

OLDEST PORTRAIT IN THE WORLD

Clay Tablets From Babylonian
Said to Date Back to 2300
B. C.

Philadelphia, Nov. 17.—What is believed to be the oldest portrait of a human being has been discovered in the University of Pennsylvania Museum collection of clay tablets from Babylonian, according to an announcement by Dr. Leon Lagrain, curator of the Babylonian section.

The portrait is on a postage stamp, which also served as a seal for a registered package, dated about 2300 B. C. It is a picture of Thi-Sin, the last king of Ur, known to Bible students as Ur of the Chaldees.

The package or sack bearing the seal, Dr. Lagrain said, appears to have been sent by the high priest of the Temple of Ur, in which Abraham later worshipped, to a banker named Shulpaie and probably contained gold.

"It is of unusual importance to archeologists," he added, "because it probably gives a clue to the personal appearance of the Sumerians, who were not a Semitic race."

"The portrait is on a clay postage stamp and is the result of rolling an engraved cylinder over the soft clay. It is as clear and distinct and the features as well defined as on the day it was made. The astonishing thing is that it shows the king-god as smooth shaven."

"There are two supposed portraits before the one just discovered, but in neither of them is there any apparent effort at realism. Each has a long beard and among hundreds of representations

of gods each has a beard. It seems likely that beards were considered solely as belonging to the gods and that kings wore false ones to make appearance more impressive.

"The portrait shows a man seated on a throne with an undoubted nose, well defined mouth and general characteristics so individual that it must have been taken from life. It is significant that the picture shows a lock of hair projecting from the forehead from beneath the turban hat and another from behind."

"Before the days of Thi-Sin we never heard of a king giving any one a seal containing his portrait, but in this instance the seal not only distinctly says the king-god has the seal to the high priest of the Temple of Ur, but shows a picture of the event, which is amazing from an archeological point of view. Possibly the fact that Thi-Sin was the last of his dynasty and may have seen the end coming was responsible for this remarkable gift."

BRIDE IN A BARN, LOST FIVE WEEKS

Believed to Have Tired of the
Wedding Party and Strayed
Away to Rest.

Paris, Nov. 17.—A theme for a ballad could be found in an incident connected with a wedding in Brive, Department of Correze, and the disappearance of the young bride just after the marriage ceremony and while the festivities were at their height.

Despite the anguished search by the husband for his bride no trace of her was found until last Tuesday, when she was found lying on a pile of straw in her father's barn. More than five weeks had elapsed since her disappearance, and during this time no one had entered the barn. The young woman's condition is so desperate that she can give no detailed explanation of how she came there.

The wedding occurred on September 26. After the ceremony some of the dancers observed that the bride was gone. The bridegroom suspected a joke was being played on him, but as night came on the entire wedding party realized that something unusual had happened and they began to search the woods for her. During the following week the rivers thereabouts were dragged, but without result. It was only when the young woman's favorite dog howled and would not be silenced a few nights ago that the searchers were led to the barn and to the young bride, who became tired after the wedding ceremony and went into the barn to rest, then she was stricken with an attack of paralysis and was unable to move or to cry out.

The ablest doctors have been called to attend her, but they are doubtful if they can save her life.

STEAMER SAFE.
Superior, Wis., Nov. 16.—The steamer Charles H. Bradley, reported missing last night, since Friday's storm, left Houghton, Mich., at 5 o'clock this morning, according to local agents of the steamer, and will arrive here tomorrow morning.

GETS THOUSAND POUND GRIZZLY

U. S. Government Had Been
After Cattle Killer for
Years.

An immense 1,000 pound bear—Silver Tip Grizzly as he was known to inspectors of the Biological Survey of the United States Department of Agriculture— which for years had been killing stock in the vicinity of Dubois, Wyo., and on whose head a \$100 bounty had been placed by stockmen, is dead. His undoing was accomplished by a 50-pound No. 6 bear trap, which had been anchored to a 24-foot tree trunk. His body was found nearly eight miles from where the trap had been set. His end was brought about by Government Hunter Rowley, and since government hunters are not allowed to accept bounties from any source the stockmen were saved the money.

The following account of Silver Tip and his end is given by Charles J. Bayler, Predatory Animal Inspector of the Bureau, at Lander, Wyo.

