

13362. Adulteration of bread and buns. U. S. v. Robert D. Houck and Virgil Alexander (Amarillo Baking Co.). Pleas of nolo contendere. Defendant Houck fined \$1,000; defendant Alexander fined \$150. (F. D. C. No. 24105. Sample Nos. 48100-H, 91805-H, 91810-H.)

INFORMATION FILED: April 2, 1948, Northern District of Texas, against Robert D. Houck and Virgil Alexander, trading as the Amarillo Baking Co., Amarillo, Tex.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about February 3, 10, and 12, 1947, from the State of Texas into the State of New Mexico.

LABEL, IN PART: "Houck's Bread [or "Holsum Buns"] Holsum Bakers."

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

DISPOSITION: May 4, 1948. Motions to dismiss and for continuance having been overruled by the court, the defendants entered pleas of nolo contendere. Defendant Houck was fined \$1,000 and defendant Alexander was fined \$150.

13363. Adulteration of coffee cake and pies. U. S. v. The Wassell Bakery, Inc. Plea of nolo contendere. Fine, \$500. (F. D. C. No. 24824. Sample Nos. 13220-K, 13223-K, 13225-K.)

INFORMATION FILED: July 19, 1948, Eastern District of Pennsylvania, against the Wassell Bakery, Inc., Philadelphia, Pa.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about April 16, 1948, from the State of Pennsylvania into the State of New Jersey.

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

DISPOSITION: August 23, 1948. A plea of nolo contendere having been entered, the defendant was fined \$500.

13364. Adulteration of pretzels. U. S. v. Hygrade Bakery Co. Plea of guilty. Fine, \$500. (F. D. C. No. 24794. Sample Nos. 16201-K, 16202-K, 20924-K, 28412-K, 28413-K.)

INFORMATION FILED: June 29, 1948, Eastern District of Pennsylvania, against the Hygrade Bakery Co., a corporation, Philadelphia, Pa.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about September 3 and 4, 1947, from the State of Pennsylvania into the States of Michigan, Nebraska, and Colorado.

LABEL, IN PART: "Crispa Pretzel Salty Thins [or "Stix"] * * * Blaney Bakeries, Inc., New York, N. Y.," or "Supreme Pretzels [or "Supreme Pretzel Stix"] Packed For United Biscuit Company of America Chicago, Ill."

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

DISPOSITION: August 23, 1948. A plea of guilty having been entered, the defendant was fined \$500.

13365. Adulteration of pretzels. U. S. v. 65 Cans * * *. (F. D. C. No. 22737. Sample No. 90608-H.)

LIBEL FILED: March 27, 1947, Eastern District of Virginia.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about February 13 and 21, 1947, by Becker Pretzel Bakeries, Inc., from Baltimore, Md.

PRODUCT: 65 cans each containing 200 pretzels at Norfolk, Va.

LABEL, IN PART: "Becker's Pet-so Pretzels."

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 insect

fragments and rodent hair fragments; and, Section 402 (a) (4), it had been prepared under insanitary conditions whereby it may have become contaminated with filth.

DISPOSITION: April 23, 1947. Default decree of condemnation and destruction.

CORN MEAL*

13366. Adulteration of corn meal. U. S. v. 42 Bags * * *. (F. D. C. No. 24976. Sample No. 22313-K.)

LIBEL FILED: June 25, 1948, Eastern District of Louisiana.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about February 11, 1948, from Ft. Worth, Tex.

PRODUCT: 42 100-pound bags of corn meal at New Orleans, La. Examination showed that the product contained live adult insects and larvae.

NATURE OF CHARGE: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (3), the article consisted in whole or in part of a filthy substance. (The article was adulterated while held for sale after shipment in interstate commerce.)

DISPOSITION: August 11, 1948. Default decree of condemnation and destruction.

13367. Adulteration of corn meal and Sperry Kreata (wheat product). U. S. v. 47 Sacks * * *. (and 1 other seizure action). (F. D. C. No. 25030. Sample Nos. 30956-K, 30957-K.)

LIBELS FILED: July 12, 1948, Southern District of California.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about March 18 and May 5, 1948, from Lincoln, Nebr., and Ogden, Utah.

PRODUCT: 47 25-pound sacks of corn meal and 140 sacks of Sperry Kreata, a wheat product, at Los Angeles, Calif., in possession of General Mills, Inc., Sperry Division.

NATURE OF CHARGE: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (3), the articles consisted in whole or in part of filthy substances by reason of the presence of rodent urine and rodent hairs; and, Section 402 (a) (4), they had been held under insanitary conditions whereby they may have become contaminated with filth. The articles were adulterated while held for sale after shipment in interstate commerce.

DISPOSITION: July 30 and August 16, 1948. General Mills, Inc., Sperry Division, of Minneapolis, Minn., having appeared as claimant for the wheat product and having consented to the entry of a decree, and no claimant having appeared for the corn meal, judgments of condemnation were entered. The wheat product was ordered released under bond for conversion into animal feed, under the supervision of the Federal Security Agency, and the corn meal was ordered destroyed.

13368. Adulteration of corn meal and flour. U. S. v. McAllister & Bell, Inc., and Rob R. McConnell. Pleas of guilty. Each defendant fined \$150. (F. D. C. No. 24786. Sample Nos. 2871-K to 2876-K, incl.)

INFORMATION FILED: June 22, 1948, Western District of Virginia, against McAllister & Bell, Inc., Covington, Va., and Rob R. McConnell, vice-president and manager.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about November 28 and December 4, 1947, from the State of Virginia into the State of West Virginia.

LABEL, IN PART: "Old Fashion White Bolted Buhr Corn Meal," or "Enriched Mountain Gem Patent Flour."

NATURE OF CHARGE: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (3), the products consisted in part of filthy substances by reason of the presence of insect larvae, larval head capsules, insect fragments, mites, rodent excreta pellet fragments, rodent hair fragments, and a feather fragment; and, Section 402 (a) (4), they had been prepared and packed under insanitary conditions whereby they may have become contaminated with filth.

DISPOSITION: July 6, 1948. Pleas of guilty having been entered, each defendant was fined \$150.

*See also Nos. 13369, 13370.