

5421. Adulteration of pork and beans. U. S. * * * v. 650 Cases * * * of Pork and Beans. Default decree of condemnation, forfeiture, and destruction. (F. & D. No. 7975. I. S. No. 10588-m. S. No. C-629.)

On January 17, 1917, the United States attorney for the Northern District of Iowa, 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 650 cases of pork and beans, remaining unsold in the original unbroken packages at Cedar Rapids, Iowa, alleging that the article had been shipped on or about November 15, 1916, by the Union Packing Co., Omaha, Nebr., and transported from the State of Nebraska into the State of Iowa, and charging adulteration in violation of the Food and Drugs Act. The article was labeled in part: "Wise Choice Brand Pork and Beans * * *."

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

On April 5, 1917, 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.*