Many inventions have odd stories behind them. The hot dog is one of those odd stories. It was invented by a sausage seller in St. Louis. Sausages could be messy, so Anton Feuchtwanger gave his customers white gloves to wear while they ate. The problem was that many customers did not return the white gloves. That's why Feuchtwanger asked his brother-in-law, a baker, to make a special roll to hold the sausage. The result: the first hot dog!