

PORTRAIT OF JESUS ON ANCIENT LETTER

Written Words Describe Savior As "Man of Strange Virtue"

Rome, Italy. (By Mail)—From the dust of more than 1900 years a studious modern Roman has rescued a pen-portrait of Jesus Christ. It was drawn in one of the letters that Publius Lentulus, who was a Roman Pro-Consul in Palestine and knew the Saviour in Nazareth, wrote to a friend in Italy.

"There has appeared here a man of strange virtue," Publius Lentulus wrote. "His disciples call Him 'The Son of God.' He cures the sick and raises the dead to life. He is a very handsome man and worthy of all our attention. His hair is blond and covers His shoulders in separate curls and is parted in the middle, after the fashion of the people of Nazareth. His forehead is smooth and serene, without marks or wrinkles; His countenance is pink; His nose is well formed; His beard of the same color as his hair, is parted in the middle.

"In His gaze is an expression of wisdom and of openness; His eyes are blue but shine terribly when He reproves people; but in conversation they are amiable. His observations are expressed with liveliness, although always remains calm. "Nobody has ever seen Him to laugh; but He often weeps. Of a good height and straight figure He has very beautiful hands and arms. His manner of speaking is serious. He speaks but little and is modest. In short He is as handsome as a man may be. They call Him Jesus, the Son of Mary.

Expert antiquarians and students of history pronounce the letters of Publius Lentulus to be entirely genuine. For centuries they were forgotten save by students of Latin and ancient Rome.

The advance of Christmas brought the letter quoted to the mind of an old professor here. He translated it into modern Italian and sent to some of his learned friends as a historical curiosity.

TY THINKS YANKS NEED MORE PEPPER

"What do you think of the Yankers; think they're strong enough to win a pennant?" Ty Cobb was asked. "Yes," Cobb made answer. "They're strong enough. They have a wonderful offensive and the best pitching staff in the American league. There's one qualification, tho, that they would be better off if they had. A little more fight, fight of the fiery, aggressive kind is what they most need now. Fight and aggressiveness are 20 per cent of any team's asset. With them you can create the mental hazard for the other fellow which tells against him so much."

"The American league," says Jack Coombs, "has more good ball players than the National league. It has better hitters, but just then same, those hitters wouldn't hit as well in the National. The National league has more good pitchers than

the American, and the Brooklyn club has the best pitching staff in either league."

A distinguished cluster of players have been sent into the baseball world by Texas. Lone Star native and adopted sons include Tris Speaker, Clyde Milan, Jim Vaughn, Jack Coombs, Ross Young, Frank Snyder and Rip Collins.

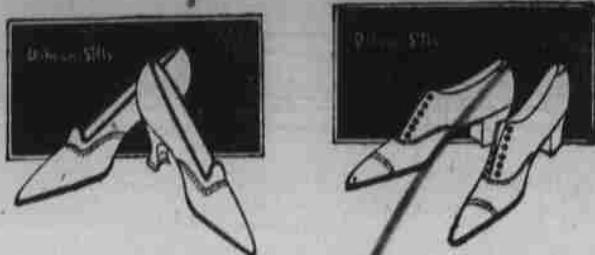
"Can you locate the man who presented Babe Ruth with 'The Brown Derby' down in Philadelphia at the beginning of the season?" writes James Francis. "The bright fellow should not be hid under a bushel. Bring him out."

TO SEIZE ALL INGREDIENTS FOR MOONSHINE WHISKEY

Reports emanating from headquarters of revenue agents in Roanoke indicate that the government has decided to take hold of the illicit distilling evil in Virginia with a firm hand and on a scale hitherto unparalleled. Some months ago S. R. Brame announced that the ingredients used in making liquor would be seized and now he has perfected his plans.

Startling discoveries, obtained from reliable sources were made known yesterday following the announcement of the malt seizure Sunday. Roanoke and Ferrum were mentioned as the "dumping grounds" for the liquor traffic and the counties of Patrick, Henry, Floyd and Franklin were characterized as being "most deplorable," as regards the manufacture of moonshine whiskey.

So determined are the whiskey makers to manufacture their product that the government is considering a movement to enjoin merchants from making large sales of such articles as meal to individual, it was revealed. Unless sales of commodities, eventually used in making whiskey are curbed, there is a possibility that retailers will be requested to handle meal, in particular, on ration basis, making it necessary for them to keep records such as the druggists have in reporting drug and whiskey sales.—Danville Register.



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