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LETTER

WAR PRICE & RATIONING BOARDS

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YOU Are
Fighting for Him.

He's out there—millions of him—
fighting for you. For your secur-
ity, your future, your chance and
your children!

You ought to, you want to, you ARE
fighting for him!

All the important jobs aren't spec-
tacular. Maybe you can't carry a
gun to back him up. Maybe you can't
wear a uniform. But you do your
part every time you help your mer-
chants correct their prices—every
time you ration the gasoline so

precious to him out there—every
time you do a piece of office drud-
gery.

He fights with shot and shell and
unflinching courage for the America
he knows. You, too, fight—with
weapons less war-like, perhaps, but
just as vital for the America HE
will come back to.

FIRST APPLICATION

APPLICATION FOR WAR RATION BOOK (To be filled in by Registrar only)

IMPORTANT.—A separate application must be made by (or, where the Regulations permit, on behalf of) every person to whom a War Ration Book is to be issued. The separate applications for each and every member of a Family Unit (see Instructions to Registrar) must be made by one, and only one, adult member of such Family Unit.

Local Board No. _____ County _____ State _____

Application made at _____
NAME OF SCHOOL, BUILDING, OR OTHER ADDRESS

Date _____, 194____ Book One No. _____

1. NAME, ADDRESS, AND DESCRIPTION of person to whom the book is to be issued:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	MIDDLE NAME
STREET NO. OR P. O. BOX NO.	STREET OR R. F. D.	CITY OR TOWN
COUNTY	STATE	

ft. _____ in. _____ lbs. _____
HEIGHT WEIGHT COLOR OF EYES COLOR OF HAIR

_____ yrs. Sex Male Female

2. (a) If the person named above IS a member of a Family Unit, state the following:

(1) Number of persons in Family Unit, including the person named above _____

(2) The person named above is my—

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
<small>SELF.</small>	<small>FATHER.</small>	<small>MOTHER.</small>	<small>HUSBAND.</small>	<small>WIFE.</small>	<small>SON.</small>	<small>DAUGHTER.</small>	<small>EXCEPTION</small>

(3) Total amount of white and brown sugar in any form which is owned by the Family Unit or its members: _____ lbs.

(b) If the person named above IS NOT a member of a Family Unit, state the total amount of white and brown sugar in any form which is owned by the person named above: _____ lbs.

3. Number of War Ration Stamps to be removed from War Ration Book One (upon the basis of information stated above): _____
IF NONE, WRITE NONE

I hereby make application to the Office of Price Administration, an agency of the United States Government, for the issuance to the person whose name, address, and description are set forth above, of War Ration Book One and all War Ration Books hereafter issued for which the person named above becomes eligible under Rationing Regulations. I hereby certify that I have authority to make this application on behalf of the person named above, that no other application for a War Ration Book has been made by or on behalf of such person, and that the statements made above are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Section 35 (A) of the United States Criminal Code makes it a criminal offense, punishable by a maximum of ten years' imprisonment, \$10,000 fine, or both, to make a false statement or representation to any Department or Agency of the United States as to any matter within the jurisdiction of any Department or Agency of the United States.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT _____

I hereby certify that I have witnessed the Applicant's signature and that War Ration Book One, bearing the above number, has been delivered to the Applicant with the above-stated number of stamps removed.

SIGNATURE OF REGISTRAR _____

(This space reserved for later entries by Local Board or Applicant)

The undersigned hereby certifies to the Office of Price Administration that he received the following War Ration Books on the dates indicated below or on the back hereof, and that with each receipt he reaffirms the truth of the statements in the foregoing application.

<small>Date</small>	<small>Book No.</small>	<small>Serial No.</small>	<small>Signature of Applicant</small>
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

(Father, Mother, or Guardian)

and indicate relationship to Book Holder

Any person signing on behalf of Book Holder must sign his or her own name below

(Signature of, or on behalf of, Book Holder)

[Book Holder's Own Name]

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that I have observed all the conditions and regulations governing the issuance of this War Ration Book; that the "Description of Book Holder" contained herein is correct; that an application for issuance of this book has been duly made by me or on my behalf; and that the statements contained in said application are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Certificate of Book Holder

The Stamps contained in this Book are valid only after the lawful holder of this Book has signed the certificate below, and are void if detached contrary to the Regulations. (A father, mother, or guardian may sign the name of a person under 18.) In case of questions, difficulties or complaints, consult your local Ration Board.

FOLD BACK + FOLD BACK

Certificate of Registrar

This is to Certify that pursuant to the Rationing Orders and Regulations administered by the OFFICE OF PRICE ADMINISTRATION, an agency of the United States Government,

(Name, Address, and Description of person to whom the book is issued:)

(Last name) (First name) (Middle name)

(Street No. or P. O. Box No.) (Street or R. F. D.)

(City or town) (County) (State)

Local Board No. County State

(Signature)

(Registrar)

Stamps must not be detached except in the presence of the retailer, his employee, or person authorized by him to make delivery.

WAR RATION STAMP	28	WAR RATION STAMP	26	WAR RATION STAMP	24	WAR RATION STAMP	22	WAR RATION STAMP	20	WAR RATION STAMP	18	WAR RATION STAMP	16	WAR RATION STAMP	14	WAR RATION STAMP	12	WAR RATION STAMP	10	WAR RATION STAMP	8	WAR RATION STAMP	6	WAR RATION STAMP	4	WAR RATION STAMP	2
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