Photograph Collection Four: Homefront

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That’s no idle whim of Uncle Sam’s: those empty tubes you must turn in before buying more are converted into essential products. Vital tin and alloy metals are conserved by this procedure.
Judy takes a shot at the Axis, September 1942
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Judy Canova, star of stage and screen, opens her personal salvage drive for scrap rubber by aiming a well-placed shot at the Axis - she's donating her trusty slingshot to the drive. The scarcity of crude rubber is serious and reclaimed rubber made from scrap must take up part of the slack. All Americans are being urged to continue to donate used or worn out rubber articles to the nation's scrap piles.
**Two sisters who left the farm to keep our airmen flying, August 1942**

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NYA trainees at the Corpus Christi, Texas, Naval Air Base, Evelyn and Lillian Buxkeurple are shown working on a practice bomb shell. After about eight weeks of apprenticeship they will be eligible for Civil Service work in the Assembly and Repair Department at the base.
Saturday’s a holiday for most of the nation’s small fry..., October 1942
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Saturday’s a holiday for most of the nation’s small fry, but to these youngsters of Roanoke, Va., it’s fat-collection day. As part of their Junior Commando activities, these boys and girls collect all fats and greases from local housewives during the week, and turn it over to school authorities of Saturday. From here, the fats are sent to a rendering plant where precious glycerin will be derived from it.
Two grandmothers are keeping up the production schedule of the La Roe’s family shop at Eustis, Fla.,..., March 1942

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Two grandmothers are keeping up the production schedule of the La Roe’s family shop at Eustis, Fla., in processing vital parts for the Deland pool. At the left is Mrs. Ruby Laurence, Mr. La Roe’s sister, who came down from the north for a visit and stayed south to work on war production. At right is Mrs. La Roe.
There's a feminine hand at the controls of many of America's' activities these days, September 1942

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Like many other farm wives whose husbands are engaged in war work, Mrs. William Wood manages a 120-acre farm in Coloma, Mich., with little male assistance. With a crop of corn, tomatoes and raspberries to harvest, she still finds time to care for her own Victory garden and to attend a first-aid class. And for the scrap drive, Mrs. Wood salvaged 1,500 pounds of outworn metal and rubber articles from the farm, and contributed them to her local collection agency.
**Women man America’s machines in a west coast airplane factory, where the swing shift of drill press operators is composed almost entirely of women, May 1942**

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