

18016. Adulteration of walnut meats. U. S. v. 200 Boxes of Walnut Meats. Product ordered released under bond. (F. & D. No. 25526. I. S. No. 2091. S. No. 3736.)

Examination of walnut meats from the herein-described shipment having shown that wormy, moldy, and rancid nuts were present in the article, the Secretary of Agriculture reported the matter to the United States attorney for the Southern District of California.

On December 19, 1930, the United States attorney filed in the District Court of the United States for the district aforesaid a libel praying seizure and condemnation of 200 boxes of walnut meats, remaining in the original unbroken packages at Los Angeles, Calif., alleging that the article had been shipped from Seattle, Wash., on or about December 13, 1930, and had been transported from the State of Washington into the State of California, and charging adulteration in violation of the food and drugs act. The article was labeled in part: "Mayer's Brand California Shelled Walnuts."

It was alleged in the libel that the article was adulterated in that it consisted partly of a filthy, decomposed, or putrid vegetable substance.

On December 24, 1930, Leon Mayer, Los Angeles, Calif., claimant, having admitted the material allegations of the libel and having filed cost bond in the sum of \$250 and release bond in the sum of \$2,000, a decree was entered ordering that the product be released to the said claimant to be reconditioned under the supervision of this department.

ARTHUR M. HYDE, *Secretary of Agriculture.*

18017. Adulteration of butter. U. S. v. 10 Tubs of Butter. Consent decree of condemnation. Product released under bond. (F. & D. No. 25446. I. S. No. 8831. S. No. 3561.)

Samples of butter from the herein-described shipment having been found to contain less than the legal requirement of milk fat, namely, less than 80 per cent of milk fat, the Secretary of Agriculture reported the matter to the United States attorney for the Western District of New York.

On October 30, 1930, the United States attorney filed in the District Court of the United States for the district aforesaid a libel praying seizure and condemnation of 10 tubs of butter at Buffalo, N. Y., consigned by the Land O'Lakes Creameries (Inc.), Duluth, Minn., alleging that the article had been shipped from Duluth, Minn., October 23, 1930, and had been transported from the State of Minnesota into the State of New York, and charging adulteration in violation of the food and drugs act.

It was alleged in the libel that the article was adulterated in that a product containing less than 80 per cent of milk fat had been substituted for butter.

On October 31, 1930, the Land O'Lakes Creameries (Inc.), Duluth, Minn., having appeared as claimant for the property and having consented to the entry of a decree, judgment of condemnation was entered and it was ordered by the court that the product be released to the said claimant to be reworked and reconditioned under the supervision of this department, upon payment of costs and the execution of a bond in the sum of \$480, conditioned in part that it should not be sold or otherwise disposed of contrary to the law.

ARTHUR M. HYDE, *Secretary of Agriculture.*

18018. Adulteration of dressed poultry. U. S. v. 27 Barrels and 1 Box of Poultry. Consent decree of condemnation and forfeiture. Product released under bond. (F. & D. No. 25631. I. S. No. 25361. S. No. 3920.)

Examination of the herein-described shipment having shown the presence therein of tuberculous, emaciated, and otherwise diseased or unfit poultry, the Secretary of Agriculture reported the matter to the United States attorney for the Northern District of Illinois.

On or about January 7, 1931, the United States attorney filed in the District Court of the United States for the district aforesaid a libel praying seizure and condemnation of 27 barrels and 1 box of poultry at Chicago, Ill., alleging that the article had been shipped by the Fairmont Packing Co., from Fairmont, Minn., December 24, 1930, and had been transported from the State of Minnesota into the State of Illinois, and charging adulteration in violation of the food and drugs act.

It was alleged in the libel that the article was adulterated in that it consisted in part of emaciated and insufficiently bled birds, and birds with generalized