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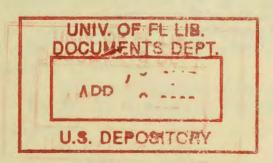
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FOR THE

FUR DEALING TRADE

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ORDER

Approving Amendment of Code of Fair Competition for the Fur Dealing Trade

An application having been duly made pursuant to and in full compliance with the provisions of Title I of the National Industrial Recovery Act, approved June 16, 1933, for approval of an amendment to a Code of Fair Competition for the Fur Dealing Trade, and hearings having been duly held thereon and the annexed report on said amendment, containing findings with respect thereto, having been made and directed to the President:

NOW, THEREFORE, on behalf of the President of the United States, the National Industrial Recovery Board, pursuant to authority vested in it by Executive Orders of the President, including Executive Order No. 6859, and otherwise, does hereby incorporate by reference said annexed report and does find that said amendment and the code as constituted, after being amended, comply in all respects with the pertinent provisions and will promote the policies and purposes of said title of said act; and does hereby order that said amendment be and it is hereby approved, and that the previous approval of said code is hereby amended to include an approval of said code in its entirety as amended.

NATIONAL INDUSTRIAL RECOVERY BOARD, By W. A. HARRIMAN, Administrative Officer.

Approval recommended:
PRENTISS L. COONLEY,
Division Administrator.

Washington, D. C., January 9, 1935. 107929°—1465-74—35 (1)

REPORT TO THE PRESIDENT

The President,

The White House.

SR: This is a report on the amendment to the Code of Fair Competition for the Fur Dealing Trade and on the hearing conducted thereon in Washington, D. C., on December 4, 1934, in accordance with the provisions of Title I of the National Industrial Recovery Act.

GENERAL STATEMENT

The Fur Dealing Trade, through the Code Authority Board, has availed itself of the provision in Section 2 of Article IX of the Code of Fair Competition for the Fur Dealing Trade, approved by the Administrator on the 4th day of April, 1934.

RESUME OF AMENDMENT

I. This amendment clarifies the Rabbit Dealing Division of the Trade, and was requested by the Division. The Rabbit Dealing Division has provisions which do not apply to others, and it is only fair to their Division and the other Divisions that those dealing 65% in rabbits should be considered as under this Division.

II. The amendment of Article VII is to cover some of the misleading practices prevalent in the Industry, especially pertaining

to advertising practices.

The Deputy Administrator, in his final report to the National Industrial Recovery Board on said amendment to said Code, having found as herein set forth and on the basis of all the proceedings in this matter:

The National Industrial Recovery Board finds that:

(a) The amendment to the said Code and the Code as amended are well designed to promote the policies and purposes of Title I of the National Industrial Recovery Act, including the removal of obstructions to the free flow of interstate and foreign commerce, which tend to diminish the amount thereof, and will provide for the general welfare by promoting the organization of industry for the purpose of cooperative action among trade groups, by inducing and maintaining united action of labor and management under adequate governmental sanction and supervision, by eliminating unfair competitive practices, by promoting the fullest possible utilization of the present productive capacity of the industries, by avoiding undue restrictions of production (except as may be temporarily required), by increasing the consumption of industrial and agricultural products through increasing purchasing power, by reducing and relieving unemployment, by improving standards of labor, and by otherwise rehabilitating industry.

(b) The Code as amended complies in all respects with the pertinent provisions of said Title of said Act, including without limitation Sub-section (a) of Section 3, Sub-section (a) of Section 7 and Sub-section (b) of Section 10, thereof.

(c) The Code empowers the Code Authority Board to present the

aforesaid amendment in behalf of the Industry as a whole.

(d) The amendment and the Code as amended are not designed to

and will not permit monopolies or monopolistic practices.

(e) The amendment and the Code as amended are not designed to and will not eliminate or oppress small enterprises and will not operate to discriminate against them.

(f) Those engaged in other steps of the economic process have not been deprived of the right to be heard prior to approval of said

amendment.

For the National Industrial Recovery Board:

W. A. HARRIMAN, Administrative Officer.

JANUARY 9, 1935.

