

# TAYLOR TOPICS

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## A PEEK AT PLUMBING HISTORY

At the 1933 World's Fair in Chicago, an outbreak of amoebic dysentery resulted in 98 deaths and 1409 official illnesses. It was traced back to **faulty plumbing** in two hotels. One year later, the chief inspector for the Chicago Bureau of Sanitary Engineering was quoted as saying: "One of the lessons to be drawn from the amoebic dysentery outbreak is that **plumbing demands the very best, painstaking effort that thoroughly qualified, certified plumbers can give...**"

## A CENTURY OF PROGRESS

**The year is 1902...just 100 years ago...what a difference a century makes:**

The American flag has only 45 stars. Arizona, Oklahoma, New Mexico, Hawaii and Alaska have not been admitted to the Union yet.

There are only 8,000 cars in the US and only 144 miles of paved roads. The maximum speed limit in most cities is 10 mph.

Only 8% of the homes have telephones. The average life expectancy in the US is 47. More than 95% of all births take place at home. Only 6% of all Americans have graduated from high school.

The average wage in the US is 22 cents and hour. The average US worker makes between \$200 and \$400 per year.

**What will the next century bring?**

A final thought: **Taylor Plumbing has been around 88 of these last 100 years, serving the northwest suburban and Chicagoland areas.**

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