

BEVERAGES AND BEVERAGE MATERIALS*

19201. Adulteration of sweet wine. U. S. v. 302 Cases * * *. (F. D. C. No. 32970. Sample No. 37815-L.)

LIBEL FILED: March 26, 1952, Southern District of New York.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about December 22 and 24, 1951, by various distributors in the Kansas flood area.

PRODUCT: 302 cases, each originally containing 12 bottles, of various types of sweet wine at Yonkers, N. Y. These were returned shipments, and many cases contained broken bottles.

Examination disclosed that the bottles were contaminated with caked mud, indicating they had been in a flood. There was mud on the bottles around the screw cap, and they were not corked. It would be impossible to remove the contents of the bottles without causing contamination of the product.

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

DISPOSITION: May 26, 1952. Default decree of condemnation and destruction.

19202. Adulteration of green coffee beans. U. S. v. 60 Bags * * *. (F. D. C. No. 32911. Sample No. 34164-L.)

LIBEL FILED: On or about April 4, 1952, Western District of Missouri.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about November 6, 1951, from New Orleans, La.

PRODUCT: 60 bags, each containing 130 pounds, of green coffee beans at Springfield, Mo.

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 insects, insect fragments, and insect-damaged coffee beans. The article was adulterated while held for sale after shipment in interstate commerce.

DISPOSITION: June 3, 1952. W. D. Roussel & Co., Inc., New Orleans, La., 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 for the purpose of cleaning and removing the unfit beans, under the supervision of the Federal Security Agency. The reconditioning operations resulted in the destruction of the entire lot of the product as unfit for human consumption.

19203. Adulteration of coffee sweepings. U. S. v. 500 Pounds * * *. (F. D. C. No. 33334. Sample No. 49744-L.)

LIBEL FILED: July 9, 1952, Southern District of New York.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: At various times prior to July 9, 1952, from foreign countries.

PRODUCT: 500 pounds of coffee sweepings at New York, N. Y.

NATURE OF CHARGE: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (3), the product consisted in whole or in part of a filthy substance, and it was otherwise unfit for food by reason of the presence of dirty and crushed coffee beans, rodent excreta, manure, and dirt.

DISPOSITION: August 21, 1952. Default decree of condemnation and destruction.

*See also No. 19242.