9618. Adulteration of saltine crackers. U. S. v. 276 Cases of Saltine Crackers.

Default decree of condemnation and destruction. (F. D. C. No. 16936.

Sample No. 18773-H.)

LIBEL FILED: July 30, 1945, District of Minnesota.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about June 26 and July 3, 1945, by the Schulze and Burch Biscuit Co., from Chicago, Ill.

PRODUCT: 276 cases, each containing 6 packages, of saltine crackers at Mankato,

LABEL, IN PART: "Schulze and Burch Saltine Crackers (Paradise)."

NATURE OF CHARGE: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (3), the article consisted in whole or in part of a filthy substance by reason of the presence of rodent hair fragments, insects, and insect fragments.

Disposition: September 11, 1945. No claimant having appeared, judgment of condemnation was entered and the product was ordered destroyed unless reprocessed for animal feed, under the supervision of the Food and Drug Administration. The product was accordingly disposed of by the United States marshal for use as hog feed.

## CORN MEAL

9619. Adulteration of corn meal.
Corn Meal (and 2 other decrees of condemnation.
Nos. 16971, 17763, 18347.

U. S. v. 850 Bags, 350 Bags, and 850 Bags of seizure actions against corn meal). Consent Product ordered released under bond. (F. D. C. Sample Nos. 22783–H, 23778–H, 52510–H.)

LIBELS FILED: August 2, October 8, and November 5, 1945, Eastern District of Texas and Western and Eastern Districts of Kentucky.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: Between the approximate dates of June 16 and October 6, 1945, by the Staley Milling Co., Kansas City and North Kansas City, Mo.

PRODUCT: Corn meal. 850 25-pound bags, 350 10-pound bags, and 850 5-pound bags at Tyler, Tex.; 175 100-pound bags at Paducah, Ky.; and 2,000 10-pound bags and 1,600 25-pound bags at Ashland, Ky.

LABEL, IN PART: "Staley's 4 Bells [or "Old Fashion White"] Cream Corn Meal."

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 rodent excreta, rodent excreta fragments, rodent hair fragments, beetles, and larvae.

DISPOSITION: August 29, November 19, and December 13, 1945. Howard Dodd Co., Tyler, Tex., claimant for the Tyler lot, Edwin C. Hawkins, Paducah, Ky., claimant for the Paducah lot, and the Staley Milling Co., claimant for the Ashland lot, having consented to the entry of the respective decrees, judgments of condemnation were entered and the product was ordered released under bond to be converted into animal feed, under the supervision of the Food and Drug Administration.

9620. Adulteration of corn meal. U. S. v. 2,135 Bags of Corn Meal. Consent decree of condemnation. Product ordered released under bond. (F. D. C. No. 16747. Sample Nos. 23005–H, 23006–H, 23008–H.)

LIBEL FILED: June 30, 1945, Western District of Tennessee.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about April 2 and 25, 1945, from Crete and Omaha, Nebr.

PRODUCT: 84 50-pound bags and 2,051 25-pound bags of corn meal at Memphis, Tenn., in the possession of W. B. Mallory and Sons Co. The product was stored under insanitary conditions after shipment. Some of the bags were rodent-gnawed, and rodent excreta and urine stains were observed on them. Examination showed that the article contained rodent excreta, rodent hair fragments, beetles, and larvae.

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 may have become contaminated with filth.

DISPOSITION: July 6, 1945. W. B. Mallory and Sons Co., claimant, having consented to the entry of a decree, judgment of condemnation was entered and the product was ordered released under bond for segregation and conversion of the unfit portion into stock feed, under the supervision of the Food and Drug Administration.