

# Trivia

*did you know that ...*

Only full-grown male crickets can chirp.

*The phrase "sleep tight" originated when mattresses were set upon ropes woven through the bed frame. To remedy sagging ropes, one would use a bed key to tighten the rope.*

The 1st U.S. zoo was built in Philadelphia, PA, in 1876.

*The Arctic ocean is the smallest and shallowest.*

The color of a chile is no indication of its spiciness, but size usually is - the smaller the pepper, the hotter it is.

*A honey bee must tap two million flowers to make one pound of honey.*

In 1990, Bill Carson, of Arrington, Tennessee, grew the largest watermelon at 262 pounds.

*Nabisco's "Oreo's" are the world's best-selling brand of cookie at a rate of 6 billion sold each year.*

Only female mosquitoes bite. Females need the protein from blood to produce their eggs.

*Vanilla is the extract of fermented and dried pods of several species of orchids.*

"Second string," meaning "replacement or backup," comes from the middle ages. An archer always carried a second string in case the one on his bow broke.

*The name of the dog on the Cracker Jack box is Bingo.*

The word "honcho" comes from a Japanese word meaning "squad leader" and first came into usage in the English language during the American occupation of Japan following World War II.

*When Bugs Bunny first appeared in 1935, he was called Happy Rabbit.*

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# Product Spotlight

## 5200-SFI Tank Truck Sight Flow Indicator

Dixon Bayco USA is pleased to introduce the 5200-SFI short sight flow indicator. The sight flow indicator is designed to be a drop in replacement for the one-piece acrylic sight glass used behind the API load head. It is constructed of rugged aluminum and is more durable than the single piece acrylic doughnut commonly used. This design is more suited to rough over the road trucking and load rack service.



- allows for visual identification of the fuel grade prior to opening the valve
- replaces the acrylic sight glass commonly found on tank trucks
- rugged cast aluminum housing is more durable than acrylic sight glass
- works with tank truck flanged butterfly valves found on gasoline trucks
- low cost sight glass tube can be easily replaced
- rated for 150 PSI at 70°F
- available in 3" and 4"
- TTMA pattern flange
- flange gaskets are available in:
  - cork/buna
  - Klingersil® C-4401
  - Teflon® envelope with Klinger filler



# Product Safety

**SAFETY ALERT** Due to the proprietary blending of petroleum products, Dixon recommends that the thermoplastic tubing and the Viton® gaskets be immersion tested in the product to be handled to ensure compatibility.

## 5200-SFI Repair Kits

Repair kits are available for both 3" and 4" sight flow indicators. The kits contain a replacement sight glass, O-ring seal and a retainer ring kit. The O-rings are available in either Baylast™ or Viton®.

# Dates in History

**1638** On June 25th, a lunar eclipse was the first recorded astronomical event in North America.

**1793** On June 24th, France adopted their first republican constitution.

**1910** On June 19th, the first Father's Day was observed in Spokane, Washington. In 1966, President Lyndon Johnson signed a presidential proclamation declaring the 3rd Sunday of June as Father's Day

**1940** On June 30th, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service was formed.

**1978** On June 19th, the comic strip "Garfield" debuted.

# On the Lighter Side

A hobo comes up to the front door of a neat looking farmhouse and raps gently on the door. When the farm owner answers, the hobo asks him, "Please, sir, could you give me something to eat? I haven't had a good meal in several days." The owner says, "I have made a fortune in my lifetime by supplying goods for people. I've never given anything away for nothing. However, if you go around the back, you will see a gallon of paint and a clean paint brush. If you will paint my porch in the back of the house, I will give you a good meal." So the hobo goes around back and a while later he again knocks on the door. The owner asks, "Finished already? Good. Come on in. Sit down. The cook will bring your meal right in." The hobo says, "Thank you very much, sir. But there's something that I think you should know. It's not a Porsche you got there. It's a BMW."

*At a fabric store, a pretty girl spots a nice material for a dress and asks the male clerk: How much does it cost? "Only one kiss per yard," replied the male clerk with a smirk. "That's fine," said the girl. I'll take ten yards." With expectation and anticipation written all over his face, the clerk quickly measured out the cloth, wrapped it up, and then teasingly held it out. The girl took the bag and pointed to the old man standing beside her, and smiled, "Grandpa will pay the bill."*

There is a knock on the pearly gates. Saint Peter looks out, and a man is standing there. Saint Peter is about to begin his interview when the man disappears. A moment later there's another knock. Saint Peter gets the door, sees the man, opens his mouth to speak, but the man disappears once again. "Hey, are you playing games with me?" Saint Peter calls after him, rather annoyed. "No" the man's distant voice replies anxiously. "They are trying to resuscitate me."