

SPICES, FLAVORS, AND SEASONING MATERIALS

10489. Adulteration of dill seed and anise seed. U. S. v. A. Schilling & Co. Plea of nolo contendere. Fine, \$150. (F. D. C. No. 21510. Sample Nos. 46838-H, 47389-H, 58661-H.)

INFORMATION FILED: December 18, 1946, Northern District of California, against A. Schilling & Co., a corporation, San Francisco, Calif.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about March 12, 13, and 20, 1946, from the State of California into the States of Washington, Oregon, and New Mexico.

LABEL, IN PART: "Dill Seed Whole Spice," or "Anise Whole Seed."

NATURE OF CHARGE: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (3), the articles consisted in part of filthy substances by reason of the presence of rodent excreta pellets, rodent excreta pellet fragments, rodent hairs, insects, and insect fragments; and, Section 402 (a) (4), they had been prepared and packed under insanitary conditions whereby they may have become contaminated with filth.

DISPOSITION: February 8, 1947. A plea of nolo contendere having been entered on behalf of the defendant, the court imposed a fine of \$50 on each count, a total fine of \$150.

10490. Adulteration of chili powder. U. S. v. 5 Boxes * * *. (F. D. C. No. 21388. Sample No. 59928-H.)

LIBEL FILED: October 31, 1946, Western District of Pennsylvania.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about July 23, 1946, by the Baltimore Spice Co., from Baltimore, Md.

PRODUCT: 5 10-pound boxes of chili powder at Mayview, Pa.

LABEL, IN PART: "Ver-E-Good Brand Chili Powder."

NATURE OF CHARGE: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (3), the article consisted in whole or in part of a filthy substance by reason of the presence of rodent hair fragments; and, Section 402 (a) (4), it had been prepared under insanitary conditions whereby it may have become contaminated with filth.

DISPOSITION: December 2, 1946. No claimant having appeared, judgment of condemnation was entered and the product was ordered destroyed.

10491. Adulteration of mustard. U. S. v. 12 and 11 Cases * * *. (F. D. C. Nos. 21403, 22332. Sample Nos. 48654-H, 67367-H.)

LIBELS FILED: November 8 and December 27, 1946, District of Nebraska and District of Colorado.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about August 13 and October 5, 1946, by the Western Food Products Co., from Hutchinson, Kans.

PRODUCT: 12 cases, each containing 12 2-pound jars, of prepared mustard at North Platte, Nebr., and 11 cases, each containing 24 2-pound jars, of mustard at Denver, Colo.

LABEL, IN PART: "Our Family Prepared Mustard," or "Rich Nut Dusseldorf Mustard."

NATURE OF CHARGE: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (4), the articles had been prepared under insanitary conditions whereby they may have become contaminated with filth.

DISPOSITION: January 10 and 30, 1947. No claimant having appeared, judgments of condemnation were entered and the products were ordered destroyed.

10492. Adulteration and misbranding of black pepper. U. S. v. 284 Cards * * * (and 13 other seizure actions). (F. D. C. Nos. 21892, 21895 to 21904, incl., 21975, 21976, 22149. Sample Nos. 42722-H to 42730-H, incl., 42739-H, 42900-H, 42949-H, 42959-H, 90501-H.)

LIBELS FILED: November 29 and December 13, 1946, and January 2, 1947, District of Maryland.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: Between the approximate dates of October 15 and 30, 1946, by Albert B. Koblink, from Philadelphia, Pa.

PRODUCT: Black pepper. 2,245 cards at Baltimore, 57 cards at Hagerstown, and 144 cards at Frederick, Md. Each card contained 12 $\frac{3}{4}$ -ounce envelopes of the product.

LABEL, IN PART: "Pure Black Pepper * * * Packed for Anchor Distributing Co. Philadelphia, Pa.," or "Black Pepper."

NATURE OF CHARGE: Adulteration, Section 402 (b) (2), (portion) a mixture of buckwheat hulls, buckwheat middlings, salt, and flavor had been substituted in whole or in part for pure black pepper; and (remainder) a product containing foreign materials including starch and salt but little, if any, pepper had been substituted for black pepper.

Misbranding, Section 403 (a), the label statements "Pure Black Pepper" and "Black Pepper" were false and misleading.

DISPOSITION: January 7 and 15 and February 4, 1947. No claimant having appeared for any of the lots, judgments of condemnation were entered and the products were ordered destroyed.

10493. Adulteration and misbranding of black pepper. U. S. v. 367 Cards * * *.
(F. D. C. No. 21843. Sample No. 15499-H.)

LIBEL FILED: December 9, 1946, Western District of Michigan.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about September 3, 1946, by the Crack-A-Nut Co., from Chicago, Ill.

PRODUCT: 367 cards, each containing 12 ½-ounce packages, of black pepper at Grand Rapids, Mich.

LABEL, IN PART: "Tastegood Brand Extra Fancy Selected Pure Black Pepper."

NATURE OF CHARGE: Adulteration, Section 402 (b) (2), a substance consisting essentially of cottonseed hulls, soybean hulls, ground buckwheat, wheat flour, and black pepper had been substituted in whole or in part for pure black pepper.

Misbranding, Section 403 (a), the designation "Pure Black Pepper" was false and misleading.

DISPOSITION: February 10, 1947. No claimant having appeared, judgment of condemnation was entered and the product was ordered destroyed.

10494. Adulteration and misbranding of black pepper. U. S. v. 93 Cards * * *.
(F. D. C. No. 21890. Sample No. 42721-H.)

LIBEL FILED: November 29, 1946, District of Maryland.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about September 3, 1946, by the Cooper Supply Co., from Philadelphia, Pa.

PRODUCT: 93 cards, each containing 12 ¾-ounce bags, of black pepper at Baltimore, Md.

LABEL, IN PART: "Red Star Pure Black Pepper Packed by Red Star Packing Co."

NATURE OF CHARGE: Adulteration, Section 402 (b) (2), a mixture of buckwheat hulls, buckwheat middlings, salt, and flavor had been substituted in whole or in part for pure black pepper, which the article was represented to be.

Misbranding, Section 403 (a), the label designation "Pure Black Pepper" was false and misleading.

DISPOSITION: January 7, 1947. No claimant having appeared, judgment of condemnation was entered and the product was ordered destroyed.

10495. Adulteration and misbranding of black pepper. U. S. v. 3 Cartons * * *.
(F. D. C. No. 22120. Sample No. 90306-H.)

LIBEL FILED: December 23, 1946, District of Columbia.

PRODUCT: 3 cartons, each containing 24 cards of 12 ¾-ounce envelopes, of black pepper offered for sale by Carl's, Washington, D. C.

LABEL, IN PART: "Red Star Pure Black Pepper Packed by Red Star Packing Co., Phila. Pa."

NATURE OF CHARGE: Adulteration, Section 402 (b) (2), a substance consisting of ground black pepper and ground soybeans had been substituted in whole or in part for pure black pepper.

Misbranding, Section 403 (a), the label designation "Pure Black Pepper" was false and misleading.

DISPOSITION: February 20, 1947. No claimant having appeared, judgment of condemnation was entered and the product was ordered destroyed.