



We are a College at War: Women Working for Victory in World War II

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Southern Illinois University Press. Hardback. Book Condition: new. BRAND NEW, We are a College at War: Women Working for Victory in World War II, Mary Weaks-Baxter, Christine Bruun, Catherine Forslund, "We Are a College at War "weaves together the World War II experiences of students and faculty at Rockford College in Rockford, Illinois, to provide readers with a better understanding of the role American women and college students played during this defining period in U.S. history. Drawing on the Rockford community's letters, speeches, and campus newspaper archives, the authors demonstrate how women claimed the right to be everywhere in factories and other traditionally male workplaces, and even on the front lines and link their efforts to the rise of feminism and the fight for women's rights in the 1960s and 1970s. In analyzing how the war influenced women's education, this fascinating study shows the then all-female student body of Rockford College concerned with the crises of the world and involved in volunteerism and political activities. The authors describe how college women supported the troops using the traditional feminine culture of care outside the home; highlight the women who themselves joined the armed services and explain their reasons...



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