

Trivia

did you know that ...

Hitler was on the short list for the 1938 Nobel Peace Prize.

Woodrow Wilson is the only president to have had a PhD.

Donald Rumsfeld, who served in both Nixon and George W. Bush cabinets, is both the youngest and the oldest defense secretary in U.S. History.

In New York City, January 2008 was the first essentially snowless January in seventy-five years.

In Denmark, people buying a new car must pay a registration fee of approximately 105 percent of the car's value.

The five most philanthropic American states, relative to their own wealth, are Mississippi, Arkansas, Oklahoma, Louisiana, and Alabama.

Mozambique's flag features a Kalashnikov--the only gun to appear on a national flag.

Romania has had six different national anthems since the Second World War.

Ethiopia's calendar is more than seven years behind that of the rest of the world. The country held it's millennium celebrations in 2007.

There are an estimated 10,000 trillion ants on earth--roughly 1.6 million for each human. Their combined weight is equivalent to that of the entire human population.

Canada is the #1 country with the most coastline with over 200,000 kilometers (124,274 miles), 4 times as much as the next country Indonesia.

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Product Spotlight

Safety Break-away Couplings - Industrial Version

Applications: Used most commonly on tank truck, railcars and barges to limit the possibility of environmental impact and loss of product that a break can create.

Sizes: 2" - 8"

Materials: stainless steel or aluminum

Features:

- standard with Viton® O-ring
- available in female NPT, male NPT, flange connections, special configurations available contact Dixon



Safety Break-away Couplings - Marine Version

Applications: Commonly used on ship-to-offshore platform and ship-to-ship product transfer. Installed within a string of hoses where the coupling has a length of hose attached to both sides.

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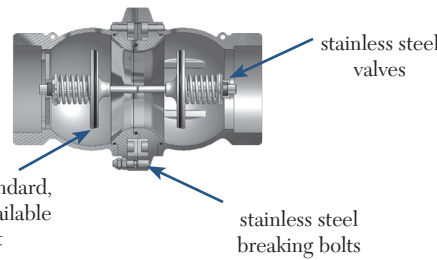


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Safety Spotlight

- Provides passive security in applications where a hose or loading arm could be subjected to inadvertent excessive pull.
- Operates independently of shut off safety systems and does not require an external power source.
- Acts as a safe parting point within the transfer system, protecting equipment and personnel.
- The coupling automatically senses an excessive pull, closes the valves and disconnects.
- The separation of the couplings allows the poppets to close rapidly, minimizing exposure to personnel and the environment.



Dates in History

1867 On October 18th, the U.S. formally took possession of Alaska after purchasing the territory from Russia for \$7.2 million, or less than two cents an acre. The Alaska purchase comprised of 586,412 square miles, about twice the size of Texas.

1961 On October 1st, New York Yankee Roger Maris became the first-ever major-league baseball player to hit more than 60 home runs in a single season. The great Babe Ruth set the record in 1927; Maris and his teammate Mickey Mantle spent 1961 trying to break it. After hitting 54 homers, Mantle injured his hip in September, leaving Maris to chase the record by himself. Finally, in the last game of the regular season, Maris hit his 61st home run against the Boston Red Sox. (The league-champion Yanks won the game 1-0.)

(history.com)

On the Lighter Side

An elderly couple had been experiencing declining memories, so they decided to take a power memory class where one is taught to remember things by association. A few days after the class, the old man was outside talking with his neighbor about how much the class helped him.

"What was the name of the Instructor?" asked the neighbor.

"Oh, ummmm, let's see," the old man pondered. "You know that flower, you know, the one that smells really nice but has those prickly thorns, what's that flower's name?"

"A rose?" asked the neighbor.

"Yes, that's it," replied the old man. He then turned toward his house and shouted, "Hey, Rose, what's the name of the Instructor we took the memory class from?"

A doctor, a lawyer, a little boy and a priest were out for a Sunday afternoon flight on a small private plane. Suddenly, the plane developed engine trouble. In spite of the best efforts of the pilot, the plane started to go down. Finally, the pilot grabbed a parachute, yelled to the passengers that they had better jump, and bailed out. Unfortunately, there were only three parachutes remaining.

The doctor grabbed one and said "I'm a doctor, I save lives, so I must live," and jumped out.

The lawyer then said, "I'm a lawyer and lawyers are the smartest people in the world. I deserve to live."

He also grabbed a parachute and jumped.

The priest looked at the little boy and said, "My son, I've lived a long and full life. You are young and have your whole life ahead of you. Take the last parachute and live in peace."

The little boy handed the parachute back to the priest and said, "Not to worry, Father. The 'smartest man in the world' just took off with my back pack."

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