

DISPOSITION: March 13, 1945. The Pond Bros. Peanut Co., Inc., claimant, having admitted the allegations of the libel, judgment of condemnation was entered and the product was ordered released under bond, conditioned that it be brought into compliance with the law, under the supervision of the Food and Drug Administration.

8777. Adulteration of pecan meats. U. S. v. 82 Boxes of Pecan Meats. Default decree of condemnation and destruction. (F. D. C. No. 15378. Sample No. 17409-H.)

LIBEL FILED: February 21, 1945, Northern District of Illinois.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about May 2, 1944, by the Havana Canning Co., from Havana, Fla.

PRODUCT: 82 27-pound boxes of pecan meats at Chicago, Ill.

NATURE OF CHARGE: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (3), the product consisted in whole or in part of a filthy and decomposed substance by reason of the presence of insect webbing, insect excreta, and moldy and decomposed nut meats; and it was otherwise unfit for food by reason of the presence of black-spotted pecan kernels.

DISPOSITION: June 4, 1945. No claimant having appeared, judgment of condemnation was entered and the product was ordered destroyed.

8778. Adulteration of shelled pecans. U. S. v. 17 Cartons of Shelled Pecans. Consent decree of condemnation. Product ordered released under bond. (F. D. C. No. 15341. Sample No. 2829-H.)

LIBEL FILED: March 1, 1945, District of Columbia.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about June 27, 1944, from Orangeburg, S. C.

PRODUCT: 17 55-pound cartons of shelled pecans at Washington, D. C., in the possession of the Terminal Refrigerating and Warehousing Corporation, 11th Street Plant. The product had been stored under insanitary conditions after shipment. Some of the cartons had been gnawed by rodents, and rodent excreta pellets were observed inside the cartons. Examination showed that the product contained rodent excreta pellets.

NATURE OF CHARGE: 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: March 29, 1945. Edward M. Swing (Polly Trent Candy Co.), Washington, D. C., claimant, having consented to the entry of a decree, judgment of condemnation was entered and the product was ordered released under bond for segregation of the fit portion from the unfit portion, under the supervision of the Food and Drug Administration. The unfit portion was to be delivered to the National Zoological Park, for use as animal feed.

8779. Adulteration of shelled pecans. U. S. v. 50 Cartons of Shelled Pecans. Consent decree of condemnation. Product ordered released under bond. (F. D. C. No. 15423. Sample No. 18832-H.)

LIBEL FILED: February 24, 1945, District of Minnesota.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about January 23, 1945, by the Gulf States Pecan Co., from Waycross, Ga.

PRODUCT: 50 30-pound cartons of shelled pecans at Minneapolis, Minn.

LABEL, IN PART: "Gulf Brand * * * Selected Medium Pecan Halves."

NATURE OF CHARGE: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (3), the product consisted in whole or in part of a filthy substance by reason of the presence of *Escherichia coli*.

DISPOSITION: March 21, 1945. The Gulf States Pecan Co., claimant, having consented to the entry of a decree, judgment of condemnation was entered and the product was ordered released under bond to be brought into compliance with the law, under the supervision of the Food and Drug Administration. The product was reprocessed by washing and heating.