

# Trivia

## *did you know that ...*

The tall chef's hat is called a toque.

*Plastic bottles were first used for soft drinks in 1970.*

The first credit card was issued by American Express in 1951.

*A duke is the highest rank a male can achieve without being a king or a prince. A dutchess is the highest rank a female can achieve without being a queen or a princess.*

English sailors came to be called Limeys after using lime juice to combat scurvy.

*Fingernails grow nearly 4 times faster than toenails.*

The first illustrated book for children was published in Germany in 1658.

*The oldest surviving daily newspaper is the Wiener Zeitung of Austria. It was first printed in 1703.*

Domestic cats purr at about 26 cycles per second, the same frequency as an idling diesel engine.

<http://www.didyouknow.cd>

## *weird town names ...*

Looneyville, Texas, USA

The town was named after John Looney, who opened a store there in the early 1870s. At the height of its greatness in the early 1890's, Looneyville had a population of 100. Almost a hundred years later, Looneyville is a dispersed rural community.

Crackpot, England

In 1298, this town was originally called Crakepot. The name originates from the old English word "Kraka", a crow and a Viking word "Pot". A 'pot' was usually a cavity or deep hole.

<http://www.amusingfacts.com>

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# Product Spotlight

Dixon's Holedall Fittings provide lasting service with safety and security that is unmatched by any other hose fitting.

## Externally Swaged and Crimped Fittings

Holedall External Swage Couplings provide an efficient means of servicing your high-pressure applications. Since the couplings require no bolts, they provide a lightweight assembly with no protrusions.

External Swage fittings are available in:

- pipe thread
- plain
- victaulic groove
- flanged
- can be crimped or swaged



## Internally Expanded Fittings

Holedall Internal Expansion Couplings offer a full flow design that reduces media turbulence. Concrete pump hoses, jetting hoses and heavy duty air hoses are some common applications.

Internal Expansion fittings are available in:

- pipe thread
- heavy duty
- victaulic groove (California Style)

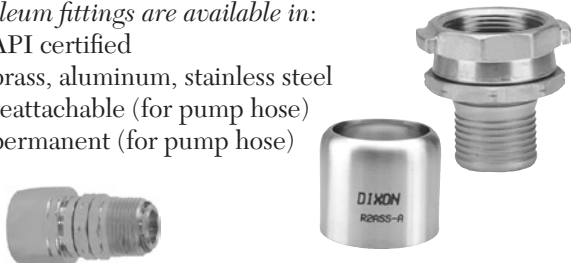


## Petroleum Fittings

Holedall Petroleum Couplings provide the best performance of any couplings for aircraft refueling, oil delivery and similar applications requiring the service specifications of API 1529 6th Edition.

Petroleum fittings are available in:

- API certified
- brass, aluminum, stainless steel
- reattachable (for pump hose)
- permanent (for pump hose)



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# Product Safety

Holedall Couplings must be applied properly and in accordance with Dixon's Assembly Procedures. Use Dixon's Die and Ferrule Recommendation Guide to select the correct dies and ferrules based on hose end outside diameter. If you do not have the updated Die and Ferrule Recommendation Guide, contact Dixon at 1-800-355-1991.

## Notes:

- Hose service working pressure (including surges and spikes) must not exceed the maximum recommended working pressure for the fitting.
- Media being transported through the hose must be compatible with the stem and ferrule material. Consult Compatibility Chart in the current DPL or contact the factory for material compatibility information.
- "King" Safety Cables are strongly recommended.
- Do **not** mix Dixon manufactured parts with any other *non*-Dixon fitting.

# Dates in History

**1889** On March the 31st, the Eiffel Tower was dedicated in Paris in a ceremony presided over by Gustave Eiffel, the tower's designer.

At 984 feet tall, the Eiffel Tower remained the world's tallest man-made structure until the completion of the Chrysler Building in New York in 1930. Incredibly, the Eiffel Tower was almost demolished when the International Exposition's 20-year lease on the land expired in 1909, but its value as an antenna for radio transmission saved it.

**1942** On March the 13th, the Quartermaster Corps (QMC) of the United States Army began training dogs for the newly established War Dog Program, or "K-9 Corps."

The K-9 Corps initially accepted over 30 breeds of dogs, but the list was soon narrowed to seven: German Shepherds, Belgian sheep dogs, Doberman Pinschers, collies, Siberian Huskies, Malamutes and Eskimo dogs.

(<http://www.history.com>)

# On the Lighter Side

A man and his wife were sitting in the living room discussing a "Living Will".

"Just so you know, I never want to live in a vegetative state, dependent on some machine and fluids from a bottle. If that ever happens, just pull the plug."

His wife got up, unplugged the TV and threw out all the beer.

*Four high school boys afflicted with spring fever skipped morning classes. After lunch they reported to the teacher that they had a flat tire.*

*Much to their relief she smiled and said: "Well, you missed a test today so take seats apart from one another and take out a piece of paper."*

*Still smiling, she waited for them to sit down. Then she said: "First Question: Which tire was flat?"*

The barn at Larry and Susan's farm burned down, and Susan called the insurance company.

Susan: "We had that barn insured for fifty thousand and I want my money."

Agent: "Wait just a minute, Susan... it doesn't work quite like that. We will determine the value of the old barn and provide you with a new one of comparable worth."

Susan, after a pause: "I'd like to cancel the policy on my husband."

*A Sunday school teacher asked her little children, as they were on the way to church service, "And why is it necessary to be quiet in church?" One bright little girl replied, "Because people are sleeping."*

If quitters never win, and winners never quit, who made up the saying? Quit while you're ahead!

*"Do you believe in life after death?" the boss asked one of his employees.*

*"Yes, sir," the clerk replied.*

*"That's good," the boss said. "After you left early yesterday to go to your grandmother's funeral, she stopped in to see you."*

(<http://www.ajokeaday.com>)