Product: 27 100-pound bags of flour at Emeryville (Oakland), Calif., in the possession of the Maryland Pacific Cone Co. This product had been stored under insanitary conditions after shipment. The bags were rodent-gnawed, and rodent pellets and urine stains were observed on them. Examination showed that the product contained rodent hairs, excreta, and urine.

VIOLATIONS CHARGED: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (3), the product consisted in whole or in part of a filthy substance; and, Section 402 (a) (4), it had been held under insanitary conditions whereby it might have become contaminated with filth.

Disposition: February 28, 1945. No claimant having appeared, judgment of condemnation was entered and the product was ordered destroyed.

8316. Adulteration of flour. U. S. v. 210 Bags of Flour. Default decree of condemnation and destruction. (F. D. C. No. 15083. Sample No. 409-H.)

LIBEL FILED: On or about January 25, 1945, Southern District of Georgia.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about July 13, 1944, from Whitewater, Kans.

PRODUCT: 210 25-pound bags of flour at Augusta, Ga., in possession of McElmurray and Co. The product was stored under insanitary conditions after shipment. The bags were rodent-grawed, and rodent pellets and urine stains were observed on them. Examination showed that the article contained rodent urine.

VIOLATIONS CHARGED: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (3), the product consisted in whole or in part of a filthy substance; and, Section 402 (a) (4), it had been held under insanitary conditions whereby it might have become contaminated with filth.

DISPOSITION: February 28, 1945. No claimant having appeared, judgment of condemnation was entered and the product was ordered destroyed.

8317. Adulteration of cracker flour. U. S. v. 82 Bags of Cracker Flour. Default decree of condemnation and destruction. (F. D. C. No. 14899. Sample No. 85407-F.)

LIBEL FILED: January 3, 1945, District of Maryland.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about December 6, 1944, by B. C. Friedman and Sons, Inc., from Philadelphia, Pa.

PRODUCT: 82 75-pound bags of cracker flour, at Cambridge, Md.

VIOLATIONS CHARGED: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (3), the product consisted in whole or in part of a filthy substance by reason of the presence of rodent hair fragments and insect fragments; and, Section 402 (a) (4), it had been prepared under insanitary conditions whereby it might have become contaminated with filth.

DISPOSITION: April 21, 1945. No claimant having appeared, judgment of condemnation was entered and the product was ordered destroyed.

8318. Adulteration of pancake flour, pastry flour, self-rising flour, plain flour, and spaghetti. U. S. v. 70 Cases of Pancake Flour, etc. Default decree of condemnation and destruction. (F. D. C. Nos. 14792 to 14795, incl. Sample Nos. 96885-F to 96890-F, incl.)

LIBEL FILED: On or about December 28, 1944, Southern District of Mississippi.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: Between the approximate dates of October 23, 1943, and May 26, 1944, from Memphis, Tenn., St. Joseph, Mo., Enid, Okla., Mascoutah, Ill., and Omaha, Nebr.

PRODUCT: 70 cases, each containing 24 1½-pound packages of pancake flour; 26 100-pound bags of pastry flour; 110 100-pound bags of plain flour or pastry flour; 78 25-pound bags of self-rising flour; 120 25-pound bags of plain flour; approximately 10 tons gross of various types of flour in 10 to 100 pound bags; and 30 cases, each containing 48 packages, of spaghetti, at Vicksburg, Miss., in the possession of the Vicksburg Candy Co. These products were stored after shipment, under insanitary conditions in that the establishment was heavily infested with rodents and insects. Examination showed that the products contained beetles, larvae, weevils, cast skins, insect fragments, and excreta.

VIOLATIONS CHARGED: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (3), the products consisted in whole or in part of filthy substances; and, Section 402 (a) (4), they had been held under insanitary conditions whereby they might have become contaminated with filth.