

**21212. Misbranding of Admirine. U. S. v. 10 Dozen Bottles, et al., of Admirine. Default decrees of condemnation, forfeiture, and destruction.** (F. & D. nos. 30534, 31050, 31051. Sample nos. 35655-A, 46212-A, 46694-A.)

Examination of the drug preparation Admirine disclosed that it contained no ingredient or combination of ingredients capable of producing certain curative and therapeutic effects claimed on the carton and bottle labels.

On May 29, 1933, the United States attorney for the Eastern District of Louisiana, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the district court a libel praying seizure and condemnation of 10 dozen bottles of Admirine at Houma, La. On September 2, 1933, libels were filed in the Western District of Louisiana against 7 dozen bottles of Admirine at Alexandria, La., and 136 bottles of Admirine at Monroe, La. It was alleged in the libels that the article had been shipped in interstate commerce, in various shipments on or about January 18, 1932, February 18, 1933, and March 21, 1933, by the Eucaline Medicine Co., from Dallas, Tex., and that it was misbranded in violation of the Food and Drugs Act as amended.

Analysis of a sample of the article by this Department showed that it consisted essentially of sodium sulphate, magnesium sulphate, iron chloride, potassium iodide (0.5 percent), extracts of plant drugs, and water flavored with cinnamon oil. The article contained no arsenic, mercury, nor alkaloids.

The libels charged that the article was misbranded in that the following statements appearing on the carton and bottle labels, regarding the curative and therapeutic effects of the article, were false and fraudulent: (Carton) "The Body Builder' Is \* \* \* Blood Medicine. \* \* \* The 'Body Builder' Is recommended to \* \* \* stimulate the Liver and Kidneys to action. \* \* \* Purifies the blood, destroys Malaria, stops Chills and Fever quickly and restores vitality to the weakened body. \* \* \* The 'Body Builder' \* \* \* Blood Medicine For Tired Feeling, Sluggish Liver, \* \* \* Dizziness, Belching of Gas, Sour Stomach, Weakness, \* \* \* Indigestion, Foul Breath, Coated Tongue, Nervousness, Sallow Skin, Chronic Chills or Ordinary Chills, Periodical Fevers and the Different Forms of Blood Troubles that are caused by Malaria Poisoning"; (bottle) "'The Body Builder' \* \* \* As a tonic for the blood and general System. \* \* \* To Stop Chills and Fever \* \* \* A Blood Medicine and Restorative Tonic."

On June 26, November 6, 1933, and January 22, 1934, no claimant having appeared for the property, judgments of condemnation and forfeiture were entered, and it was ordered by the court that the product be destroyed by the United States marshal.

M. L. WILSON, *Acting Secretary of Agriculture.*

**21213. Misbranding of Catalyn. U. S. v. 85 Large Packages and 37 Small Packages of Catalyn. Default decree of condemnation, forfeiture, and destruction.** (F. & D. no. 30518. Sample nos. 36615-A, 36616-A.)

Examination of the drug preparation Catalyn disclosed that it contained no ingredient or combination of ingredients capable of producing certain curative and therapeutic effects claimed on the labels, and in a circular shipped with the article.

On May 29, 1933, the United States attorney for the Northern District of Illinois, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the district court a libel praying seizure and condemnation of 122 packages of Catalyn at Chicago, Ill., alleging that the article had been shipped in interstate commerce, on or about April 26, 1933, by the Vitamin Products Co., from Milwaukee, Wis., and charging misbranding in violation of the Food and Drugs Act as amended.

Analysis of a sample of the article by this Department showed that it consisted essentially of plant material including wheat bran, wheat starch, glandular material including epinephrine, and milk sugar.

It was alleged in the libel that the article was misbranded in that the following statements appearing in the labeling and accompanying circular, regarding the curative and therapeutic effects of the article, were false and fraudulent: (Package label): "Catalyn \* \* \* to most effectively restore normal metabolism where abnormality is present"; (wrapper label) "Nature's Source of Vitality Catalyn"; (circular) "'Catalyn' \* \* \* supplies the vital elements necessary for normal functioning of the human system. \* \* \* has the remarkable property of promoting vitality and aiding nature in restoring the organs to normal function. The action of 'Catalyn' in the human system is that of a catalyst (hence the name 'Catalyn'). A catalyst is an agent that promotes chemical action and as life itself is supported only by chemical action