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GASOLINE—In 17 east coast states A-8 coupons are good through February 8. In states outside the east coast area A-9 coupons are good thru January 21.

SUGAR—Stamp No. 29 in Book Four is good for 5 pounds through January 15.

SHOES—Stamp No. 18 in Book One, good for 1 pair. Stamp No. 1 on the "airplane" sheet in Book Three, good for 1 pair.

MEATS, FATS—Brown stamps L, M, N, and P good through January 1, 1944. Brown stamp Q becomes good December 19 and remains good through January 1, 1944.

PROCESSED FOODS-Green stamps A, B, and C in Book Four, good through December 20. Green stamps D, E, and F in Book Four, good through January 20.

FUEL OIL—Peroid 2 coupons are good through February 8 in all areas except the south where they are good through January 25. Peroid 3 coupons now valid in the middle west and south remain good through March 15 in the middle west and through February 22 in the south. Peroid 3 coupons become valid in the east January 4.

### ACTS ON LIVESTOCK FEED

As part of the government program to conserve livestock feed and make the best use of available supplies in producing the maximum volume of livestock products, WFA has taken the following steps: (1) elimination of the subsidy the Commodity Credit Corporation has been paying on corn moving from surplus to eastern and southern deficit areas: (2) an increase of 20 cents a bushel in the price of feed wheat on after December 6: and (3) an offer to buy corn during the remainder of this month at the old ceiling price in approximately 150 counties on the fringe of the corn belt where the new ceiling on corn (effective December 6) represents a reduction in prices. OPA raised the maximum price of corn 9 cents a bushel at Chicago to correct inequities in the previous regulation. At the same time, the prices of oats, barley, sorghum grains were frozen at the highest prices of the five day peroid, November 29 to December 3, pending issuance within 60 days of a permanent regulation on these feeds.

### SEED PRICES UNDER CONTROL

The 1944 program for winter cover crop seed will support prices on hairy vetch, common vetch, crimson clover, and ryegrass seeds at levels from 5 to 40 percent higher than last season, through purchases by the Commodity Credit Corporation. Fourteen types of vegetable seeds, including about 200 domestic and imported varieties, have been placed under ceiling prices by OPA. Seeds included are bean, pea, corn, beet cabbage, carrot, cauliflower, Swiss chard, cucumber, lettuce, mangel, onion, rutabaga, and turnip. All alfalfa seeds, including all state certified improved varieties, have been made subject to control of the price regulation governing legume and grass seeds by OPA. This regulation now includes the following domestic and Canadian seeds: alfalfa, medium red and mammoth red clover, alsike clover, sweet clover, timothy, and all mixtures of those seeds.

### FARM HELP FOR LUMBER SUPPLY

Because of critical over-all lumber and pulp-wood shortage which directly effects farmers, who are large users of lumber and wood-pulp products, Marvin Jones, War Food Administrator, indicated that farmers should help by: (1) increasing production from farm woodlands during the winter and (2) providing labor for forest industries during the slack winter season on farms. Lumber used on farms for the construction and maintenance of farm buildings requires three and one-half billion board feet of lumber annually, Jones said.

### BROWN POINTS FOR WASTE FATS

The housewife may now receive one brown ration point for each one-half pound of salvage kitchen fats she takes to her retailer. In addition, she will continue to receive four cents a pound. Retailers will not give points for less than one-half a pound, nor any fractional overweight.

### PLAN VICTORY GARDENS NOW

Although Victory gardeners exceeded their goal of 18 million gardens for 1943 by about 10 percent, they are asked for another 10 percent increase in 1944. Arrangements should be made now for the use of vacant land, and considerable preparatory work can go on through the winter. Hard coal ashes can be sifted and stored on plots. Compost piles and supplies of manure can be accumlated, and either turned under wherever ground is not frozen or stacked for use in early spring.

### INCREASE IN APPLE PRICES

Increases in apple prices over those for 1942 will mean that a 28-ounce jar of apple butter will cost from 3 to 4 cents more at retail' OPA reports. This reflects an increase of approximately 80 cents to $1.65 a hundredweight in apple prices and an increase of approximately 7½ cents to 15 cents a pound in apple chops. The method by which dealers in apples for home consumption determined their maximum prices in sales prior to retail was changed. With maximum prices for terminal markets the same as those for rural markets, apples tended to become scarce in rural markets. So, a premium of 3-8 of a cent a pound now is allowed on sales in rural markets.

