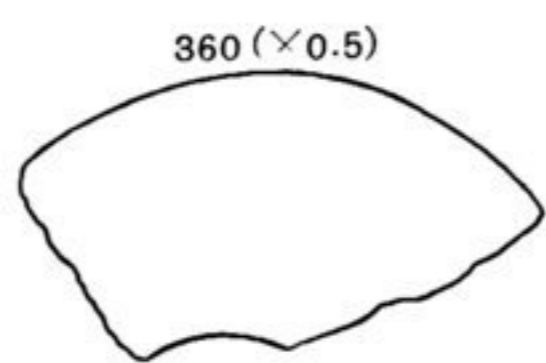


made with a point or style. A whorl (N.K. 60), concave on the top, from the lower strata, is decorated on the edge with little lines (fig. 347; plate 42, fig. 13); so also are the whorls from the middle strata (N.K. 192; fig. 348; plate 42, fig. 9; and N.K. 225; fig. 349; plate 42, fig. 12).



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Combinations of pricked points and line patterns are found on two whorls from the middle strata (N.K. 122; fig. 350; plate 42, figs. 5 and 14; and N.K. 191; fig. 351; plate 42, fig. 10).

In isolated cases it was possible to determine with certainty a white incrustation of the incised ornamentation on whorls. But in no case was importance attached to a systematic grouping of the patterns. Interest in design or in the varying of the patterns does not yet make itself felt. The only essential differences are in technique. The clay whorls found in the upper strata add little to our knowledge. Besides, they come from mixed layers and may also belong to the remains of the older culture.

*Flint implements.*—Worked flint implements occur in all layers of the North Kurgan and are especially abundant in the middle and lower

strata. For the most part they are flakes of flint which were worked and used as knives or long scrapers. A small flint implement (fig. 352) was found as a burial gift among the bronze and lead ornaments grouped under N.K. 185, with a skeleton in terrace II at +22 feet 5 inches. A beautifully worked long scraper (N.K. 249; fig. 353; plate 42, fig. 20) comes from the lowest culture-strata. To the middle strata belongs a one-edged knife (N.K. 162; fig. 354; plate 42, fig. 19), from terrace VII between +23 and +24 feet. Two-edged knives with well-worked ends and traces of use on both edges are shown in N.K. 16 (fig. 355; plate 42, fig. 18), from the east pit in Komorof's trench, and N.K. 101 (fig. 356; plate 42, fig. 16), from terrace V between +28 and +32 feet. In the last one both ends are well worked. N.K. 7, on the other hand, is a two-edged knife with traces of use on one side (fig. 357; plate 42, fig. 17). It is from the west pit of Komorof's trench.

That these flint implements were not imported, but were made by hand on the spot, is shown by the abundant flakes of flint which occur as refuse of the

