

THE COLOR OF FREEDOM



MILITARY
WOMEN'S
MEMORIAL



And Still, They Served:

Black Servicewomen

in World War II



Programs and Education – 2021

“V for Victory” Campaign

World War II Victory Campaign Poster Stamp

United States Holocaust Memorial Museum

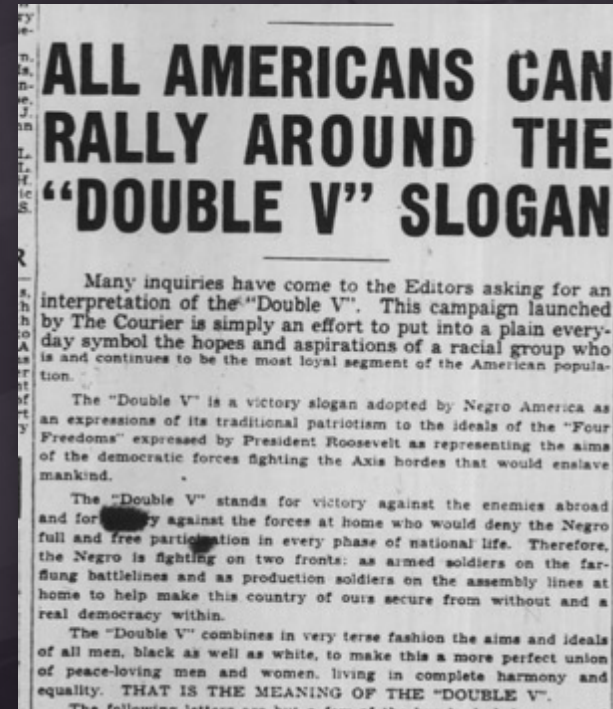
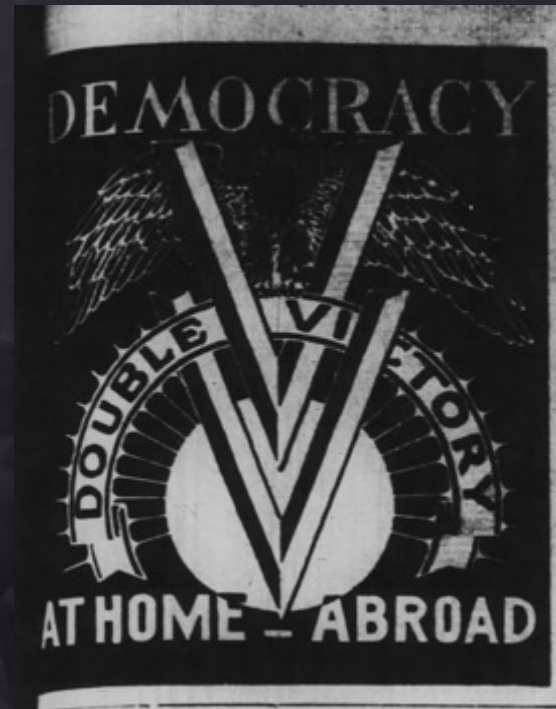


Double V Campaign



The **Double V** Logo was first used in the *Pittsburgh Courier* newspaper on February 7, 1942

newspapers.com



The *Pittsburgh Courier* publishes an editorial explaining the meaning of the **Double V Campaign** on March 21, 1942

newspapers.com



Recruiting Women

Free a Man to Fight!

Opportunities

For Women in

World War II



Library of Congress



National Archives



Recruiting Women



Military Women's Memorial



Library of Congress



Bangor Public Library



Library of Congress

Women's Army Auxiliary Corps

Women's Army Corps

Company 2
3rd Regiment
First WAC
Training Center

Fort Des Moines, Iowa
July 24, 1944

Military Women's Memorial



MILITARY
WOMEN'S
MEMORIAL

**Women Accepted for Volunteer
Emergency Services (WAVES)**

Lieutenant Junior Grade
Harriet Ida Pickens

and Ensign Frances Wills

First African American women to be
commissioned into the U.S. Navy's
WAVES, or Women Accepted for
Volunteer Emergency Service

National Archives





Women's Army Auxiliary Corps

Women's Army Corps

Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune (left)

CPT Dovey M. Johnson (right)

A luncheon at the
First WAC Training Center
Fort Des Moines, Iowa

Library of Congress



...CAN
THE
LOGAN
...
...the Editors asking for an
...This campaign launched
...to put into a plain every
...and aspirations of a racial group w
...loyal segment of the American pop
...adopted by Negro Amer
...the ideals of the
...representing t

