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REDEFINING THE FRONT LINE: CIVILIANS IN THE FIRST WORLD WAR



Presented by Susan R. Grayzel

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Historians have often described World War I as the first, modern total war. As such, one of the innovative features of this conflict was that its widespread use of modern technology challenged war's geographic limits. Where was 'the front' when poison gas drifted beyond the battlefield or airplanes dropped bombs on city streets? This talk explores the impact of several modes of warfare on civilian populations and thus on the borders between 'home front' and 'front line.'

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