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#### HISTORY'S GREATEST MYSTERY



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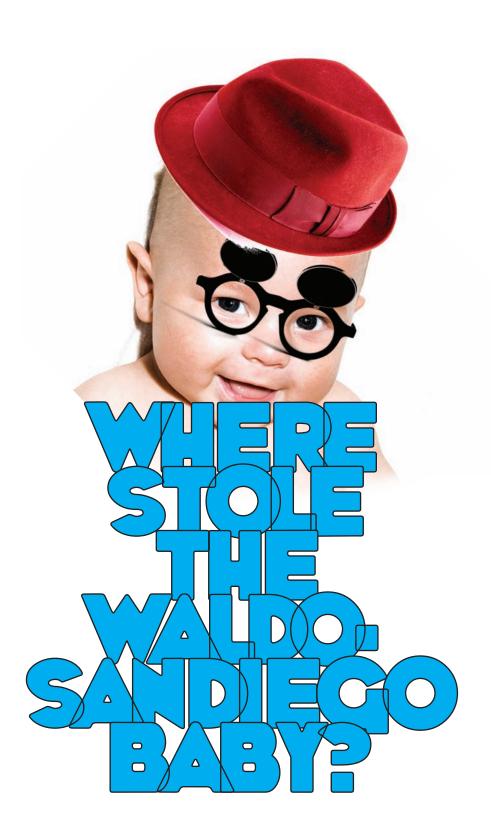
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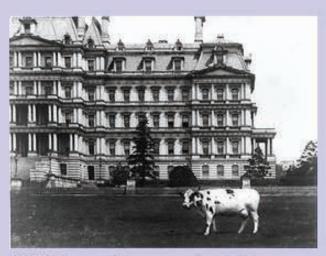
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William Howard Taft was the last President to own a cow. Pauline Wayne (pictured above) was a registered Holstein-Frisian cow (Bovine Blue Book #115,580) who grazed on the White House lawn and provided the Taft household with milk and butter. Souvenir seekers could purchase a small bottle of Pauline's milk for 50 cents.





Taft's predecessor, the incomparable Teddy Roosevelt, had 12 horses, one pony, five dogs, two snakes, a macaw, a one-legged rooster, a rat, a bear, a hyena, two cats, five guinea pigs and a badger named Josiah.

The mystery here is...

When did our Presidents stop being interesting?

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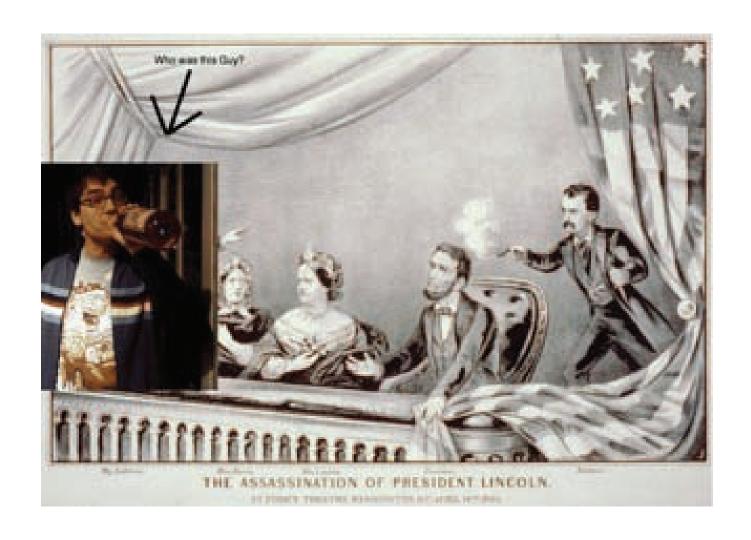
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