

had been shipped in interstate commerce, on or about March 8, 1932, by the California Packing Corporation, from San Francisco, Calif., to Pittsburgh, Pa., and charging adulteration in violation of the food and drugs act. The article was labeled in part: "Winner Brand Dried Black Grapes Western Fruit Packing Co., San Francisco, Calif."

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

On May 31, 1932, by consent of the claimant, judgment of condemnation and forfeiture were entered, and it was ordered by the court that the product be destroyed by the United States marshal.

HENRY A. WALLACE, *Secretary of Agriculture.*

19822. Adulteration of pears. U. S. v. C. M. Holtzinger Fruit Co. (Inc.).
Plea of guilty. Fine, \$100. (F. & D. No. 26640. I. S. No. 13160.)

Arsenic and lead were found on pears taken from the interstate shipment on which this action was based.

On November 10, 1931, the United States attorney for the Eastern District of Washington, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for the district aforesaid an information against C. M. Holtzinger Fruit Co. (Inc.), a corporation, Yakima, Wash., alleging shipment by said company in violation of the food and drugs act on or about February 18, 1931, from the State of Washington into the State of California, of a quantity of pears that were adulterated.

It was alleged in the information that the article was adulterated in that it contained added poisonous and deleterious ingredients, lead and arsenic, in amounts that might have rendered it injurious to health.

On May 4, 1932, a plea of guilty was entered on behalf of the defendant company, and the court imposed a fine of \$100.

HENRY A. WALLACE, *Secretary of Agriculture.*

19823. Misbranding of dairy feed. U. S. v. The Hermitage Mills (Inc.).
Plea of guilty. Fine, \$50. (F. & D. No. 26622. I. S. Nos. 011128, 011129.)

This action was based on the interstate shipments of quantities of dairy feed, samples of which were found to contain more fiber than declared on the label. Examination also showed the presence of excessive undeclared oat hulls.

On October 21, 1931, the United States attorney for the Middle District of Tennessee, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for the district aforesaid an information against the Hermitage Mills, a corporation, Nashville, Tenn., alleging shipment by said company in violation of the food and drugs act, from the State of Tennessee into the State of Kentucky, in part on or about January 8, 1930, and in part on or about February 6, 1930, of quantities of dairy feed that was misbranded. The article was labeled in part: (Tag) "Jersey Queen Dairy Feed Made By The Hermitage Mills, Nashville, Tenn., Guaranteed Analysis Per Cent * * * Fiber 15.00. Made From: Old Process Coconut Oil Cake Meal, Wheat Shorts, Ground Oats, Corn Feed Meal, Cottonseed Meal, Alfalfa Meal, Bone Meal 2%, Molasses, Salt 1%."

It was alleged in the information that the article was misbranded in that the statements, "Guaranteed Analysis Per Cent * * * Fiber 15.00" and "Made From: Old Process Coconut Oil Cake Meal, Wheat Shorts, Ground Oats, Corn Feed Meal, Cottonseed Meal, Alfalfa Meal, Bone Meal 2%, Molasses, Salt 1%," borne on the tag attached to the bags containing the article were false and misleading; and for the further reason that the article was labeled as aforesaid so as to deceive and mislead the purchaser, since the said statements represented that the article contained 15 per cent of fiber, and was made exclusively from the ingredients declared on the tag, whereas it contained more than 15 per cent of fiber and was not made exclusively from the ingredients stated on the tag, but was made in part of and contained an excessive quantity of oat hulls.

On May 19, 1932, a plea of guilty to the information was entered on behalf of the defendant company, and the court imposed a fine of \$50.

HENRY A. WALLACE, *Secretary of Agriculture.*