

Rationing, “Rosie the Riveter”, and the Tuskegee Airmen

SS5H6: The student will explain the reasons for America’s involvement in World War II.

e. Describe the effects of rationing and the changing role of women and African Americans; include “Rosie the Riveter” and the Tuskegee Airmen.

The War At Home: Rationing

Europe

Pacific

- Production

weapons

supplies

economy

conserve

soldiers

victory gardens



The War At Home: Rationing

meat

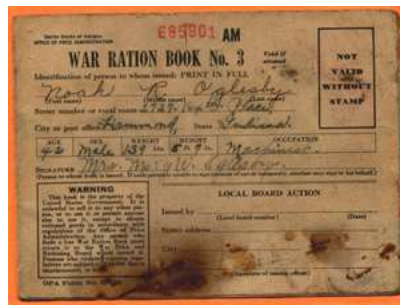
copper

recycled

rationing

certain

- Scarce items people had to ration included: coffee, meat, butter and even shoes!
- In a way, this started recycling!



The Changing Role of Women: “Rosie the Riveter”

society

• Civilian

275,000

men

Women's Army Corps

fight
country

produce

combat

- They became pilots and flew bombers from the US to bases in Europe, others became mechanics, truck drivers and office workers.



The Changing Role of Women: “Rosie the Riveter”

women
factories industries

- These were jobs women usually did not do. They worked in places like farms, aircraft building factories, shipyards and offices.

Riveter

production women



Rosie the Riveter Song

<http://www.mcneilmusic.com/music/RosieThe.mp3>

All the day long,
Whether rain or shine,
She's a part of the assembly
line.
She's making history,
Working for victory,
Rosie the Riveter.

Keeps a sharp lookout for
sabotage,
Sitting up there on the
fuselage.
That little girl will do more than
a man will do.
Rosie the Riveter.



Rosie's got a boyfriend, Charlie.
Charlie, he's a Marine.
Rosie is protecting Charlie,
Working overtime on the riveting
machine.

When they gave her a production
"E,"
She was as proud as she could
be.
There's something true about,
Red, white, and blue about,
Rosie the Riveter.

Minorities: African Americans- The Tuskegee Airmen

African American Hispanic
Americans
factories
Tuskegee Airmen

black

Alabama
segregated

- They had to go through a difficult training program.



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respected well- code talkers.

bombers Europe language

Tuskegee Airmen

bomber Japanese

War



The War and Racism

honorably
white soldiers

white

army

Americans

cooking

fight

equal

inequality



The War and Racism

government

Japanese

Japanese

Pearl

camps (government camps)

homes

jobs

businesses

Japan

sabotage (when someone damages weapons or machines on purpose)

executive order

