

Life and Times of Rosie the Riveter

This is a documentary that has no narration. Rather, it is composed completely of video clips from propaganda films and interviews of women who served in war industries. this video assignment will be due tomorrow.

1. What were the Women's lives like prior to the beginning of the war? What work opportunities did they have?
2. How did propaganda at the beginning of the war try to motivate women to work in the war industries? How did this propaganda try to overcome previous ideas of what women could and could not do? How did this propaganda also tend to reinforce older stereotypes.
3. How did the experience of these women refute the arguments made in Muller v. Oregon? Provide at least two specific examples.

4. What impact did war work have on the women seen in the video? How did it affect their sense of self? Support your examples with specific examples.

5. What evidence of discrimination is provided by the video? Think about both sex and racial discrimination. Provide two examples from the video.

6. How did the propaganda aimed at women change at the end of the war?

7. How did the women in the film feel about how they were treated at the end of the war? Explain with examples?

8. How did the way women were treated at the end of the war make you feel?