CEREALS AND CEREAL PRODUCTS

FLOUR

19351. Adulteration of pastry flour, whole wheat flour, and plain flour. U.S. v. 40 Bags, etc. (F. D. C. No. 32913. Sample Nos. 27002-L to 27006-L, incl.)

LIBEL FILED: March 27, 1952, Northern District of California.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about December 22, 1951, and January 31, 1952, from Seattle, Wash.

PRODUCT: 40 100-pound bags of pastry flour, 17 100-pound bags of whole wheat flour, and 152 100-pound bags of plain flour at Eureka, Calif., in the possession of the M. Vonsen Co.

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 rodent urine; and, Section 402 (a) (4), the products had been held under insanitary conditions whereby they may have become contaminated with filth. The products were adulterated while held for sale after shipment in interstate commerce.

DISPOSITION: April 21, 1952. The Fisher Flouring Mills Co., Seattle, Wash., claimant, having consented to the entry of a decree, judgment of condemnation was entered and the court ordered that the products be released under bond to be converted into animal feed, under the supervision of the Food and Drug Administration. The products were denatured and used for animal feed.

19352. Adulteration of flour and rice. U. S. v. 46 Bags, etc. (F. D. C. No. 32888. Sample Nos. 35596-L, 35597-L.)

LIBEL FILED: March 24, 1952, Northern District of Iowa.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about October 15 and 17, 1951, and January 16, 1952, from Stuttgart, Ark., and Omaha, Nebr.

PRODUCT: 46 50-pound bags of flour and 67 25-pound bags and 10 100-pound bags of rice at Dubuque, Iowa, in the possession of the Western Grocer Division.

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 rodent urine; and, Section 402 (a) (4), the articles had been held under insanitary conditions whereby they may have become contaminated with filth. The articles were adulterated while held for sale after shipment in interstate commerce.

Disposition: April 30, 1952. Western Grocer, a division of the Consolidated Grocers Corp., Dubuque, Iowa, claimant, having consented to the entry of a decree, judgment of condemnation was entered and the court ordered that the products be released under bond for segregation and destruction of the unfit portions, under the supervision of the Federal Security Agency. The segregation operations resulted in the destruction of approximately 10 pounds of flour and 106 pounds of rice as unfit.