### SYRUP PRICES ARE HIGHER

Retail prices for cane syrup have been increased by OPA as a result of refiguring the parity formula, which resulted in increased returns to sugarcane growers. Increases in no. 10 cans—slightly less than one gallon—are about 10 cents for country cane syrup, formerly known as Louisiana January 8, OPA said recently. Bemaybe bought point free through cane syrup, and 4 to 5 cents for commercial cane syrup, formerly known as Georgia cane syrup. Accumulators, mostly country store operators, have been granted an increase from 1 to 2 cents a gallon for their handling charge.

### GIFT PACKAGES POINT FREE

Gift packages of jams, jellies, fruit butter, preserves and non-citrus marmalade that were packed before October 23 for sale as Christmas gifts cause the packages were made up before these foods were rationed, and because they are often assembled in packages with such highly perishable products as cakes and cookies, it is necessary to sell them speedily to prevent waste.

### LIFT RESTRICTIONS ON BINDER TWINE

Farmers may now use binder twine where needed in growing, harvesting or shipping agrisultural products. Previously, use of binder twine was restricted to mechanical self-tying binders.

### PACKED FOOD PRODUCTS

Exempted from price control are sales by home canners who sell less than 1,500 quarts a year of packed fruits and vegetables, OPA reported recently. OPA also announced that consumers will pay more for canned sweet potatoes, brined cherries, maraschino cherries, canned mushrooms, and processed dried prunes and prune products.

### CATSUP RELEASED TO CIVILIANS

Nearly a million cases of tomato catsup soon will be released to civilians. The catsup is being released from specific reserves held and owned by canners but set aside by them for government use.

### SUSPENDER BUTTONS BACK

Suspender buttons are to be restored to men's work pants, according to an amendment of WPB's order L-181.

### OCD DIRECTORS MEET

State directors of Civilain Defense of 30 states are meeting in St. Louis this week to formulate a policy shifting the emphasis on civilian defense activities from defensive to offensive operations for the duration of the war. These directors will determine specific programs to be adopted.

### MOST COTTAGE CHEESE RATIONED

Practically all creamed cottage cheese is under rationing because brown stamps now are required for this type of cheese containing 4 percent or more butterfat, OPA pointed out. Previously, only creamed cottage cheese with a butterfat content of more than 5 percent had been rationed under the meats-fats cheese program.

### BATTERIES FOR HEARING AIDS

Batteries designed for use in hearing aids are being sold only by hearing aid dealers, and not in drug or general retail stores. This precaution has been taken by WPB in order to prevent their use for flashlights or other purposes.

### FEWER SHEETS IN TABLETS

The number of sheets in tablets, pads, and related products made from newsprint paper may be reduced, according to OPA, because of the two $4-a-ton increases in newsprint paper during 1943. On the average, seven sheets may be removed from a 5-cent pad and fourteen sheets from a 10-cent pad.

### ...Y HOME, URGES ODT

Civilians are urgently requested by the Office of Defense Transportation to give up all pleasure trips on trains or intercity buses from December 17 through January 10. Joseph B. Eastman, ODT director, requested civilians to defer even necessary travel, wherever possible, until after January 10. Because of supply limitations, few extra trains can be operated over the holidays. Unless civilians stay home, accommodations for furlough and essential war business travel cannot be assured. Despite shortages of workers, the public transportation industries are successfully carrying more passengers and more freight than ever before. However, the transportation manpower problem is now becoming serious, especially in maintenance and repairs.

### START MAKING RATION TOKENS

Manufacture was started last week on 2 billion ration tokens to be used in making "ration change" when the ration token plan goes into effect Sunday, February 27, according to OPA. The order calls for 1,100,000,000 red tokens for meats and fats and 900,000,000 blue tokens for processed foods. Food retailers will get their supply from the nation's banks. strips of stamps each having a value of 10 points regarding of the numeral now on the stamps, will be validated on a horizontal or across-the-book basis rather than on a vertical or up-and-down basis, as at present will be established, which will provide five processed food stamps worth A regular schedule of validity dates 50 points for each consumer at the start of each month. Three meat-fats stamps worth a total of 30 points will become valid every two weeks.

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Victory gardeners will have a mucht improved fertilizer for use in 1944, it is announced by the War Food Administration. For the Atlantic Coast states a 5-10-5 grade will be available, and victory gardeners will also be able to purchase small quantities of nitrate of soda, ammonium nitrate, and superphosphate to supplement the mixed fertilizer where needed.


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