

5926. Adulteration of eggs. U. S. * * * v. Farmers Union Cooperative Association, a corporation. Plea of nolo contendere. Fine, \$25 and costs. (F. & D. No. 8032. I. S. No. 10501-m.)

On March 20, 1917, the United States attorney for the District of Kansas, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district an information against the Farmers Union Cooperative Association, a corporation, Little River, Kans., alleging shipment by said company, in violation of the Food and Drugs Act, on or about July 23, 1916, from the State of Kansas into the State of Missouri, of a quantity of eggs which were adulterated.

Examination of a sample of the article by the Bureau of Chemistry of this department showed the following results:

1 case of 360 eggs was examined and 192 eggs, or 53.3 per cent, were found to be bad.

Adulteration of the article was alleged in the information for the reason that it consisted in part of a filthy, decomposed, and putrid animal substance.

On September 25, 1917, the defendant company entered a plea of nolo contendere to the information, and the court imposed a fine of \$25 and costs.

C. F. MARVIN, *Acting Secretary of Agriculture.*