

25375. Adulteration of apples. U. S. v. 51 Bushels of Apples. Consent decree of condemnation and destruction. (F. & D. no. 36582. Sample no. 47085-B.)

This case involved apples which were contaminated with arsenic and lead.

On October 3, 1935, the United States attorney for the Eastern District of Missouri, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the district court a libel praying seizure and condemnation of 51 bushels of apples at St. Louis, Mo., alleging that the article had been shipped in interstate commerce on or about October 1, 1935, by J. B. Russell, from Golden Eagle, Ill., and charging adulteration in violation of the Food and Drugs Act. The article was labeled in part: "J. B. Russell, Golden Eagle, Ill."

The article was alleged to be adulterated in that it contained added poisonous or deleterious ingredients, arsenic and lead, which might have rendered it harmful to health.

On October 11, 1935, the claimant having consented to the entry of a decree, judgment of condemnation was entered, and it was ordered that the product be destroyed.

R. G. TUGWELL, *Acting Secretary of Agriculture.*