Women's Army Auxiliary Corps

Women's Army Corps



Auxiliaries Ruth Wade

and Lucille Mayo servicing trucks

December 8, 1942

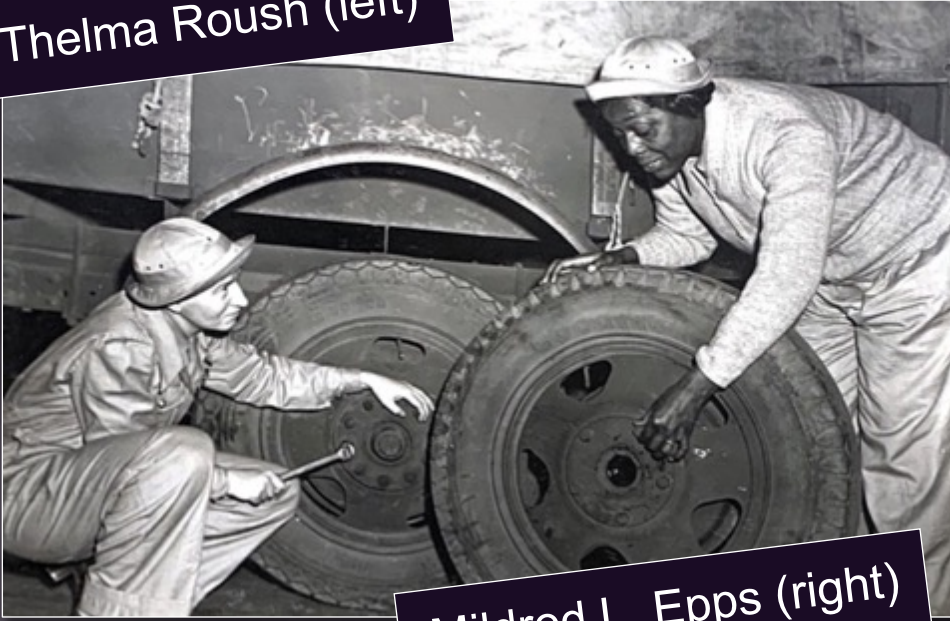
National Archives



Women's Army Auxiliary Corps / Women's Army Corps



Thelma Roush (left)



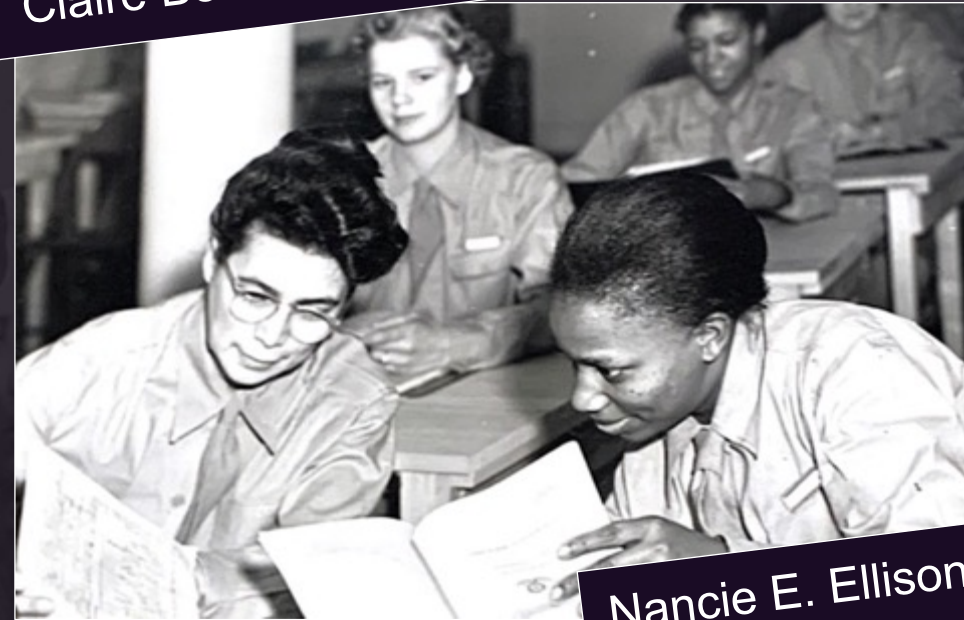
Mildred L. Epps (right)

