

**5168. Cal-Fer-D tablets.** (F. D. C. No. 38986. S. No. 22-974 M.)

**QUANTITY:** 34 100-tablet btls. at Boston, Mass., in possession of Pitman-Moore Co.

**SHIPPED:** 5-3-55, from Indianapolis, Ind.

**LABEL IN PART:** (Btl.) "Tablets Cal-Fer-D Coated Red Each tablet represents: \* \* \* Vitamin D (Irradiated Ergosterol) . . . 200 U. S. P. units."

**RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION:** Analysis showed that the article contained approximately 50 percent of the declared amount of vitamin D.

**LIBELED:** 3-8-56, Dist. Mass.

**CHARGE:** 501 (c)—the strength of the article, while held for sale, differed from that which it purported and was represented to possess; and 502 (a)—the label statement "Each tablet represents: \* \* \* Vitamin D (Irradiated Ergosterol) . . . 200 U. S. P. units" was false and misleading.

**DISPOSITION:** 6-19-56. Default—destruction.

**5169. Magnesium carbonate.** (F. D. C. No. 39281. S. No. 31-340 M.)

**QUANTITY:** 6 50-lb. bags at Cincinnati, Ohio.

**SHIPPED:** 4-11-56, from Philadelphia, Pa., by Darlington Chemicals, Inc.

**LABEL IN PART:** (Bag) "Magnesium Oxide Light Powder \* \* \* Darlington Chemicals (Inc.) Philadelphia, Pa. Made in England"; (sticker) "DCI Magnesium Carbonate U. S. P."

**RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION:** Analysis showed that the article was magnesium oxide with a small amount of calcium oxide.

**LIBELED:** 6-18-56, S. Dist. Ohio.

**CHARGE:** 501 (d)—when shipped, magnesium oxide with a small amount of calcium oxide had been substituted for *magnesium carbonate*; and 502 (a)—the label statement "DCI Magnesium Carbonate U. S. P." was false and misleading.

**DISPOSITION:** 7-17-56. Default—destruction.

**5170. Ephedrine sulfate.** (F. D. C. No. 39006. S. No. 47-632 M.)

**QUANTITY:** 1 case containing 2 100-oz. cans, and 1 500-oz. drum at New York, N. Y.

**SHIPPED:** 1-31-56, from England.

**RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION:** The article was water-damaged in shipment.

**LIBELED:** 4-3-56, S. Dist. N. Y.

**CHARGE:** 501 (b), while held for sale, the quality and purity of the article fell below the standard set forth in the United States Pharmacopeia since the standard provides that *ephedrine sulfate* when dried at 105° for 3 hours, loses not more than 2 percent of its weight; whereas the article when dried at 105° for 3 hours, would lose substantially more than 2 percent of its weight because of excessive water content.

**DISPOSITION:** 4-24-56. Default—destruction.

**5171. Digitalis tablets.** (F. D. C. No. 38985. S. No. 23-877 M.)

**QUANTITY:** 1 drum containing 24,000 tablets at Tucson, Ariz.

**SHIPPED:** 12-29-55, from Denver, Colo., by Western Research Laboratories.

**RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION:** Analysis showed that the digitalis potency of the article was less than 85 percent of its declared potency of 1½ grains of U. S. P.