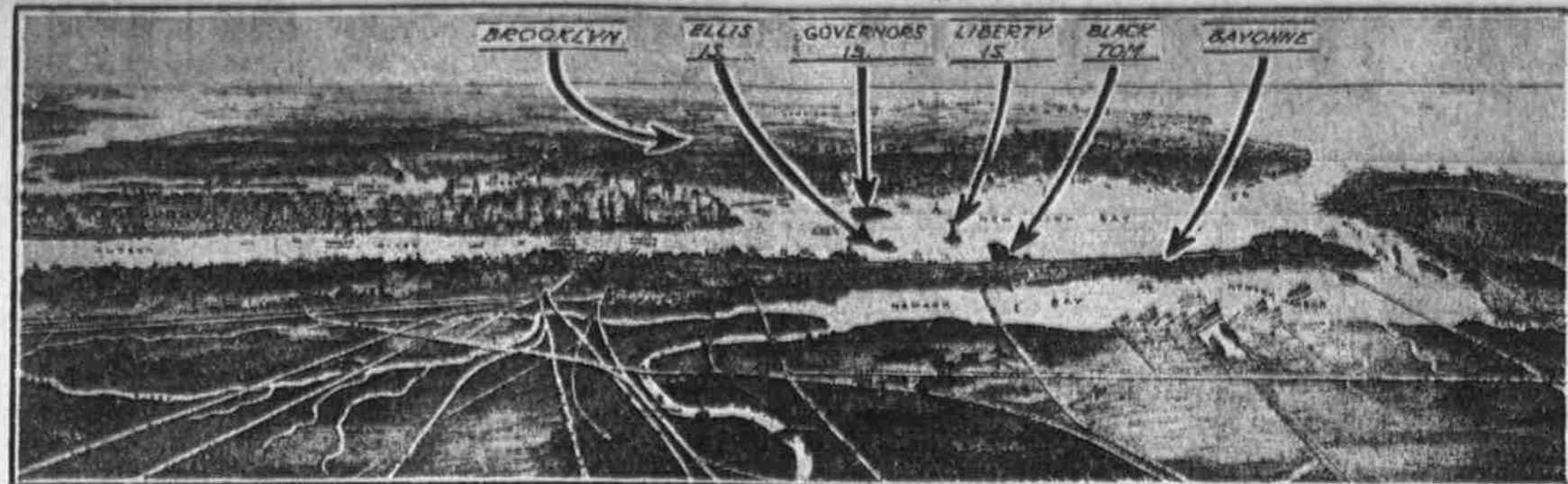


SCENE OF MIGHTY MUNITIONS EXPLOSION WHICH ROCKED NEW YORK



Black Tom Peninsula, where the disaster occurred, projects into New York bay from the Jersey shore. In the foreground is Jersey City. On the left is Manhattan Island. On the right is Staten Island. As the map indicates, the whole area is so densely populated it is a matter of wonder that there was not greater loss of life.

BRITISH BOYCOTT, TRILSON'S BELIEF

President Expects Suspension of Blacklist, but Only After Argument

POSITION WILL BE FIRM

Plain Talk, but No Threat in Note to Great Britain

The announcement... has been received with the most painful surprise by the people and the Government of the United States, and seems to embody a policy of arbitrary interference with world trade, against which it is its duty to protest in the most decided terms.

DEATH AND DAMAGE WROUGHT BY EXPLOSION OFF JERSEY CITY

THE cause—Not definitely determined. Known dead—Three. Twelve missing. The injured—116.

DESTROYED BY EXPLOSIONS OR FIRES:

Table listing destroyed property damage: Seventeen warehouses, Six piers, Four barges, One tugboat, Eighty-five freight cars, many of them loaded with munitions.

ESTIMATED PROPERTY DAMAGE:

Table listing estimated property damage: On Black Tom Peninsula, National Storage Company, plant and stock \$12,000,000; Central Railroad of New Jersey 50,000; Lehigh Valley Railroad 1,250,000; Ammunition in cars and barges 5,000,000; Moran Towing Company barges 60,000; Other barges and cargoes 200,000.

RESPONSIBILITY FOR CATASTROPHE:

Four inquiries to fix responsibility under way—The Federal Government (under law regarding interstate transportation of explosives), Jersey City (under municipalities explosive regulations), The railroads, (to fix blame, if any, among their own employees), The police authorities around Black Tom.

ARRESTS MADE SO FAR:

Albert M. Dickman, Lehigh Valley Railroad agent, station on Black Tom Peninsula. Alexander Davison, superintendent of the National Storage Company's property on Black Tom Peninsula. Warrant has been issued for arrest of Theodore B. Johnson, president Johnson Lighterage Company.

MILLIONS DAMAGE, THREE DEAD IN EXPLOSION OFF JERSEY CITY

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INSURED. JAMES ALLEN, 21 River street, reports several explosions in the vicinity of the Black Tom Peninsula. PHILIP CONNOR, 15 Franklin street, reports a large explosion in the vicinity of the Black Tom Peninsula.

