The Red Scare and the Trial of Sacco and Vanzetti

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Italian immigrants and avowed anarchists

Anarchy: absence of government

Arrested as suspicious in a streetcar

Authorities had linked a number of bombings and bomb threats to anarchist groups.

The Red Scare:

The fear of Communism in the USA in the 1920's It is said that there were over 150,000 anarchists or communists in USA in 1920 alone and the represented only of .1 percent of the population in the USA.

What was it about the trial of Sacco and Vanzetti which made it become a significant moment in American History?