10713. Adulteration of fig bars. U. S. v. Venus Foods. Plea of nolo contendere. Fine, \$500. (F. D. C. No. 19033. Sample Nos. 31146-H, 32446-H.)

INFORMATION FILED: April 18, 1946, Southern District of California, against Venus Foods, a partnership, Los Angeles, Calif.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about July 2 and 17, 1945, from the State of California into the States of Arizona and Texas.

Label, in Part: "Figarden Brand * * * Fig Bars," or "Venus Wheat Fig Bars."

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 hairs, hairs resembling rodent hairs, insects, insect fragments, and feather fragments; and, Section 402 (a) (4), it had been prepared and packed under insanitary conditions whereby it may have become contaminated with filth.

DISPOSITION: May 27, 1946. A plea of nolo contendere having been entered, the court imposed a fine of \$250 on each of the 2 counts of the information.

10714. Adulteration of cookies. U. S. v. 1,874 Caddies * * * (F. D. C. No. 19102. Sample Nos. 18298-H to 18300-H, incl., 19301-H to 19303-H, incl.)

LIBEL FILED: February 11, 1946, Southern District of Iowa.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about January 4 and 12, 1946, by the Manchester Biscuit Co., from Sioux Falls, S. Dak.

PRODUCT: 1,874 caddies of cookies at Des Moines, Iowa. The caddies contained from 5½ pounds to 9¾ pounds of the product.

LABEL, IN PART: "Chocolate Drop," "Peanut Butter Cookie," "Chocolate Ontario," "Mother's Cookie," "Lad's Cookie," or "Skippy."

NATURE OF CHARGE: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (3), the articles consisted in whole or in part of filthy substances by reason of the presence of insect fragments and rodent hair fragments; and, Section 402 (a) (4), they had been prepared under insanitary conditions whereby they may have become contaminated with filth.

Disposition: May 3, 1946. No claimant having appeared, judgment of condemnation was entered and the cookies were ordered destroyed.

10715. Adulteration of soda crackers and zwieback. U. S. v. 120 Cartons, etc. (and 1 other seizure action). (F. D. C. Nos. 19103, 19104. Sample Nos. 19630-H, 19633-H, 50920-H.)

LIBELS FILED: February 8 and 9, 1946, Northern District of Iowa and District of Minnesota.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: Between the approximate dates of January 8 and 14, 1946, by the Manchester Biscuit Co., from Sioux Falls, S. Dak.

PRODUCT: 120 cartons, each containing 12 1-pound packages, of soda crackers and 65 cartons, each containing 12 7-ounce packages, of zwieback at St. Paul, Minn., and 48 cases, each containing 12 7-ounce packages, of zwieback at Sioux City, Iowa.

LABEL, IN PART: "Waldorf Crackers," or "Flame Kissed Zwieback."

NATURE OF CHARGE: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (3), the products consisted in whole or in part of filthy substances by reason of the presence of insect fragments and rodent hair fragments in the soda crackers, and insect fragments in the zwieback; and, Section 402 (a) (4), they had been prepared under insanitary conditions whereby they may have become contaminated with filth.

DISPOSITION: March 12 and June 27, 1946. No claimant having appeared, judgments of condemnation were entered. The Sioux City lot was ordered destroyed, and the remainder of the product was ordered denatured for use as animal feed or destroyed, under the supervision of the Food and Drug Administration.

10716. Misbranding of cheese crackers. U. S. v. 34 Cases * * *. (F. D. C. No. 18499. Sample No. 36478-H.)

LIBEL FILED: November 27, 1945, Western District of Washington.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about September 26, 1945, by the Rex Food Products Co., from Los Angeles, Calif.

Product: 34 cases, each containing 48 3-ounce bags, of cheese crackers at Seattle, Wash. Examination showed that the product was short-weight.