On November 24, 1926, no claimant having appeared for the property, judgment of the court was entered, ordering that the product be destroyed by the United States marshal.

W. M. JARDINE, Secretary of Agriculture.

14866. Adulteration of butter. U. S. v. 4 Boxes of Butter. Product reworked and ordered released. (F. & D. No. 21290. I. S. No. 11031-x. S. No. W-2002.)

On or about August 10, 1926, 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 seizure and condemnation of 4 boxes of butter, remaining in the original unbroken packages at Los Angeles, Calif., alleging that the article had been shipped by the Farmers Union Cooperative Creamery, Billings, Mont., about July 15, 1926, and transported from the State of Montana into the State of California, and charging adulteration in violation of the food and drugs act. The article was labeled in part: "Sweet Grass Cry. Big Timber, Mont."

Adulteration of the article was alleged in the libel for the reason that a product deficient in milk fat had been substituted wholly or in part for butter, and in that a valuable constituent, namely, milk fat, had been partially abstracted from the said article.

On November 17, 1926, the Sweet Grass County Creamery and J. H. Trower, Big Timber, Mont., having appeared as claimants for the property, and the court having found that the product had been reworked and made to comply with the requirements of the law, a decree was entered, ordering that it be released to the said claimants upon payment of the costs of the proceedings, and that the bond theretofore filed be exonerated.

W. M. JARDINE, Secretary of Agriculture.

14867. Adulteration of canned succotash. U. S. v. 144 Cases and 15 Cases of Succotash. Consent decree of condemnation and forfeiture. Product released under bond. (F. & D. No. 20896. I. S. Nos. 5469-x, 5470-x. S. No. E-5650.)

On February 25, 1926, the United States attorney for the District of Massachusetts, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district a libel praying seizure and condemnation of 159 cases of canned succotash, remaining in the original unbroken packages at North Adams, Mass., consigned about November 22, 1924, alleging that the article had been shipped by the Knoxboro Canning Co., Oriskany Falls, N. Y., and transported from the State of New York into the State of Massachusetts, and charging adulteration in violation of the food and drugs act.

It was alleged in the libel that the article was adulterated, in that a substance, saccharin, had been mixed and packed therewith so as to reduce, lower, and injuriously affect its quality and strength, for the further reason that a substance, saccharin, had been substituted in part for the said article, for the further reason that saccharin had been mixed with the article in a manner whereby damage and inferiority was concealed, and for the further reason that the article contained an added poisonous or other added deleterious ingredient, saccharin, which might have rendered it injurious to health.

On December 20, 1926, the New Hartford Canning Co. (Ltd.), New Hartford, N. Y., having appeared as claimant for the property and having consented to the entry of a decree, 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 \$600, conditioned in part that it not be transported in interstate commerce except for the purpose of being returned to the claimant, and not be sold or otherwise disposed of contrary to the Federal food and drugs act, or the laws of any State, Territory, District, or insular possession of the United States which prohibit the use of saccharin in like products for human consumption.

W. M. JARDINE, Secretary of Agriculture.

14868. Adulteration and misbranding of dairy feed. U. S. v. Joseph William Bell (J. W. Bell Mill & Elevator). Plea of nolo contendere. Fine, \$100. (F. & D. No. 21554. I. S. Nos. 7485-x, 7539-x.)

On October 25, 1926, the United States attorney for the Western District of South Carolina, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district an information against