

## VIOLATIVE SALES OF PRESCRIPTION DRUGS

4681. (F. D. C. No. 36649. S. Nos. 703 L, 56-698 L, 78-829 L.)

INDICTMENT RETURNED: 8-10-55, S. Dist. Ind., against Miller Drugs, Inc., Terre Haute, Ind., Fred F. Miller (president), and Thurman H. Miller (secretary-treasurer of the corporation).

CHARGE: Between 2-13-53 and 3-1-54, *tablets containing a mixture of sulfacetamide, sulfadiazine, and sulfamerazine* were dispensed twice and *dextro-amphetamine sulfate tablets* were dispensed once upon requests for prescription refills without authorization by the prescriber.

PLEA: Guilty—by corporation to all 3 counts of information; by Fred F. Miller to 2 counts; and by Thurman H. Miller to 1 count.

DISPOSITION: 9-9-55. Fine of \$150 against corporation, \$200 against Fred F. Miller, and \$100 against Thurman H. Miller, plus costs.

4682. (F. D. C. No. 37216. S. Nos. 40-233 L, 40-235 L.)

INFORMATION FILED: 2-10-55, Dist. Ariz., against William B. Betty, t/a Buckeye Pharmacy, Buckeye, Ariz.

CHARGE: Between 2-12-54 and 2-19-54, *tablets containing a mixture of sulfadiazine, sulfathiazole, and sulfamerazine* were dispensed twice upon requests for prescription refills without authorization by the prescriber.

PLEA: Guilty.

DISPOSITION: 3-21-55. Fine of \$500 and probation for 1 year.

4683. (F. D. C. No. 37218. S. Nos. 85-748/9 L.)

INFORMATION FILED: 3-14-55, Dist. Wyo., against Hospital Pharmacy (a partnership), Sheridan, Wyo.

CHARGE: Between 3-30-54 and 4-7-54, *pentobarbital sodium suppositories* were dispensed once upon request for a prescription refill without authorization by the prescriber, and *dextro-amphetamine sulfate tablets* were dispensed once without a prescription.

PLEA: Guilty.

DISPOSITION: 3-21-55. \$50 fine.

4684. (F. D. C. No. 36613. S. Nos. 46-166 L, 46-168 L.)

INFORMATION FILED: 9-23-55, Dist. R. I., against Harry Greenspan, t/a Greenspan Drug Co., Providence, R. I.

CHARGE: On 3-3-54, *Benzedrine Sulfate tablets* were dispensed once upon a request for a prescription refill without authorization by the prescriber, and *Premarin tablets* were dispensed once without a prescription.

PLEA: Guilty.

DISPOSITION: 10-19-55. \$400 fine.

4685. (F. D. C. No. 37166. S. Nos. 89-865 L, 89-887 L, 89-955/6 L.)

INFORMATION FILED: 5-13-55, Dist. Mass., against Central Pharmacy of Revere, Inc., Revere, Mass., and Samuel Silverman (president).

CHARGE: Between 4-7-54 and 4-20-54, *Premarin tablets* were dispensed once without a prescription, and *Benzedrine Sulfate tablets*, *pentobarbital sodium capsules*, and *Dexedrine Sulfate tablets* were each dispensed once upon requests for prescription refills without authorization by the prescriber.

PLEA: Guilty.

DISPOSITION: 8-2-55. Fine of \$250 against each defendant; individual also given a 6-month suspended jail sentence and placed on probation for 1 year.

4686. (F. D. C. No. 37174. S. Nos. 89-858 L, 89-863 L, 89-889/90 L, 89-921 L.)

INFORMATION FILED: 5-13-55, Dist. Mass., against Michaelson Drug Co., Inc., Revere, Mass., Louis Epstein (vice president and treasurer of the corporation), and Abraham Kazerman (a pharmacist).

CHARGE: Between 4-6-54 and 4-14-54, *Premarin tablets* (count 3) and *capsules containing a mixture of apiol, ergot, aloin, and oil pennyroyal* (count 5) were each dispensed once without a prescription, and *pentobarbital sodium capsules* (counts 1 and 4) were dispensed twice and *amphetamine sulfate tablets* (count 2) were dispensed once upon requests for prescription refills without authorization by the prescriber.

PLEA: Guilty—by corporation and Epstein to all 5 counts of information and by Kazerman to counts 4 and 5.

DISPOSITION: 8-2-55. Corporation and Epstein each fined \$250; Kazerman fined \$100. Individuals also given 6-month suspended jail sentence and placed on probation for 1 year.

4687. (F. D. C. No. 37189. S. Nos. 89-815 L, 89-861 L, 89-874 L, 89-886 L, 89-903 L, 89-958 L.)

INFORMATION FILED: 5-13-55, Dist. Mass., against Costanza Pharmacy (a partnership), Revere, Mass., and Charles A. Costanza and Louis Costanza (partners in the partnership).

CHARGE: Between 3-24-54 and 4-20-54, *Premarin tablets* were dispensed once without a prescription, and *Benzedrine Sulfate tablets* were dispensed 3 times and *pentobarbital sodium capsules* and *penicillin tablets* were each dispensed once upon requests for prescription refills without authorization by the prescriber.

PLEA: Guilty—by partnership to all 6 counts of information; by Charles A. Costanza to 3 counts; and by Louis Costanza to 3 counts.

DISPOSITION: 10-5-55. Partnership fined \$100; each individual fined \$250.

4688. (F. D. C. No. 37194. S. Nos. 89-817 L, 89-862 L, 89-909 L, 89-962 L.)

INFORMATION FILED: 5-13-55, Dist. Mass. against Philip Berk, t/a Berk Pharmacy, Revere, Mass.

CHARGE: Between 4-12-54 and 4-20-54, *Premarin tablets* were dispensed once without a prescription, and *pentobarbital sodium capsules*, *amphetamine sulfate tablets*, and *penicillin tablets* were each dispensed once upon requests for prescription refills without authorization by the prescriber.

PLEA: Guilty.

DISPOSITION: 10-17-55. \$100 fine.

4689. (F. D. C. No. 37177. S. Nos. 89-816 L, 89-856 L, 89-919/20 L, 89-959/60 L.)

INFORMATION FILED: 5-13-55, Dist. Mass., against George V. Palladino, t/a City Hall Pharmacy, Revere, Mass., and Ralph Milano (a pharmacist).

CHARGE: Between 4-6-54 and 4-20-54, *Ergotrate Maleate tablets*, *pentobarbital sodium capsules*, and *Premarin tablets* were each dispensed once without a prescription, and *penicillin tablets*, *pentobarbital sodium capsules*, and