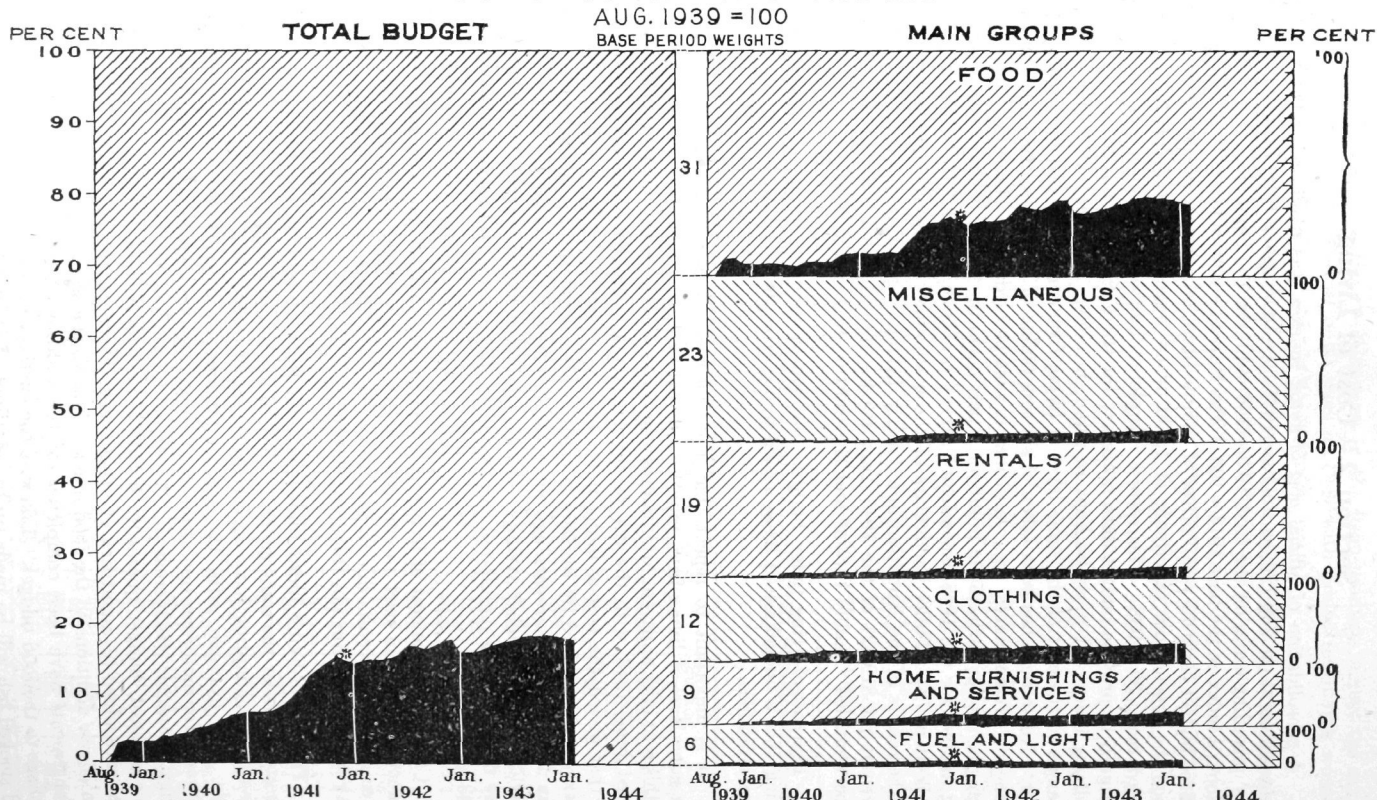


COST OF LIVING INDEX



The solid black areas superimposed on the shaded basic areas show the percentage increases that have taken place in the index over the period indicated. The over-all price ceiling became effective December 1, 1941 (indicated by the asterisk)