

A close-up, macro photograph of several interlocking golden gears from a mechanical watch movement. The gears are made of polished metal, likely brass or gold, and are set against a warm, golden-brown background. The lighting is soft and directional, highlighting the teeth of the gears and the intricate details of the watch mechanism. The text is overlaid on the lower half of the image.

The Most Absurd Inventions

of All Time

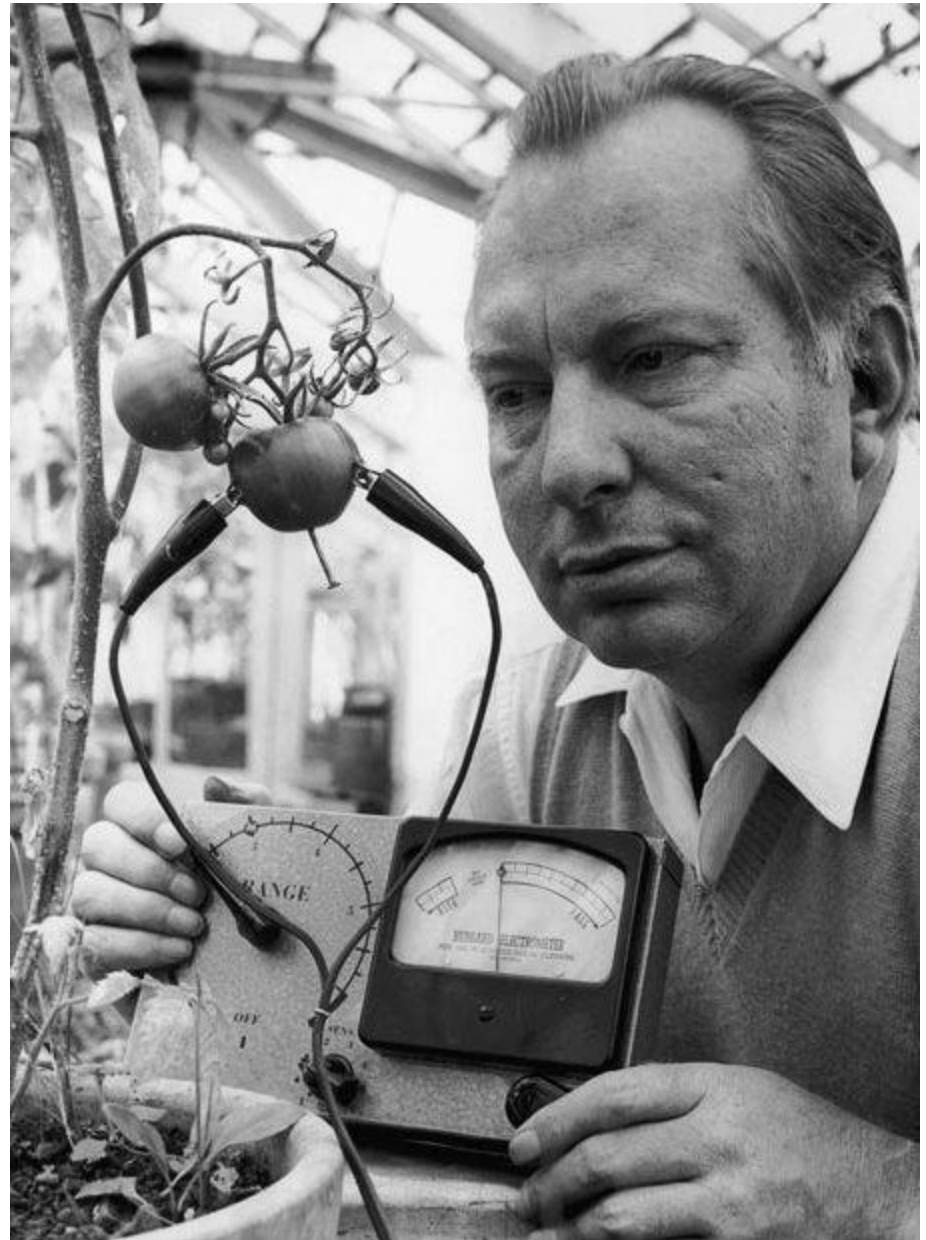
Inventions are products of one's ingenuity. However, most inventions are often dubbed as stupid, silly and absurd. Take for instance, the Wright Brothers, their creative thinking led to them being ridiculed and laughed at but after more than a century, the airplane which was a product of their innovative ideas, is considered as one of the greatest inventions of all time.

However, not all inventions deemed crazy and useless turned out to occupy the pinnacle of the world's greatest inventions, most just remained as they were - crazy and useless.

Thus, the following is a list of the most absurd and silliest inventions of all time.

