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Name: Garrett Morgan

Date of birth: march 4, 1877

Place of birth: Paris Kentucky

Education: elementary school

The fire on the corner house was blazing, the flames shot up from the first too the second floor, the Captain of the brigade was screaming in the megaphone where to place the water, two firemen ran out Of the building, not from the flames but smoke, their eyes burned to the point of not seeing, a deep Breath was imposable to take

A young black man standing on the corner with many others asked himself, as the smoke burned his Eyes as well, what came be done about that smoke.

In 1914 Garrett Morgan answered that question, by patenting what he called the breathing device or Safety hood, providing the wearer with safe air in the presence of smoke, gases and other pollutants.

Garrett Morgan breathing device became the prototype and precursor for the gas mask used during World War I.

DID YOU KNOW

THE THAT GAS MASK WAS NOT GARRETT MORGAN FIRST INVENTION, BUT AN IMPROVEMENT ON THE SEWING MACHINE, THE TRAFFIC SIGNAL AND A HAIR STRAIGHTENING PRODUCT.

BOTH THE BREATHING DEVICE AND TRAFFIC SIGNAL WHERE INVENTED BECAUSE HE SAW A NEED THAT WOULD HELP PEOPLE.

THE RIGHTS TO THE TRAFFIC SIGNAL WAS SOLD TO GENERAL ELECTRIC