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INDIANAPOLIS OFFICE OF PRICE ADMINISTRATION
LETTER, 12 OCTOBER 1943

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HISTORICAL SKETCH

The Office of Price Administration (OPA) was in charge of rationing and price caps during World War II. They were the government agency that regulated prices on most consumer goods. In the beginning, many stores did not heed the regulations and the agency had to put more restrictions requiring compliance in place. OPA also handled rationing. Many items were rationed during the war, including tires, cars, gas, coffee, meats and other food stuffs. OPA was in place for the duration of the war and even a little after, finally shutting down in 1947.

Sources:

"Office of Price Administration." *The Columbia Encyclopedia,* 6th ed. New York: Columbia University Press, 2001–04. www.bartleby.com/65/. [21 September 2005].

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

This collection contains two versions of the new price list letter sent to wholesale grocers in 1943 during World War II. The letters indicate the price of a variety of fruits and vegetables, first in large quantities and then by the pound.

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