Hubbard Electrometer

- The Hubbard Electrometer, named after its inventor American science fiction writer and the founder of the half-cult, half-religious organization; the Church of Scientology, Lafayette Ronald Hubbard, is an electronic device used to measure the electrical resistance during Dianetics and Scientology auditing.*



- *Hence, the stupidity of this invention lies in its usage. Our gifted "inventor" turned "religious leader" claims that his invention is able to tell whether fruits and vegetables experience pain. Hubbard was made famous by the infamous line, saying that tomatoes scream when sliced.*



TOMATOES SCREAM

when they hear L Ron's Scientology

Rainy Day Cigarette Holder

- Are you having a hard time smoking during rainy seasons? Wetting your freshly-lighted cigarette is the last thing you want to happen - well, worry no more. Introducing, the Rainy Day Cigarette Holder, perfect for those rainy days when you just can't help to puff a cigar or two. This not so state-of-the-art invention comes with a miniature umbrella that protects your cigarette from the rain.*



- *Why is it silly? Because it looks silly. This 1954 "timeless" classic, meaning no place in time, was a creation of Zeus corporation president, Robert L. Stern.*

Phone-Answering Robot

- The Phone-Answering Robot is one unique invention, firstly because it's probably the forefather of the modern answering machine and secondly it is just downright stupid. This Phone-Answering Robot is developed by Claus Scholz of Vienna. It nearly has everything anyone can ask for.*



It grabs the phone whenever it rings, but then again this Phone-Answering Robot just doesn't speak. So I guess, Scholz is halfway to his invention.

Anti-Bandit Bag

- The Anti-Bandit Bag was invented by another genius, John H T Rinfret. This invention was created to prevent bandits from stealing the important documents and contents of say, a business executive.*



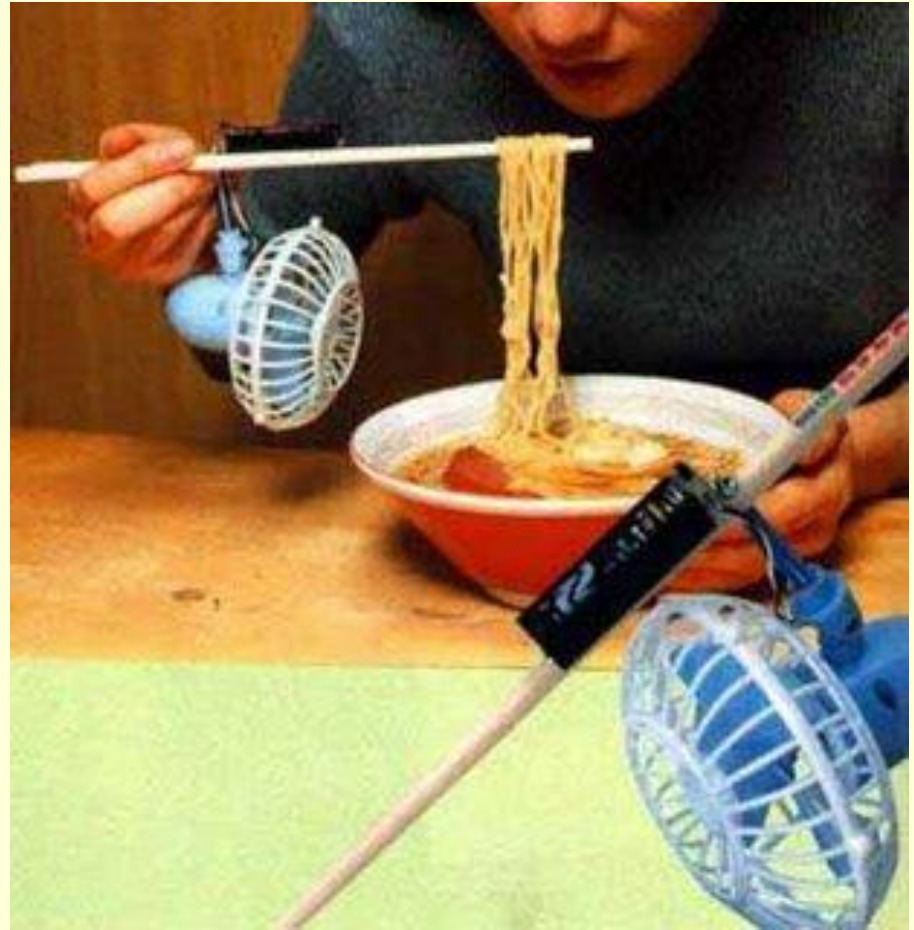
- It's an ordinary bag where one puts his/her belongings. How does it work? Well, when the bandit snatches the bag, a chain is pulled and viola, it will open the case and the contents will be scattered all over the floor. Great, it foiled the robbery attempt. Oh, it didn't.*



Designed in 1912 by German inventor Franz Reichelt, the parachute jacket had a high-profile unveiling when Reichelt wore one for a jump from the Eiffel Tower. It didn't deploy. Reichelt died.

Top 10 Most Ridiculous Inventions

- **The Chopstick Fan,** because hot noodles is just asking for trouble. The chopstick fan cools down those noodles on your chopsticks like nothing else. I mean, who wants to wait for natural airflow?



