



Today in History

February 13, 1941

▲ Penicillin, discovered in 1928 by Alexander Fleming, was first used on a human patient, an Oxford policeman whose scratches from a rose bush had turned septic

1917: Dutch-born exotic dancer Mata Hari was arrested as a German spy

1974: Author Alexander Solzhenitsyn was stripped of Soviet citizenship and deported after the publication of *The Gulag Archipelago*

2001: A computer virus named after tennis star Anna Kournikova infected email servers worldwide

2011: Thousands of Italian women protested against premier Silvio Berlusconi's recent sex scandals