Changing a truck tire in a garage

WAAC Training Center
Fort Des Moines, Iowa

U.S. Army Women's Museum

Claire Beecher (left)



Nancie E. Ellison (right)

Classroom discussion about supply record keeping

WAAC Training Center, Fort Des Moines, Iowa

U.S. Army Women's Museum

Women's Army Auxiliary Corps

Women's Army Corps

WAAC cooks prepare
dinner for the first time
in a new kitchen

Fort Huachuca, Arizona
December 5, 1942

National Archives



Army Nurse Corps

Black Servicewomen

Overseas

U.S. Army nurses,
newly arrived, line the
rail of their vessel as
it pulls into port of
Greenock, Scotland,
in the European Theater
of Operations

Greenock, Scotland, UK

National Archives



Army Nurse Corps

Black Servicewomen Overseas

Lt. Florie E. Gant

Tending to
a patient at a
prisoner of war
hospital

Somewhere in England, UK
October 7, 1944

National Archives





Women's Army Corps

Black Servicewomen Overseas

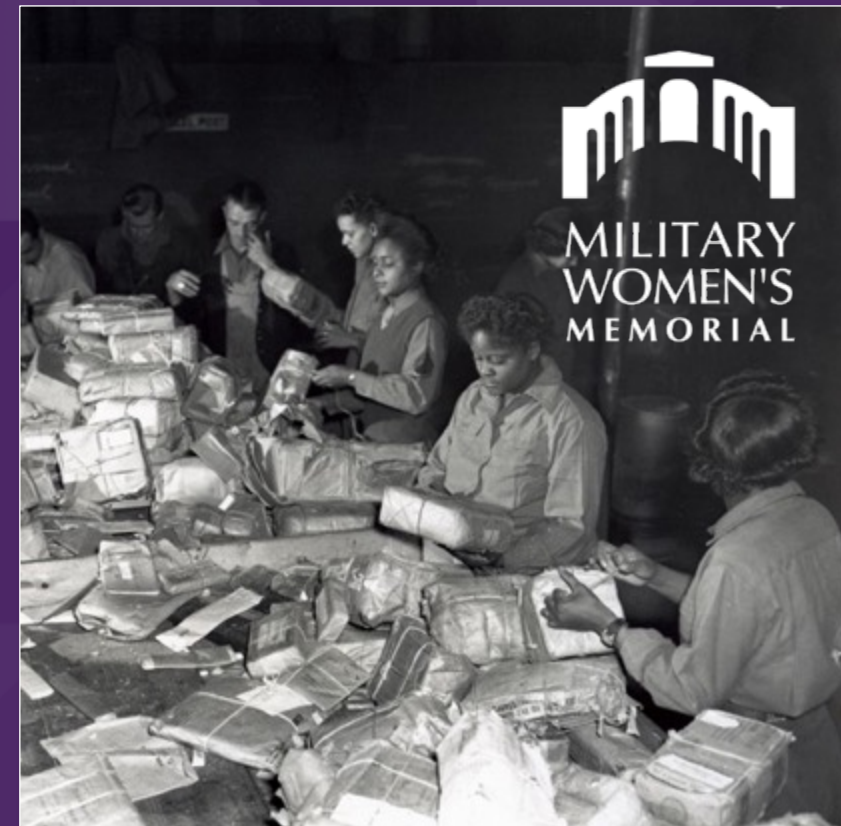


Major Charity Adams

Inspecting servicewomen of the
6888th Central Postal Directory Battalion

Birmingham, England, UK, 1945

National Archives



MILITARY
WOMEN'S
MEMORIAL

Sorting packages

Women's Army Corps members
of the 6888th Central Postal
Directory Battalion

Birmingham, England, UK

U.S. Army Women's Museum

Women's Army Corps

Black Servicewomen Overseas

VE Day Parade

Members of the
6888th Central
Postal Directory
Battalion

Birmingham
England, UK
May 13, 1945

Military Women's Memorial





Women's Army Corps

Black Servicewomen Overseas

Documentary

The Six Triple Eight: No Mail, Low Morale.