WHERE BLAST OCCURRED:

Black Tom peninsula is situated at the bulging end of a long peninsula that juts about three miles from Communipaw, slightly south of Jersey City, and south of the high valley Railroad arrived with three work trains and 500 barges. He first landed at Jersey City, where he found a peninsular, it retains the name "Black Tom."

STORAGE VIOLATIONS:

It is alleged there were many violations of the Federal law in the manner of storing ammunition at Black Tom Island and the way it was handled there.

BRITISH PLANE ROUTS ZEPPELIN IN BATTLE

Spectacular Fight Thirty Miles Off English Coast Reported by Admiralty

LONDON, July 31.—A British aeroplane early today attacked and defeated a Zeppelin airship in a battle 30 miles off the east coast of England.

BRITISH PLANE ROUTS ZEPPELIN IN BATTLE

The details of the battle are contained in an official statement issued by the British Admiralty this afternoon.

Reading Minister Engaged

READING, Pa., July 31.—Announcement was made here today of the engagement of the Rev. George A. Bear, a Reformed clergyman of Saxton, Pa., and Miss Helen A. Schroyer, daughter of Thomas A. Schroyer, of this city.

SAVING THE PIECES:

The Jersey City police have drawn a line about the approach to the scene of the explosion through which no one can pass without giving a good account of himself.

HAIG REPORTS NEW GAINS FOR BRITISH

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The French took German trenches from Hardecourt to Hill 139 on a front from 300 to 800 meters deep. Besides, they pressed forward to the outskirts of the village of Maurepas, east of Hardecourt, and took positions north of the village of Hem, which is south of Maurepas.

BRITISH PUSH FORWARD AND STIFFEN NEW LINES

LONDON, July 31.—Further British advance at points north of Bazentin-le-Petit was announced by General Sir Douglas Haig today.

MISS LIBERTY'S GOWN RIPPED BY EXPLOSION;

HER INJURIES TRIFLING

Statue's Escape in Terrific Explosion Only One of Many Freaks of Disaster—Doors Wrenched Off

POLICEMAN UNDERESSED

New York Explosion Caused Many "Freaks"

The blast was felt in Lancaster, Pa., 168 miles from New York. John Pavelski and Mary Wellinski had just been married and were sitting at the bridal breakfast table.

JESUITS ASSIGNED TO NEW CHARGES

Several Changes Announced for Old St. Joseph's and the Church of the Gesu

Currently with the annual solemnization of the Feast of St. Ignatius Loyola on Sunday several important changes in the clergy of St. Joseph's Catholic Church, William's Island, were announced today.

6000 RICHMOND FOLK GO TO SHORE FOR DAY

Almost Whole Section, Led by Westmoreland Republican Club, Makes Excursion

Six thousand men, women and children who live in Richmond are seeking relief from the heat today at the seashore.

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RUSSIAN REACH POINT 25 MILES FROM KOVEL BASE

Fighting in Progress West of Stokhod River Near Railway Crossing

STANISLAU NEAR FALL

The double victory of the Czar's troops at Brody and west of Lutsk, coupled with the renewed offensive of General Letchitsky on the Dniester, has put von Bothmer's forces along the Stripa in a position from which they will have difficulty in extricating themselves.

GERMAN RETIREMENT FROM STOKHOD BEND IMPERILS GERMAN BASE AT KOVEL

PETROGRAD, July 31.—By the withdrawal of the Germans from the bend of the Stokhod River the Russians of General Brusilov's Volynia army have been able to press forward until they are now within 25 miles of the great German base at Kovel.

RUSSIAN REACH POINT 25 MILES FROM KOVEL BASE

Furious hand-to-hand encounters and cavalry dashes have succeeded massed infantry and artillery operations along the hundred-mile front in Volynia and northward.

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VICE NET SWEEPS BIG CATCH IN TENDERLOIN

City Hall Police Court Scene of Many Hearings Following Police Activity Saturday

The activity of the police against vice centers, and as a result Magistrate Meekley was called upon in the Central Police Court this morning to dispose of several cases.

PATROL OF FOES KEEPS DEUTSCHLAND IN PORT

U-Boat Declines to Run Gauntlet of Freighters and Motor-boats on Watch

BALTIMORE, July 31.—The tug Thomas F. Timmins started its engines this afternoon and began clearing away the barges obstructing the passage of the German super-submarine Deutschland, now snuggling at the foot of Andree street. There is every indication of immediate departure.

TODAY'S MARRIAGE LICENSES

Harry Weller, 527 W. Westmoreland st., and Miss Helen A. Schroyer, 1112 N. 10th st., at 11:30 a. m.; and Miss Florence M. Schroyer, 1112 N. 10th st., at 1:30 p. m.

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