Back Scratched Grid

T-Shirt. An itchy back is one of the biggest problems man faces. That's why this T-Shirt makes it easy for you to direct anyone nearby to scratch in the perfect spot to rid your back of that annoying itch, because back scratching is a science!



The motorized ice cream cone was invented by someone who thought that manually twisting an ice cream cone was just too much work. I can't even begin to imagine what invention he had in mind for actually eating it.



Introducing the
**Telephone
Dumbbell.** In
modern times,
people are spending
longer at work,
which means they
have less time for
exercise. Well the
telephone dumbbell
lets you work out
whilst answering
calls. A truly
magnificent
breakthrough in the
world of work and
fitness.



The Butter Stick

solves a problem that never existed. What it does is self-explanatory, but what's wrong with a knife?



I doubt the **toilet roll hat** will ever catch on. If you seriously need that much tissue, you shouldn't be out in the first place. Either way, the inventor clearly wasn't a big fan of those things we call 'pockets'.



here seems to be a
prejudice
towards knives,
because here's
another invention
that doesn't want
you to use one –
the Pizza Fork.



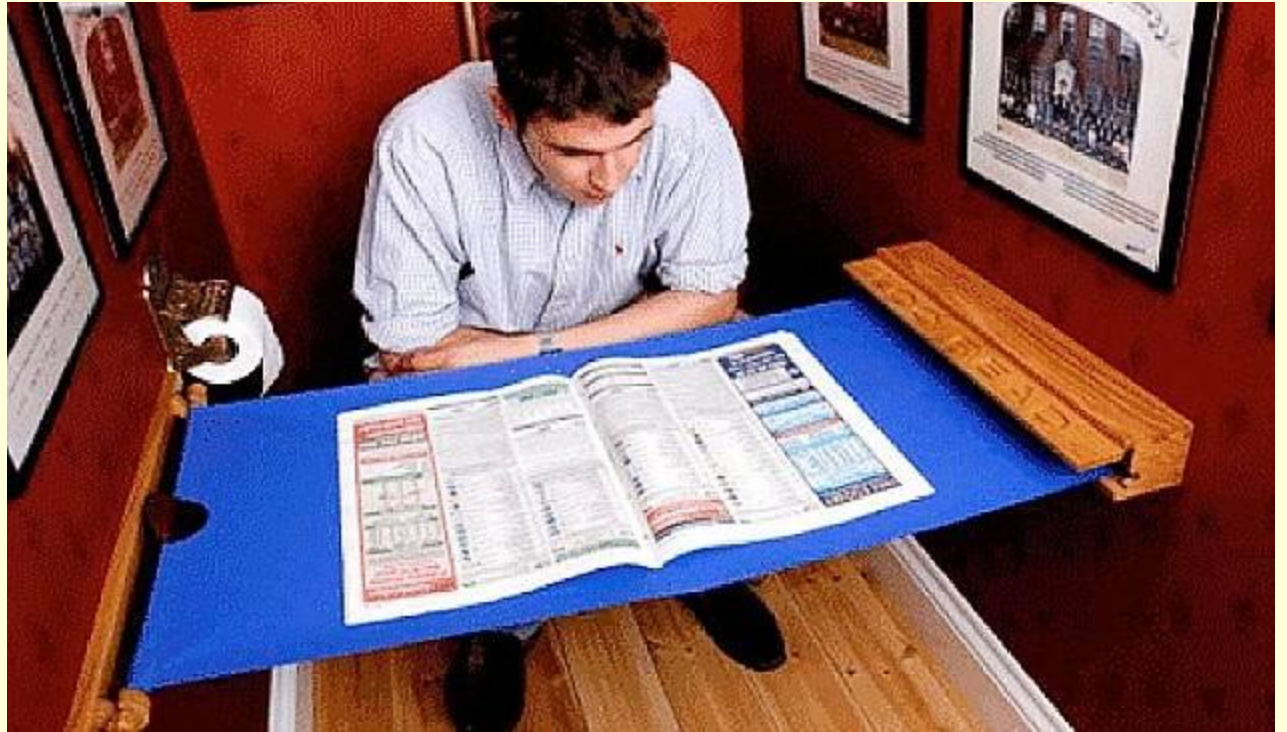
The Get a Grip wine glass grip

Have you ever said to yourself, “Gosh, I’m too stupid to properly hold a wine glass!”? Do you wonder how you might make it abundantly clear that you are a clod in front of a group of sophisticated wine drinkers? Look no further! The Get a Grip wine glass grip puts a bright red grip on your wine glass that says to the world, “I am probably a toddler, and you should call child services right now.”



If you're running Windows on a PC, there comes a point when you're probably going to have to press "Ctrl+Alt+Del", but why bother using your fingers to do it when you've got a perfectly aligned stick to do it for you?





The Loo Read is for people who can't be bothered to pick up the newspaper when they're in the bathroom, but can be bothered to do labored DIY to actually install it in the first place.

Thank you!