"While reports came in occasionally of a large silver tip that was doing a lot of killing in the vicinity of Dubois, no authentic report was received until the spring of 1918, when several cattlemen asked that we send a man after the bear. A hunter was sent up there and reported killing the bear that summer, but investigation proved that the bear most wanted was still at large. He was particularly destructive that summer, not

only killing cattle, but destroying camps and fire boxes belonging to the Forest Service and wrecking anything that he happened to encounter. A second hunter was sent up there in the spring of 1919. He, too, worked to get the bear, but without success.

"Hunter Rowley was then recommended to us as a bear hunter, and we put him on the trail of the grizzly in the spring of 1920. For a long time he was unable to find any fresh sign of the bear, or to find any cattle freshly killed by him. About July 15, this summer, he came upon a cow that had been killed a short time before by the bear, and he took up the trail. He kept after him until he got him, the fore part of September. During the six weeks that he followed the bear he found fifteen head of two and three-year-old cattle that

the bear had killed, belonging to the Double Diamond outfit, near Dubois. Each had been killed with a crushing blow between the eyes. In most cases the cattle were not eaten upon, except where the bear had taken out the liver and eaten that.

"The trap that finally got Silver Tip was a No. 6, and was set about Aug. 15. The clog used was a log twenty-four feet long and five inches through. The log was broken off about fifty yards from where the trap was set, and the bear carried away seven feet of it, and had this fastened to him when he was found. He was found eight miles from where he got into the trap. In trailing through the timber many trees six and seven inches through had been uprooted, and in several places the bear got into wind-falls and tore out the fallen logs, almost

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making a road behind him in doing so. He was dead when Mr. Rowley found him, and had been dead too long to permit of taking his skin. Mr. Rowley said the bear would weigh about 1,000 pounds, the front feet would measure about eight and one-half inches across, and the hind feet almost twelve inches in length."

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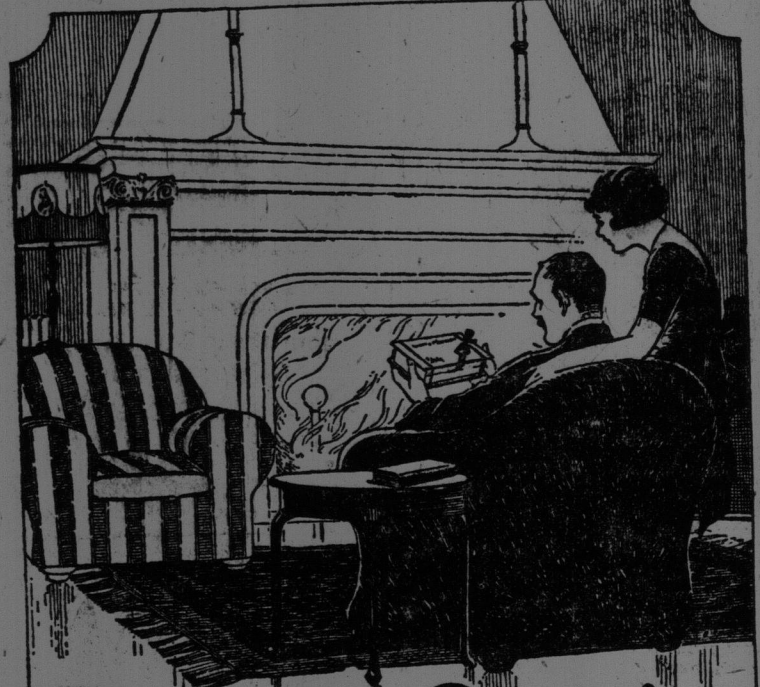
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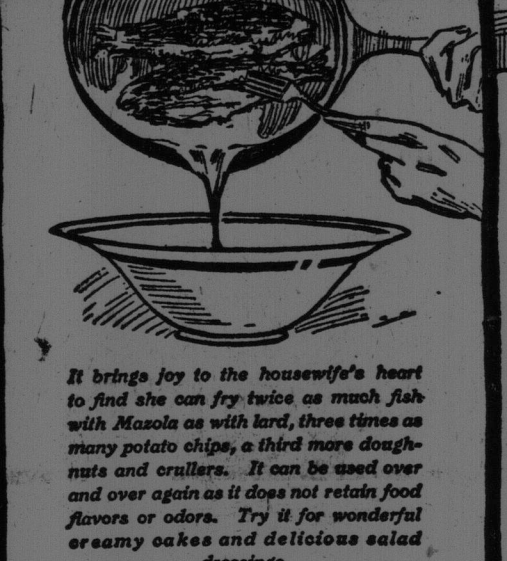
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