NATURE OF CHARGE: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (3), the articles consisted in whole or in part of a filthy substance 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: September 28, 1953. Default decree of condemnation and destruction.

## **POULTRY**

20577. Adulteration of dressed poultry. U. S. v. 1,800 Pounds \* \* \*. (F. D. C. No. 35307. Sample No. 50531-L.)

LIBEL FILED: June 12, 1953, Southern District of New York.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about May 28, 1953, by the Rosen Poultry Co., from Willimantic, Conn.

PRODUCT: 1,800 pounds of dressed poultry in 24 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 which were contaminated with fecal matter; and, Section 402 (a) (5), the article was in whole or in part the product of a diseased animal.

Disposition: July 8, 1953. Default decree of condemnation. The court ordered that a portion of the product be delivered to the Food and Drug Administration and that the remainder be destroyed.

20578. Adulteration of dressed poultry. U. S. v. 600 Pounds \* \* \*. (F. D. C. No. 35266. Sample No. 57382-L.)

LIBEL FILED: May 22, 1953, Eastern District of Virginia,

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about May 13, 1953, by the Sun Valley Poultry Corp., from Berlin, Md.

PRODUCT: 600 pounds of dressed poultry in 3 barrels at Norfolk, Va.

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 which were contaminated with fecal matter and crop material; and, Section 402 (a) (5), the article was in whole or in part the product of a diseased animal.

DISPOSITION: July 22, 1953. Default decree of condemnation and destruction.

20579. Adulteration of dressed poultry. U. S. v. 540 Pounds \* \* \*. (F. D. C. No. 35355. Sample No. 45327-L.)

LIBEL FILED: July 13, 1953, District of Massachusetts,

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about July 9, 1953, by the Vermont Poultry Outlet, from South Royalton, Vt.

PRODUCT: 540 pounds of dressed poultry in 8 crates at Boston, Mass.

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 which were contaminated with fecal matter and which were otherwise unfit for food by reason of the presence of extensively bruised birds; and, Section 402 (a) (5), the article was in whole or in part the product of a diseased animal.

DISPOSITION: August 25, 1953. Default decree of condemnation and destruction.