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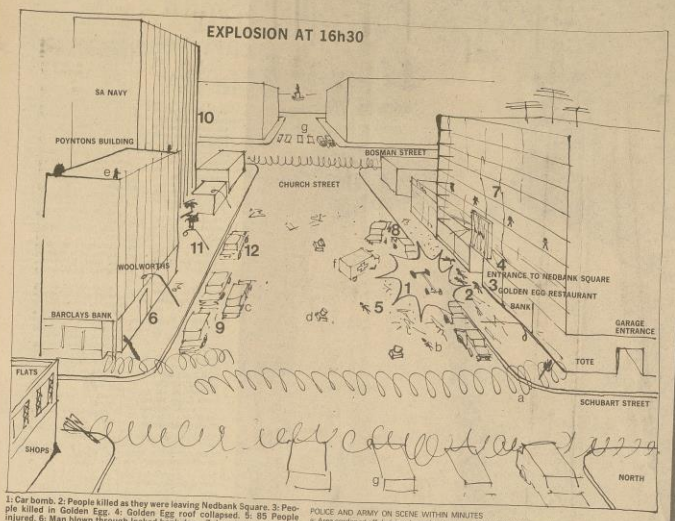
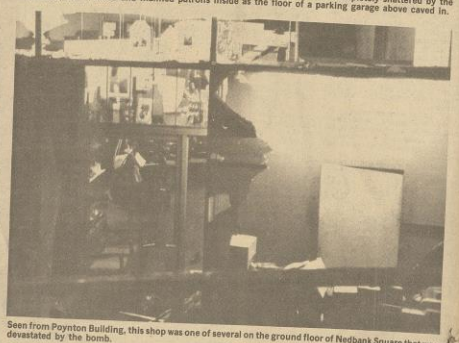


1: Car bomb. 2: People killed as they were leaving Nedbank Square. 3: People killed in Golden Egg. 4: Golden Egg roof collapsed. 5: 85 People injured. 6: Man blown through locked bank door. 7: Louvres on Nedbank Square blown off and windows shattered. 8: Burnt out cars. 9: Damaged cars. 10: Poyntons Building windows blown out. 11: Poles and robots buckled. 12: 2nd car bomb (unexploded)

POLICE AND ARMY ON SCENE WITHIN MINUTES
a: Area cordoned off. b: Injured people taken to hospital by ambulance. c: Damaged cars moved to the side to make way for emergency vehicles. d: Search lights. e: Army lookouts. f: Ambulances. g: Police and SADF vehicles.

The Golden Egg restaurant on the ground floor of Nedbank Square was completely shattered by the explosion, which killed and maimed patrons inside as the floor of a parking garage above caved in.

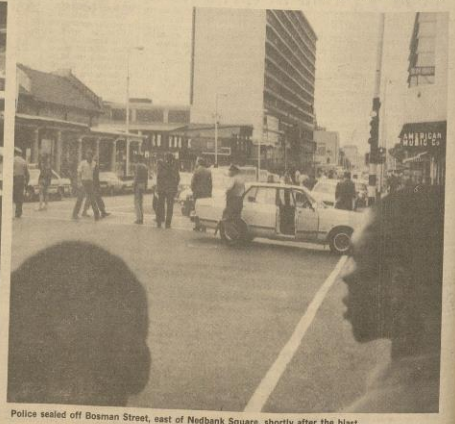


Seen from Poynton Building, this shop was one of several on the ground floor of Nedbank Square that was devastated by the bomb.

A trickle of people came and went as far as they could approach the scene of the blast.

The ravaged face of Nedbank Square. The car bomb was placed outside the arcade to the right of a lamppost which can be seen in the centre of the picture. Air Force Headquarters offices are on the floor above the parking areas.

Policemen search through the wreckage for possible clues after 16 people died and 112 more were injured when a massive car bomb ripped through two central Pretoria buildings yesterday afternoon. It was the worst terror bomb attack in South African history.



Police sealed off Bosman Street, east of Nedbank Square, shortly after the blast.