

# Trivia

What Capt. Hanson Gregory invention has neither weight nor density but can be seen but not felt?

A: The doughnut hole

How many shades of blue are there in the 64-crayon box sold by Crayola?

A: Eleven: aquamarine, blue, cadet blue, cornflower, green blue, midnight blue, navy blue, periwinkle, sky blue, turquoise blue, and violet blue. (Not counted: blue gray, blue green or blue violet.)

What American industry introduced the 5-day, 40-hour work week?

A: The steel industry

What was the first consumer product purchased on the installment plan?

A: Margaret Hellmuth of New York purchased a Singer sewing machine for \$50 down with the remaining \$100 paid in six monthly installments.

Who is second only to Thomas Edison in the number of U.S. patents granted for inventions?

A: Edwin Land, inventor of the Polaroid camera

What was the cost of a gross of metal suspender buttons in the 1908 Sears, Roebuck and Co. catalog?

A: Nine cents

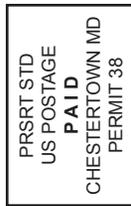
What did the Jacuzzi brothers manufacture when they first opened up shop in 1915 - long before their grandchildren gave the bathtub business a whirl?

A: Farm pumps

What is the full name of Barbie, the doll?

A: Barbara Millicent Roberts

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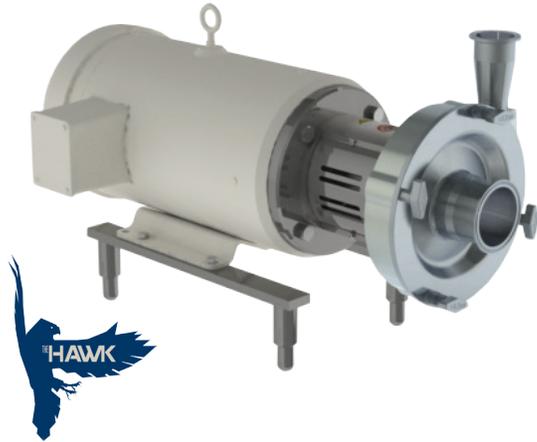
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# Dates in History

- 1813** The Pacific Fur Company trading post in Astoria, Oregon is turned over to the rival British North West Company on October 23. The fur trade in the Pacific Northwest was dominated for the next three decades by the United Kingdom.
- 1850** The watch company founded in Roxbury, MA by Aaron Lufkin Dennison relocates to Waltham, Massachusetts, to become the Waltham Watch Company, a pioneer in the American System of Watch Manufacturing.
- 1893** First manufactured in the United States by wheat millers in Grand Forks, North Dakota, Cream of Wheat is a brand of farina, a type of breakfast porridge mix made from wheat semolina. It looks similar to grits, but is smoother in texture since it is made with ground wheat kernels instead of ground corn.
- 1916** The Heisman Trophy is renamed for Georgia Tech football coach John Heisman, who defeated Cumberland College 222 - 0. On October 7th, in the most lopsided score in the history of college football, Georgia scored at least 42 points in every quarter and Cumberland committed 15 turnovers (nine fumbles lost, six interceptions). At the end of the game Georgia finished with 501 total yards to Cumberland's negative 28 total yards.
- 1977** "You Light Up My Life" is a ballad written by Joseph "Joe" Brooks, and originally recorded by Kasey Cisyk for the soundtrack album to the 1977 film of the same name. The song was lip synched in the film by its lead actress, Didi Conn. The best-known version of the song is a cover by Debby Boone, the daughter of singer Pat Boone, which held the #1 position on the Billboard Hot 100 chart for ten consecutive weeks in 1977, setting a new record.

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# On the Lighter Side

- Backwards High Tech
- Backup - What to do when you see a skunk in the woods.
- Bug - The reason you give for calling in sick.
- Byte - What your dog did to cousin Jethro.
- Crash - When you go to Junior's party uninvited.
- Computer - A person who uses public transportation.
- Digital - The art of counting on your fingers.
- Hacker - Uncle Leroy after 32 years of smoking.
- Internet - Where cafeteria workers put their hair.
- Keyboard - Where you find the truck keys.
- Logarithm - Humming while you cut trees.
- Mac - Big Bubba's favorite fast food.
- Modem - What you do when the grass gets too high.
- Mouse Pad - Where Mickey and Minnie live.
- Network - Scooping a big fish before it breaks the line.
- ROM - Where the pope lives.
- Screen - Keeps mosquitoes off the porch
- Serial Port - A red wine you drink with breakfast.
- Superconductor - Amtrak's employee of the year.
- SCSI (pronounced skuz-zee) - Last week's laundry.
- Terminal - Time to call the undertaker.

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