

BEVERAGES AND BEVERAGE MATERIALS*

20101. Adulteration of coffee. U. S. v. Blue Ribbon Coffee Corp. (Guaranty Coffee Co.), and Adam Cokinos. Pleas of guilty. Each defendant fined \$100. (F. D. C. No. 33849. Sample Nos. 24850-L, 26575-L, 26577-L to 26579-L, incl.)

INFORMATION FILED: December 3, 1952, Eastern District of Pennsylvania, against the Blue Ribbon Coffee Corp., trading as the Guaranty Coffee Co., Philadelphia, Pa., and Adam Cokinos, president.

ALLEGED VIOLATION: On or about June 27 and July 8, 1952, the defendants shipped, from the State of Pennsylvania into the State of New Jersey, a quantity of coffee which was adulterated.

Between the approximate dates of June 17 and July 7, 1952, the defendant corporation received a number of bags of coffee which had been shipped in interstate commerce. While this coffee was held for sale after shipment in interstate commerce, the defendants caused a quantity of a substance other than coffee to be mixed and packed with the food, which act caused the food to be adulterated.

LABEL, IN PART: "U. S. Royal The World's Finest Coffee."

NATURE OF CHARGE: Adulteration, Section 402 (b) (2), a substance other than coffee had been substituted for coffee.

DISPOSITION: March 13, 1953. The defendants having entered pleas of guilty, the court fined each defendant \$100.

20102. Misbranding of coffee. U. S. v. 64 Cartons * * *. F. D. C. No. 34005. Sample No. 457-L.)

LIBEL FILED: October 9, 1952, Southern District of West Virginia.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about July 29, 1952, by Producers Warehouse, from Chicago, Ill., for J. Aron & Co., New York, N. Y.

PRODUCT: 64 cartons, each containing 36 cans, of coffee at Beckley, W. Va.

LABEL, IN PART: "One Pound Net Weight Pure Ground Coffee Vacuum Packed."

NATURE OF CHARGE: Misbranding, Section 403 (e) (2), the product failed to bear a label containing an accurate statement of the quantity of the contents. (Examination showed that the product was short weight.)

DISPOSITION: December 22, 1952. J. Aron & Co., claimant, having consented to the entry of a decree, judgment of condemnation was entered and the court ordered that the product be released under bond to be repacked under the supervision of the Federal Security Agency.

20103. Adulteration of green coffee. U. S. v. 34 Bags * * *. (F. D. C. No. 34201. Sample No. 55251-L.)

LIBEL FILED: November 5, 1952, Western District of New York.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about October 2, 1952, from a foreign country.

PRODUCT: 34 170-pound bags of green coffee at Olean, N. Y.

NATURE OF CHARGE: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (3), the product consisted in whole or in part of a filthy substance by reason of the presence of insects, insect excreta, and insect-damaged beans.

*See also No. 20134.