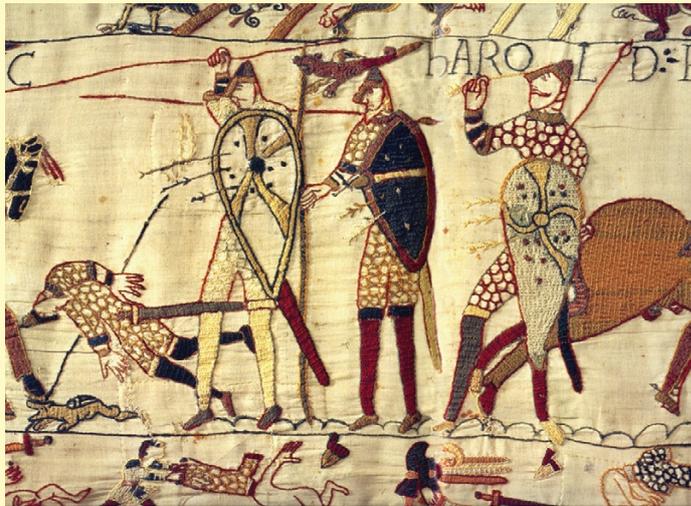


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The Eve of All Hallows or **Halloween**, is now a major event with its own Trick or Treat confectionery.



For a few years following the **October Revolution** of 1917 the *avant garde* flourished in Russian art and design. Decades later, the Argentine



marxist **Che Guevara** promoted revolution in Latin America until his death on 9 October 1967.



his distinctive uniform – and missing arm – made him an obvious target for a French sniper. His body, preserved in a barrel of brandy, was brought back to London for a state funeral. He is buried in St Paul's Cathedral in the tomb originally intended for Cardinal Wolsey.



On a more serious note, **Groucho Marx** predated the Russian Revolution, being born on 2 October 1890.

Having joined the Royal Navy at 12, **Horatio Nelson** was a Captain at the age of 20. As Vice-Admiral at the **Battle of Trafalgar** on 21 October 1805

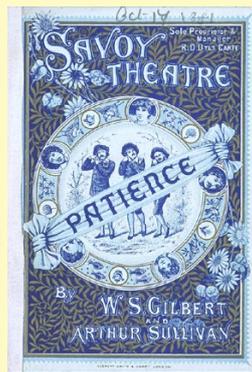


Personal tragedy and financial hardship marked the later years of **Rembrandt van Rijn** before his death on 4 October 1669. His painfully sincere self-portraits document his life with no trace of vanity or self-pity.



Since its first issue of 25 October 1961, **Private Eye** has dispensed wit, uncovered wrongdoing in high places and provided regular employment for libel lawyers.

Having defeated Danish invaders at Stamford Bridge in Yorkshire, Harold, king of England for less than a year, led his army on a forced march of 240 miles to confront William, Duke of Normandy, at the **Battle of Hastings** on 14 October 1066. Tradition has it that Harold was killed by an arrow in his eye, as depicted in the Bayeux Tapestry.



The **Savoy Theatre**, the first public building in London to be lit by electricity, opened on 10 October 1881 with Gilbert and Sullivan's comic opera **Patience**. Later D'Oyly Carte Savoy Operas included **The Yeomen of the Guard** and **The Mikado**.



Selected in October 1884 as the zero meridian for the world's maps, the **Prime Meridian at Greenwich** is also the reference point for setting time. The time ball installed in 1833 still drops daily to mark the exact moment of 1 pm – GMT during winter and BST during



summer. The **BBC**, founded in October 1922, broadcasts the Greenwich Time Signal each hour on its World Service.