AMENDMENT TO CODE OF FAIR COMPETITION FOR THE FUR DEALING TRADE

1. Section 4, of Article II, shall be amended to read as follows: The term "Rabbit Dealing Division" as used herein shall include all those whose business to the extent of at least sixty-five percent (65%) consists in dealing in rabbit skins.

2. Article VII, shall be amended to read as follows:

Section 1. No member of the trade shall use advertising (whether printed, radio, display or of any other nature) or other representation which is inaccurate in any material particular or in any way misrepresent any commodity (including its use, trade mark, grade, quality, quantity, origin, size, material content, or preparation) or credit terms, values, policies, services, or the nature or form of business conducted.

(a) All price lists, circulars, and other literature used in the solicitation of raw furs (when the prices are stated) shall quote prices payable net to consignors without deduction of any charges except transportation; however, a stipulated commission may be deducted where goods are actually sold intact on commission for the account of shippers. All price lists shall state the expiration time of prices quoted thereon.

(b) A copy of all price lists, circulars and other literature and other advertising used in the solicitation of raw furs shall be filed

with the Code Authority Board on the date of issuance.

(c) All price lists shall indicate the State or States in which the

prices are effective.

Section 2. No member of the trade shall use selling or buying methods or credit terms which tend to deceive or mislead customers or prospective customers.

Section 3. No member of the trade shall brand or mark any commodity of the trade in any manner which tends to mislead or deceive purchasers with respect to the grade, quality, quantity, origin, size,

material content, name, or preparation of such commodity.

Section 4. No member of the trade shall give, permit to be given, or directly offer to give anything of value for the purpose of influencing or rewarding the action of any employee, agent or representative of another in relation to the business of the employer of such employee, the principal of such agent or the represented party, without the knowledge of such employer, principal or party. This provision shall not be construed to prohibit free and general distribution of articles commonly used for advertising, except so far as such articles are actually used for commercial bribery as hereinabove defined.

Section 5. No member of the trade shall secretly or otherwise give or receive anything of value to or from the employee or agent of a customer for the purpose of influencing a sale, or in furtherance of

a sale render a bill or statement of account to such employee, agent or customer, which is inaccurate in any material particular.

Section 6. No member of the trade shall use any unfair means to secure confidential information regarding the manner in which

a competitor conducts his business.

Section 7. No member of the trade shall maliciously attempt to induce the breach of an existing contract between a competitor and his customer or source of supply; nor shall any such member maliciously interfere with or obstruct the performance of such contractual duties or services.

Section 8. No member of the trade shall knowingly solicit or buy,

or in any way deal in, furs illegally taken.

Section 9. No member of the trade shall allow any discount for cash payments in excess of 2% cash, net sixty days; beyond sixty days notes and accounts shall bear interest at not less than six per

cent (6%) per annum after sixty days.

Section 10. No member of the trade shall give or allow or receive secret rebates, refunds, commissions, credits or unearned discounts, whether in the form of money or otherwise; nor shall he secretly extend to certain purchasers special services or privileges not extended to all purchasers on like terms and conditions. Nor shall he give or receive unfounded or excessive allowances for damage or alleged damage to skins.

Section 11. No member of the trade shall refund transportation

charges on direct shipments from trappers.

Section 12. No member of the trade shall cause raw fur skins to be dressed in combination process or otherwise by members of the Fur Dressing and Fur Dyeing Industry, unless such members of said industry shall be operating under a registry number and N. R. A. insignia, issued by or through the National Industrial Recovery Board or the Code Authority Board of the Fur Dressing and Fur Dyeing Industry. No member of the trade shall cause raw or dressed fur skins to be dyed in combination process or otherwise by a member of the Fur Dressing and Fur Dyeing Industry, unless such dyer shall be operating under a registry number and N. R. A. insignia, issued by or through the National Industrial Recovery Board or the Code Authority Board of the Fur Dressing and Fur Dyeing Industry. Dyed skins shall bear thereon the unremovable stamp, seal or impression, giving the registry number and N. R. A. insignia assigned to the member of the Fur Dressing and Fur Dyeing Industry.

(a) No member of this trade shall sell to, buy from, or otherwise deal with a member of this trade unless such member is operating under the N. R. A. insignia and registry number provided for in

Article VIII of this Code.

Approved Code No. 381—Amendment No. 3. Registry No. 917–10.

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