

**4284. Adulteration of canned pork and beans. U. S. \* \* \* v. 31 Cases  
 \* \* \* of \* \* \* Pork and Beans. Default decree of condemna-  
 tion, forfeiture, and destruction. (F. & D. No. 6707. I. S. No. 16243-k.  
 S. No. C-271.)**

On July 8, 1915, the United States attorney for the Southern District of Ohio, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district a libel for the seizure and condemnation of 31 cases, each containing 24 cans of pork and beans, remaining unsold in the original unbroken packages at Cincinnati, Ohio, alleging that the product had been shipped and transported from the State of Indiana into the State of Ohio, and charging adulteration in violation of the Food and Drugs Act. The cans were labeled: "Rider's Class A Brand Beans with Pork and Tomato Sauce. \* \* \* All Our Goods Are High Class Quality \* \* \* Rider's Class A Brand Beans With Pork And Tomato Sauce Packed By The Rider Packing Co. Inc. Crothersville, Ind." The labels on some of the cans bore the statement: "Contents 1 Pound 14 Ounces." The labels on other cans bore the statement: "Contents 2 Pounds 0 Ounces." Some of the cases were stenciled: "Rider's 'Class A' Especially Selected Quality Beans With Pork & Tomato Sauce. Packed By The Rider Packing Co. Crothersville, Ind."

Adulteration of the article was alleged in the libel for the reason that it contained, and in part consisted of, a decomposed vegetable substance.

On September 13, 1915, no claimant having appeared for the property, judgment of condemnation and forfeiture was entered, and it was ordered by the court that the product should be destroyed by the United States marshal.

CARL VROOMAN, *Acting Secretary of Agriculture.*