

the District Court of the United States for said district an information against James W. Wheeler, trading as Wheeler & Barnes, Biloxi Miss., alleging shipment by said defendant, in violation of the Food and Drugs Act, as amended, in two consignments, namely, on or about May 31 and June 6, 1922, respectively, from the State of Mississippi into the State of Texas, of quantities of crab meat in unlabeled cans which was misbranded.

Misbranding of the article was alleged in the information for the reason that it was food in package form, and the quantity of the contents was not plainly and conspicuously marked on the outside of the package.

On June 11, 1923, the defendant entered a plea of guilty to the information, and the court imposed a fine of \$15.

HOWARD M. GORE, *Acting Secretary of Agriculture.*

11716. Misbranding of crab meat. U. S. v. William Cruso (William Cruso & Co.). Plea of guilty. Fine, \$15. (F. & D. No. 16952. I. S. No. 18257-t.)

On February 28, 1923, the United States attorney for the Southern District of Mississippi, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district an information against William Cruso, trading as William Cruso & Co., Biloxi, Miss., alleging shipment by said defendant, in violation of the Food and Drugs Act, as amended, on or about June 6, 1922, from the State of Mississippi into the State of Texas, of a quantity of crab meat in unlabeled cans which was misbranded.

Misbranding of the article was alleged in the information for the reason that it was food in package form, and the quantity of the contents was not plainly and conspicuously marked on the outside of the package.

During the February, 1923, term of the said district court, the defendant entered a plea of guilty to the information, and the court imposed a fine of \$15.

HOWARD M. GORE, *Acting Secretary of Agriculture.*

11717. Adulteration and misbranding of canned oysters. U. S. v. 90 Cases of Oysters. Decree of condemnation and forfeiture. Product released under bond. (F. & D. No. 17349. I. S. No. 7989-v. S. No. W-1349.)

On March 12, 1923, the United States attorney for the Southern District of California, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district a libel praying the seizure and condemnation of 90 cases of oysters, remaining in the original unbroken packages at Los Angeles, Calif., consigned by J. Langrall & Bro., Inc., Baltimore, Md., alleging that the article had been shipped from Baltimore, Md., on or about January 16, 1923, and transported from the State of Maryland into the State of California, and charging adulteration and misbranding in violation of the Food and Drugs Act. The article was labeled in part: (Can) "Maryland Chief Brand Baltimore * * * Cove Oysters Contents 5 Ounces Packed by J. Langrall & Bro. Inc. Baltimore, Md."

Adulteration of the article was alleged in the libel for the reason that excessive brine had been mixed and packed with and substituted wholly or in part for the said article.

Misbranding was alleged for the reason that the statement, "Oysters," was false and misleading and deceived and misled the purchaser.

On March 23, 1923, J. Langrall & Bro., Inc., Baltimore Md., having appeared as claimant for the property, judgment of condemnation and forfeiture was entered, and it was ordered by the court that the product be released to the said claimant upon payment of the costs of the proceedings and the execution of a bond in the sum of \$1,000, in conformity with section 10 of the act, conditioned in part that it be relabeled in compliance with the provisions of the said act.

HOWARD M. GORE, *Acting Secretary of Agriculture.*

11718. Misbranding of assorted jellies and assorted preserves. U. S. v. 200 Cases of Assorted Jellies, et al. Consent decrees of condemnation and forfeiture. Products released under bond. (F. & D. Nos. 17336, 17401, 17402, 17403, 17441. I. S. Nos. 8175-v to 8182-v, incl., 8703-v to 8712-v, incl., 8724-v to 8731-v, incl. S. Nos. W-1335, W-1356, W-1357, W-1358, W-1362, W-1363.)

On or about March 19 and 29 and April 6 and 7, 1923, respectively, the United States attorney for the District of Colorado, acting upon reports by the Sec-