



Today in History

February 16, 1937

▲ **DuPont received a patent for its new synthetic “miracle” fibre, named nylon. Commercial production of nylon for stockings started in 1939**

1978: The first computer bulletin board system was created, allowing users to connect to a server to read news and download software or data

1994: A prototype European Union police force, Europol, was launched

2005: The Kyoto Protocol came into force to cut greenhouse gas emissions to reduce the onset of global warming

2005: North America’s entire NHL ice-hockey season was cancelled after union negotiations broke down