PRODUCT: 1,048 pounds of dressed poultry at New York, N. Y.

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 birds contaminated with excreta; and, Section 402 (a) (5), the article was in whole or in part the product of a diseased animal, or of an animal which had died otherwise than by slaughter.

DISPOSITION: December 4, 1950. Default decrees of condemnation and destruction.

16945. Adulteration of dressed poultry. U. S. v. 381 Pounds \* \* \*. (F. D. C. No. 29835. Sample No. 73141–K.)

LIBEL FILED: October 19, 1950, Southern District of New York.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about October 4, 1950, by Rockland Poultry Co., Inc., from Rockland, Maine.

Product: 381 pounds of dressed poultry in 5 unlabeled crates at New York, N. Y.

NATURE OF CHARGE: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (3), the article was unfit for food by reason of the presence of emaciated birds; and, Section 402 (a) (5), the article was in whole or in part the product of a diseased animal, or of an animal which had died otherwise than by slaughter.

DISPOSITION: November 13, 1950. Default decree of condemnation and destruction.

16946. Misbranding of frozen chicken à la king. U. S. v. 45 Cases \* \* \* (F. D. C. No. 29929. Sample Nos. 35647-K, 35650-K.)

LIBEL FILED: October 13, 1950, Northern District of California.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about July 10 and August 9, 1950, by Chet's Famous Foods, from Eugene, Oreg.

PRODUCT: 45 cases, each containing 36 12-ounce cartons, of frozen chicken a la king at San Jose, Calif.

LABEL, IN PART: "Chet's Famous Foods Brand Chicken A La King."

NATURE OF CHARGE: Misbranding, Section 403 (k), the article contained artificial coloring and failed to bear labeling stating that fact.

Disposition: November 29, 1950. Default decree of condemnation and destruction.

## SPICES, FLAVORS, AND SEASONING MATERIALS

16947. Adulteration of pepper hulls. U. S. v. John N. Wright, Jr. Plea of guilty. Fine of \$200, plus costs. (F. D. C. No. 29650. Sample Nos. 79648-K, 81028-K.)

INFORMATION FILED: November 15, 1950, District of Maryland, against John N. Wright, Jr., Federalsburg, Md.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about March 30 and April 24, 1950, from the State of Maryland into the States of Pennsylvania and Massachusetts.

NATURE OF CHARGE: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (3), the product consisted in part of a filthy substance by reason of the presence of vinegar flies, maggots, larval head capsules, insect fragments, mites, aphids, rodent hair fragments, and feather fragments; and, Section 402 (a) (4), it had been prepared and packer under insanitary conditions whereby it may have become contaminated with filth.