Military Women's Memorial

Link to Film Screenings

9 minute or 16 minute

Password: Vaught





Military Service

A Vessel for Civil Rights

Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune

Civil Rights activist
1949

Library of Congress



MILITARY
WOMEN'S
MEMORIAL

AMERICANS CAN
ROUND THE
"DOUBLE V" SLOGAN

Many inquiries have come to the Editors asking for an explanation of the "Double V". This campaign launched is simply an effort to put into a plain every day language the hopes and aspirations of a racial group who are the loyal segment of the American people.

adopted by Negro American
the ideals of the
representing the

Military Service

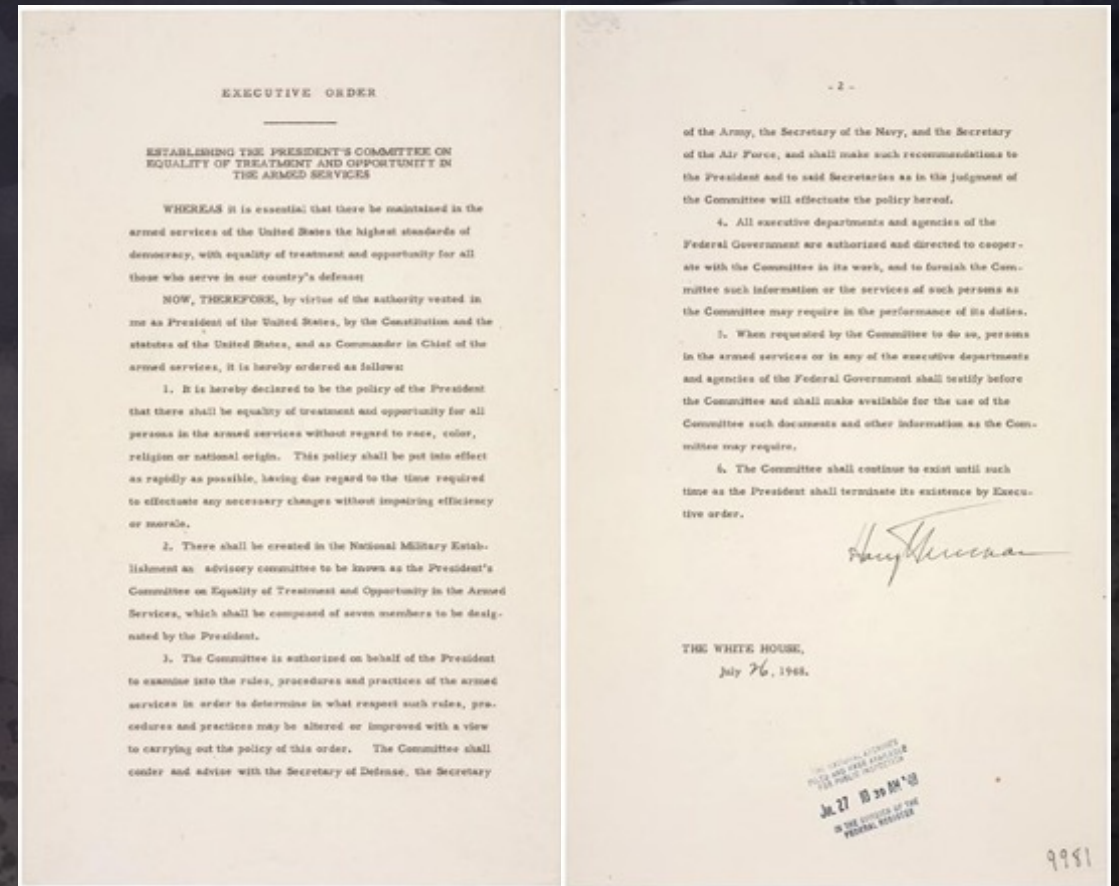
A Vessel for Civil Rights



Executive Order 9981 • July 26, 1948

President Harry Truman issued an executive order abolishing segregation in the Armed Forces and ordering full integration of all services. Executive Order 9981 stated that:

“There shall be equality of treatment and opportunity for all persons in the armed forces without regard to race, color, religion, or national origin.”





Profiles of Courage

Research one of the following women to create a profile:

1. CPT Della Raney (Army Nurse Corps)

2. MAJ Charity Adams Earley (Women's Army Corps)

3. LTJG Harriet Ida Pickens (WAVES)

4. 2LT Elinor Powell (Army Nurse Corps)

5. CPT Dovey Johnson Roundtree (Women's Army Corps)

6. Ensign Frances Wills (WAVES)





THE COLOR OF FREEDOM



Presenting Sponsor

Additional Sponsors