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A pair of hobnailed boots. **Anthony Appleyard**

298 years ago today, on Sept. 12, 1715, Peter I passed a law prohibiting St. Petersburg's residents from wearing shoes that had staples and nails in their soles. This was done to prevent citizens from tarnishing the city's wooden bridges.

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