PRODUCT: 569 120-pound bags of shelled peanuts at Seattle, Wash.

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-damaged nuts.

Disposition: November 15, 1950. The Pacific Food Products Co., Seattle, Wash., claimant, having consented to the entry of a decree, judgment of condemnation was entered and the court ordered that the product be released under bond for segregation, under the supervision of the Federal Security Agency. The segregation operations resulted in the release of 527 bags of the product as fit for human consumption, the denaturing of 19 bags for use as hog feed, and the destruction of 23 bags.

16990. Adulteration of peanut butter. U. S. v. 41 Cases, etc. (F. D. C. No. 30246. Sample Nos. 38414-K, 38415-K.)

LIBEL FILED: November 13, 1950, District of New Mexico.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about August 28 and September 12, 1950, by the Western Food Products Co., from Hutchinson, Kans.

PRODUCT: Peanut butter. 41 cases, each containing 24 10-ounce jars, and 45 cases, each containing 24 8%-ounce jars, at Albuquerque, N. Mex.

LABEL, IN PART: (Jar) "Rich-Nut Peanut Butter."

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 insect parts and (41-case lot only) rodent hair fragments; and, Section 402 (a) (4), the product had been prepared under insanitary conditions whereby it may have become contaminated with filth.

Disposition: December 18, 1950. Default decree of condemnation and destruction.

POULTRY

16991. Adulteration of dressed poultry. U. S. v. 1,235 Pounds * * *. (F. D. C. No. 30258. Sample No. 73151-K.)

Libel Filed: November 16, 1950, Southern District of New York.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about November 2, 1950, by the Lipman Poultry Co., from Bangor, Maine.

PRODUCT: 1,235 pounds of dressed poultry, in 17 crates, 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 fecal matter and dirt; 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 decree of condemnation and destruction.

16992. Adulteration of frozen poultry. U. S. v. 6,620 Pounds * * *. (F. D. C. No. 30262. Sample Nos. 73148–K to 73150–K, incl.)

LIBEL FILED: November 21, 1950, Southern District of New York.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about September 30 and October 13, 1950, by Randolph & Co., from Guthrie Center, Iowa.

PRODUCT: 6.620 pounds of frozen poultry, in 97 crates, at New York, N. Y.

NATURE OF CHARGE: Adulteration, 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 5, 1950. Default decree of condemnation and destruction.

16993. Adulteration of dressed turkeys. U. S. v. 280 Pounds * * * *. (F. D. C. No. 29875. Sample No. 73147–K.)

LIBEL FILED: November 21, 1950, Southern District of New York.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about October 20, 1950, by Rockingham Produce Co., Inc., New Market, Va.

PRODUCT: 280 pounds of dressed turkeys at Bronx, N. Y.

NATURE OF CHARGE: Adulteration, 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 decree of condemnation and destruction.

SPICES, FLAVORS, AND SEASONING MATERIALS*

16994. Misbranding of imitation black pepper. U. S. v. 1 200-Pound Drum, etc. (F. D. C. No. 29968. Sample Nos. 70751-K, 70752-K.)

LIBEL FILED: On or about November 18, 1950, District of Kansas.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about August 30, 1950, from Kansas City, Mo.

PRODUCT: Imitation black pepper. 1 200-pound drum containing 50 pounds, and 6 unlabeled ½-pound packages and 4 unlabeled 1-pound packages repacked from the above drum, at Kansas City, Kans., in possession of the Katy Fruit Market.

RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION: The unlabeled ½-pound packages and 1-pound packages of imitation black pepper had been repacked from the drum and were displayed on the counter, together with a placard reading "Ground Black Pepper 98¢ Full Pound."

LABEL, IN PART: (Drum) "Taste Rite Imitation Ground Pepper (Black) Contains Buckwheat Cereal Base, Spices and Red Pepper, Black Pepper, Shells, Charlock."

NATURE OF CHARGE: Misbranding, Section 403 (b), the product was offered for sale under the name of another food, i. e., pure black pepper. The product was misbranded while held for sale after shipment in interstate commerce.

DISPOSITION: January 18, 1951. Default decree of condemnation and destruction.

16995. Adulteration of anise seed. U. S. v. 105 Bags * * * *. (F. D. C. No. 29809. Sample No. 73038-K.)

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

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about July 22, 1949, from Mexico.

PRODUCT: 105 110-pound bags of anise seed at New York, N. Y.

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 insects.

^{*}See also No. 16976.