

FLOUR*

Nos. 10922 and 10923 report actions involving flour that was insect- or rodent-infested, or both. (In those cases in which the time of contamination was known, that fact is stated in the notice of judgment.) The flour reported in Nos. 10924 and 10925 failed to meet the standard for enriched flour.

10922. Adulteration of flour. U. S. v. Chehalem Valley Mills. Plea of nolo contendere. Fine, \$200. (F. D. C. No. 19516. Sample Nos. 31565-H to 31567-H, incl.)

INFORMATION FILED: May 22, 1946, District of Oregon, against Chehalem Valley Mills, a corporation, Newberg, Ore.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about June 27 and July 9, 1945, from the State of Oregon into the State of California.

LABEL, IN PART: "Chehalem Valley Mills High Grade White Swan Flour."

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

DISPOSITION: June 12, 1946. A plea of nolo contendere having been entered on behalf of the defendant, the court imposed a fine of \$100 on each count, a total fine of \$200.

10923. Adulteration of flour. U. S. v. 241 Bags * * *. (F. D. C. No. 19663. Sample No. 52860-H.)

LIBEL FILED: April 23, 1946, Southern District of Ohio.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about November 20 and 30, 1945, from Kansas City, Mo.

PRODUCT: 241 25-pound bags of flour at Zanesville, Ohio, in possession of Zanesville Terminal Warehouse. 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 product contained rodent hairs and urine.

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 30, 1946. No claimant having appeared, judgment was entered ordering the product turned over to an institution, for use as stock feed.

10924. Adulteration and misbranding of enriched flour. U. S. v. 14 Bales and 7 Bales * * *. (F. D. C. Nos. 19634, 19785. Sample Nos. 35951-H, 56445-H.)

LABELS FILED: On or about April 18 and 26, 1946, Western District of Missouri.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about January 21, 1946, by Moundridge Milling Co., from Moundridge, Kans.

PRODUCT: 14 bales and 7 bales, each containing 10 5-pound bags, of enriched flour at North Kansas City, Mo.

LABEL, IN PART: "Co-op Enriched Flour Bleached Milled For Consumers Cooperative Association North Kansas City, Missouri."

NATURE OF CHARGE: Adulteration, Section 402 (b) (1), valuable constituents, thiamine (vitamin B₁) and iron, had been in part omitted from the article.

Misbranding, Section 403 (g) (1), the article failed to conform to the definition and standard of identity for enriched flour since it contained less than 1.60 milligrams of vitamin B₁ and less than 11.7 milligrams of iron per pound, the minimum amount of vitamin B₁ and iron permitted by the regulations.

DISPOSITION: August 13 and 23, 1946. No claimant having appeared, judgments of condemnation were entered and the product was ordered converted into stock feed.

*See also No. 10921.