Disposition: December 10, 1945. The Becker-Mayer Seed Co., Inc., filed an answer admitting the allegations of the libel, but averring that 36 bags of the product were good and that 14 bags which were damaged could be made to comply with the law, and praying for the release of the product under bond for the purpose of reconditioning the 14 bags. Judgment of condemnation was entered, and the court ordered that the product be released on condition that it be examined and disposed of as prayed by the claimant, should the Food and Drug Administration determine such action to be proper.

10684. Adulteration of dried peppers. U. S. v. 540 Bags and 100 Bags of Dried Red Peppers and 278 Bags of Dried Chili Peppers. (F. D. C. Nos. 18385, 18993, 19168. Sample Nos. 3658-H, 4896-H, 43245-H.)

LIBELS FILED: On or about November 13, 1945, and January 24 and February 5, 1946, District of Maryland and District of New Jersey.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: Between the approximate dates of September 10 and December 12, 1945, by the Carolina Pepper Association, Florence, S. C.

PRODUCT: 540 100-pound bags of dried red peppers and 278 bags, of various weights, of dried chili peppers at Baltimore, Md., and 100 100-pound bags of dried red peppers at Camden, N. J.

NATURE OF CHARGE: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (3), the products consisted in whole or in part of decomposed substances by reason of the presence of moldy peppers.

DISPOSITION: April 12 and 30, 1946. McCormick and Co., Inc., claimant for the Baltimore lots, and the Carolina Pepper Association, claimant for the Camden lot, having admitted the allegations of the respective libels, judgments of condemnation were entered. The products were ordered released under bond, conditioned that the peppers in the Baltimore seizures be cleaned to eliminate all unfit material, that the fit peppers in the Camden seizures be separated from the unfit, and that the latter be destroyed, under the supervision of the Food and Drug Administration.

10685. Adulteration of chili peppers. U. S. v. 89 Bags * * *. (F. D. C. No. 18379. Sample No. 7986-H.)

LIBEL FILED: November 9, 1945, Eastern District of New York.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about October 2, 1945, by the Carolina Pepper Association, from Florence, S. C.

Product: 89 110-pound bags of chili peppers at Brooklyn, N. Y.

NATURE OF CHARGE: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (3), the article consisted in whole or in part of a decomposed substance by reason of the presence of moldy peppers.

Disposition: March 14, 1946. The Carolina Pepper Association, claimant, having admitted the allegations of the libel, judgment of condemnation was entered and the product was ordered released under bond for the separation of the fit from the unfit portion and the destruction of the latter, under the supervision of the Food and Drug Administration.

10686. Adulteration of red peppers. U. S. v. 155 Bags * * * *. (F. D. C. No. 18033. Sample No. 35202-H.)

LIBEL FILED: October 23, 1945, Eastern District of Missouri.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about September 14, 1945, by H. D. White, from Timmonsville, S. C.

PRODUCT: 155 bags, each containing approximately 100 pounds, of red peppers at St. Louis, Mo.

NATURE OF CHARGE: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (3), the product consisted in whole or in part of a decomposed substance by reason of the presence of moldy peppers.

DISPOSITION: November 26, 1945. The David G. Evans Coffee Co., St. Louis, Mo., claimant, having admitted the allegations of the libel, 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.