HEBERT BROS. MEAT MARKET RECORDS

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Inventory

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SUMMARY

Size 0.3 linear ft.

Geographic Locations

Point Coupee Parish, La.

Inclusive Dates 1943-1946

Languages English

Summary Business records contain financial papers, correspondence,

reports, subsidy claims, and federal regulations relating to the production, sale and distribution of meat under the Food Rationing Program of the United States Dept. of Agriculture

during World War II.

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BIOGRAPHICAL/HISTORICAL NOTE

The Food Rationing Program was instituted in the United States in 1942, giving the federal government control over the food supply during World War II. Rationing was introduced to avoid shortages, and to maintain an adequate food supply for the armed forces. Hebert Bros. Meat Market of Morganza, in Pointe Coupee Parish, La., was licensed by the United States Dept. of Agriculture to participate in the production of meat to be rationed and sold under this program.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

Business records of the Hebert Bros. Meat Market relate to the production, sale and distribution of meat under the Food Rationing Program of the United States Dept. of Agriculture during World War II. Records consist of correspondence, reports on slaughtered livestock, federal regulations on meat production, invoices, purchase orders, claims for subsidy payments, statements of account, and Louisiana sales tax returns. Printed material includes supplements and amendments to federal regulations pertaining to the production and distribution of meat.

LIST OF SUB-GROUPS, SERIES, AND SUBSERIES

Series I. Administrative records, 1943-1946.

Series II. Financial records, 1943-1946

Series III. Printed items, 1945-1946.

SERIES DESCRIPTIONS

Series I. Administrative records, 1943-1946.

Administrative records consist primarily of forms filed with United States Dept. of Agriculture, Office of Price Administration. Slaughter reports (March-April 1946) record number and weight of animals slaughtered. Monthly reports (1943-1945) filed with the OPA, War Price and Rationing Board give statistics on livestock slaughtered and ration points collected. Claims submitted for livestock slaughter payments state the amount of each claim. General records (1943-1946) contain butchers' application and permit (March 30, 1943), and a butcher's license (1945) issued by the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture, authorizing Hebert Bros. to distribute meat in the interest of the war effort. Correspondence relates to meat grading regulations, licensing, meat subsidy, and wholesale pricing.

Series II. Financial records, 1943-1946

Financial records consist of Louisiana sales tax returns (1945-1946); statements of account with New Roads Stockyard (1944-1945) and Dominique Commission Barn, Opelousas, La., for livestock auctions (1945); invoices and purchase orders for meat sold to the U.S. War Dept. for the U.S. dredge Pullen and pump barge #2 (1946); and meat sold to The Mengel Co. of Baton Rouge, La., for a logging camp (1946).

Series III. Printed items, 1945-1946.

Printed items are primarily supplements and amendments to federal regulations regarding meat processors, wholesalers, slaughter of livestock, pricing of meat products, and the rationing and distribution of the food supply to the civilian population and armed forces. There is also a poster distributed by the U. S. Office of Price Administration (1945) listing fixed meat prices for various cuts of beef, pork, lamb, mutton, and veal.

1943-1946

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