

Rent Director Issues Warning to Hotels and Boarding Houses

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Area Rent Director Mr. Edgar Wright, today sounded a warning to operators of hotels, rooming houses and tourist camps in this defense-rental area that they must post their legal maximum rent in each room or face prosecution under the Emergency Price Control Act.

"The posting requirements of the rent regulations are extremely essential," Mr. Wright pointed out, because it is the method by which tenants can tell they are pawing [sic] the legal maximum rent and no more. At the same time it serves as a method of legal protection for the operator."

The regulations say that the maximum legal rent must be plainly posted in each room either rented or offered for rent. The rent must be posted for all terms of occupancy and for all numbers of occupants. Where the taking of meals by a tenant or prospective tenant is a condition of renting such a room, the card or sign must so state this fact, he said. Any change ordered in the rent by the area rent office must be posted, Mr. Wright declared.