

## Today in Georgia History

October 12, 1958

### Bombing of Hebrew Benevolent Temple in Atlanta, GA

#### Suggested Readings

Janice Rothschild Blumberg, "The Bomb That Healed: A Personal Memoir of the Bombing of the Temple in Atlanta, 1958," *American Jewish History* 73, no. 1 (1983).

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Melissa Fay Greene, *The Temple Bombing* (Reading, Mass.: Addison-Wesley, 1996).

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October 12, 1958: Temple Bombing



Atlanta Jewish Community gathering, late 1950s  
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Bombing defendants; George Bright, far left  
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Hebrew Benevolent Temple bombing  
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Hebrew Benevolent Temple bombing, 2  
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Hebrew Benevolent Temple bombing, 3  
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Leo Frank lynching crowd  
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Leo Frank lynching postcard

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"Leo Frank's Throat Cut by State Farm Prisoner"

The Atlanta Constitution July 18, 1915,

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"On Guard"

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"Damaged Model of New Temple Addition"

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"A Desecrated Temple Cries Out to Heaven"

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Protesters Being Hosed by Fireman, 1963  
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Rabbi Rosenthal  
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“Dynamite Bomb Damages Atlanta Temple; Shocks City, State, and Nation into Action”  
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“Jury Deadlocked, Mistrial Ordered in Temple Bomb Case”  
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“The Blast at Atlanta’s Temple”  
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Temple, 1589 Peachtree Street, Atlanta, GA, c1949

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