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**New York State War Council Office of the Mileage
Administrator Government Agency Automobile Usage
Rationing Coordination Files A4243**

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Overview of the Records

Repository:	New York State Archives
Summary:	This series contains correspondence between Milton Alpert, Departmental Mileage Administrator for the War Council, and other government officials; bulletins from the federal Office of Price Administration detailing new regulations and amendments concerning gasoline and tire rationing; travel vouchers for the various agencies of the War Council; and file cards listing all State employees who used a personal car on official business. The records relate to the administration of rationing procedures as part of the office's duty to conserve resources.
Creator:	New York State War Council. Office of the Mileage Administrator
Title:	Government agency automobile usage rationing coordination files
Quantity:	2 cubic feet
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Series:	A4243

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Arrangement

Alphabetical by division name or subject.

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Administrative History

Milton Alpert served as the Departmental Mileage Administrator for the War Council. The duties of the office were to supervise the operation of privately owned vehicles used for official, departmental business; to examine and pass on gasoline and tire applications; and to keep an up-to-date record of the mileage covered by such vehicles.

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Scope and Content Note

This series contains correspondence, bulletins, travel vouchers, and file cards relating to the administration of rationing procedures as part of the office's duty to conserve resources.

The travel vouchers provide miles per gallon, time period covered, and type of ration coupons used, for the various agencies of the War Council. The card file lists all State employees who used a personal car on official business and contains the name, address, and duties of the employee, the department employer, address, and departmental mileage administrator, and (sometimes) an explanation of job duties which required automobile use. The cards also tracked the requests of each employee (gasoline needed per month, tires, tubes, renewal, or supplemental). These cards are arranged alphabetically by department or agency name.

Other files contain correspondence between Alpert and other government officials regarding the enforcement of regulations at the local level, reductions or additions to individuals' mileage allotments, and the settlement of the disagreements between State and local authorities. Included are lists of local mileage administrators and various government departments' mileage administrators.

Semi-weekly bulletins from the federal Office of Price Administration (OPA) detail new regulations and amendments concerning gasoline and tire rationing. They also report different states' reductions in consumption. Quarterly reports to the OPA from New York State delineate the number of vehicles in use in each department, the types of vehicles, and the miles driven in public service.

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Other Finding Aids

Available at Repository

Folder list is available at the repository.

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Use of Records

Access Restrictions

There are no restrictions regarding access to or use of the material.

Administrative Information

Processing Information

This series was originally accessioned as part of old collection #77, accession -71.

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Access Terms

- World War, 1939-1945--Economic aspects--New York (State)
- World War, 1939-1945--Fuel supplies--New York (State)
- New York (State)
- Regulating fuel consumption
- Rationing--New York (State)
- Vouchers (sales records)