

29356. Adulteration and misbranding of macaroni products. U. S. v. 37½ Cases, et al., of Macaroni (and 1 similar seizure action). Default decree of condemnation. Product delivered to welfare organizations. (F. & D. Nos. 42942, 42943. Sample Nos. 13561-D, 13562-D, 24833-D, 24834-D, 29037-D, 29038-D, 29039-D, 29042-D, 29043-D, 29044-D.)

These products were made of wheat flour but were artificially colored to simulate the appearance of semolina products. Portions were also short weight.

On June 20, 1938, the United States attorney for the Northern District of Georgia, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the district court two libels praying seizure and condemnation of 176 cases of macaroni products at Atlanta, Ga.; alleging that the articles had been shipped in interstate commerce on or about April 7, 13, and 22 and May 16, 1938, from Tampa, Fla., by Ferlita Macaroni Co., Inc.; and charging adulteration and misbranding in violation of the Food and Drugs Act. The articles were labeled in part: "Tampa-Maid Brand Macaroni [or "Spaghetti" or "Pasta Di Semola"] * * * Ferlita Macaroni Co., Inc. Tampa, Florida."

They were alleged to be adulterated in that they had been mixed and colored in a manner whereby inferiority was concealed.

Misbranding was alleged with respect to certain lots in that the statement "6 Ozs. Net When Packed," appearing on the labels, was false and misleading and tended to deceive and mislead the purchaser when applied to an article that was short weight; and in that they were food in package form and the quantity of the contents was not plainly and conspicuously marked on the outside of the package since the quantity stated was not correct. The remaining lots were alleged to be misbranded in that the Italian phrase "Pasta Di Semola Superiore Qualita" was misleading since it might imply to the purchaser that the article was made of semolina.

On August 1, 1938, no claimant having appeared, judgments of condemnation were entered and the products were ordered delivered to welfare organizations.

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29357. Misbranding of Lem-E-Zee Mix. U. S. v. 27 Cases of Lem-E-Zee Mix. Consent decree of condemnation. Product released under bond for relabeling. (F. & D. No. 43040. Sample No. 27534-D.)

This product was labeled to indicate that it was lemon juice, but consisted of an artificially colored liquid flavored with lemon oil and containing citric acid and only approximately 10 percent of lemon juice.

On July 15, 1938, the United States attorney for the District of Wyoming, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the district court a libel praying seizure and condemnation of 27 cases of Lem-E-Zee Mix at Casper, Wyo.; alleging that the article had been shipped in interstate commerce on or about May 14, 1938, from Marshalltown, Iowa, by Marshall Food Products Co.; and charging misbranding in violation of the Food and Drugs Act. The article was labeled in part: "Lem-E-Zee Mix * * * Distributed By Marshall Food Prod. Co. Marshalltown, Ia."

It was alleged to be misbranded in that the statements, "Use wherever lemon juice is required" and "contains pure lemon juice," were false and misleading and tended to deceive and mislead the purchaser when applied to an article that was imitation lemon; and in that it was an imitation of and was offered for sale under the distinctive name of another article, lemon juice.

On August 1, 1938, Western Grocer Co., Marshalltown, Iowa, trading as Marshall Food Products Company, claimant, having consented to the entry of a decree, judgment of condemnation was entered and the product was ordered released under bond conditioned that it be relabeled.

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29358. Adulteration and misbranding of Solvent PFW 1. U. S. v. 6½ Bottles of Solvent PFW 1. Default decree of condemnation and destruction. (F. & D. No. 41278. Sample No. 52167-C.)

This product was commercial carbitol, a glycol or a glycol ether, or both, poisons.

On December 28, 1937, the United States attorney for the Southern District of California, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the district court a libel praying seizure and condemnation of 6½ bottles of Solvent PFW 1 at Los Angeles, Calif.; alleging that the article had been shipped in interstate commerce on or about June 22, 1937, from New York, N. Y., by Polak's Frutal Works, Inc.; and charging adulteration and misbranding in