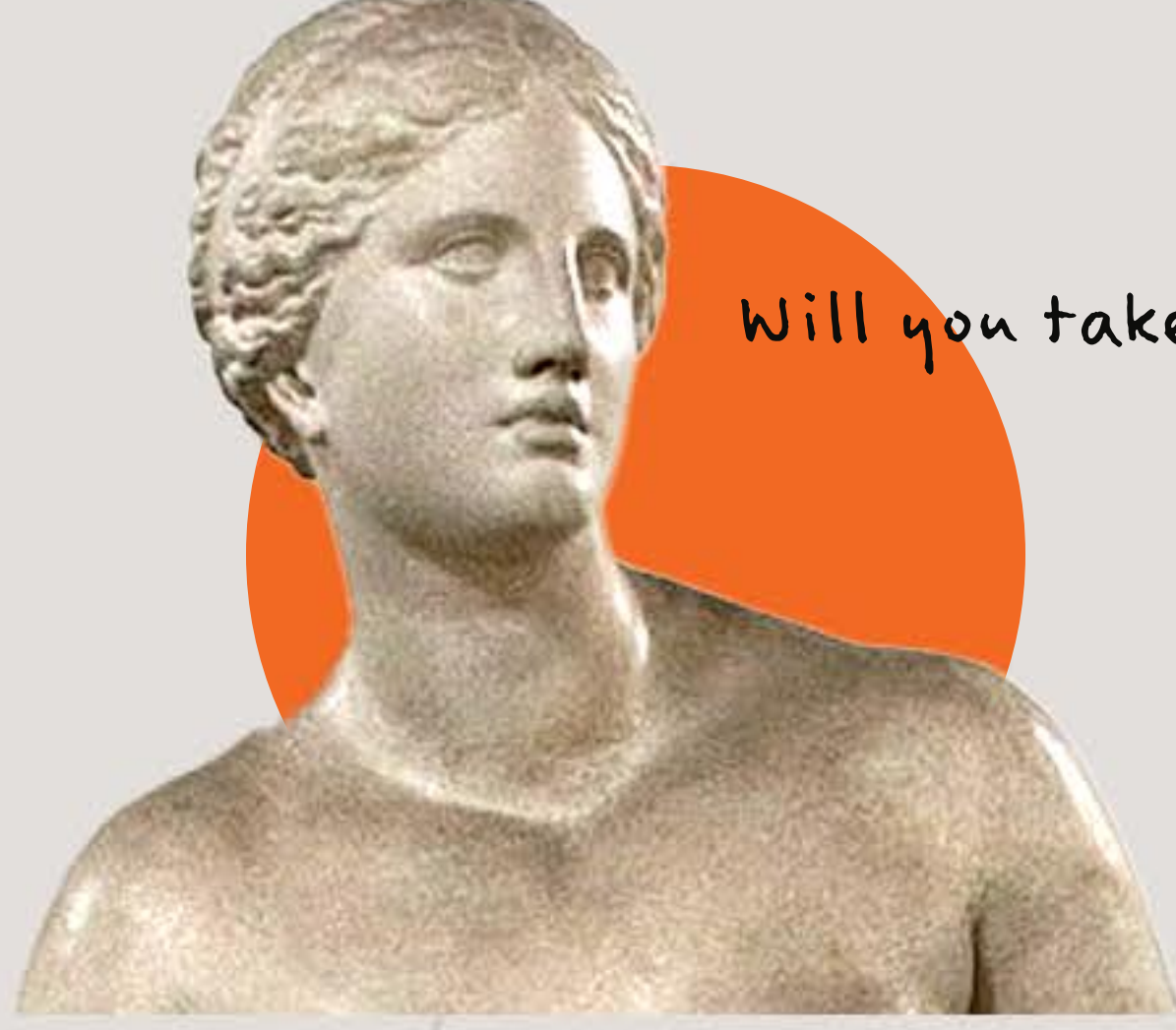


A Brief History of the Paper Check

352 BC

The Romans invent an early form of a check.



Will you take a check?

A What?



Cheque, mate.



1762

British banker Lawrence Childs invents the personal check



1872

Western Union launches first widely used service for wire transfers on its existing telegraph network.



"There's no way technology will get any better than this"



1958

Bank of America launches the Bank Americard.



1972

The first ACH payment in the United States operated by the Federal Reserve Bank



"Hi, I'm Elon. People forget I'm a co-founder of PayPal"



1999

A new online payment service, PayPal, is launched.

2004

Mobile check deposit is born from the passage of the Check 21 Act, which allowed banks to take pictures of checks and move them electronically.



2009

USAA becomes the first bank to allow customers to deposit checks with a smartphone.



2010

Square and Venmo gain popularity.



And the formal death of the 'I don't have any cash on me' excuse.



2014

Apple debuts Apple Pay.



2019

Domuso introduces Mobile Check pay where you can upload a picture of your own check to pay rent.

R.I.P. paper rent checks

