5168. Cal-Fer-D tablets. (F. D. C. No. 38986. S. No. 22–974 M.)

QUANTITY: 34 100-tablet btls. at Boston, Mass., in possession of Pitman-Moore Co.

SHIPPED: 5–3–55, from Indianapolis, Ind.

LABEL IN PART: (Btl.) "Tablets Cal-Fer-D Coated Red Each tablet represents: * * * Vitamin D (Irradiated Ergosterol) . . . . 200 U. S. P. units."

RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION: Analysis showed that the article contained approximately 50 percent of the declared amount of vitamin D.

LIBELED: 3–8–56, Dist. Mass.

CHARGE: 501 (c)—the strength of the article, while held for sale, differed from that which it purported and was represented to possess; and 502 (a)—the label statement "Each tablet represents: * * * Vitamin D (Irradiated Ergosterol) . . . 200 U. S. P. units" was false and misleading.

DISPOSITION: 6–19–56. Default—destruction.

5169. Magnesium carbonate. (F. D. C. No. 39281. S. No. 31–340 M.)

QUANTITY: 6 50-lb. bags at Cincinnati, Ohio.

SHIPPED: 4–11–56, from Philadelphia, Pa., by Darlington Chemicals, Inc.

LABEL IN PART: (Bag) "Magnesium Oxide Light Powder * * * Darlington Chemicals (Inc.) Philadelphia, Pa. Made in England"; (sticker) "DCI Magnesium Carbonate U. S. P."

RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION: Analysis showed that the article was magnesium oxide with a small amount of calcium oxide.

LIBELED: 6–18–56, S. Dist. Ohio.

CHARGE: 501 (d)—when shipped, magnesium oxide with a small amount of calcium oxide had been substituted for *magnesium carbonate*; and 502 (a)—the label statement "DCI Magnesium Carbonate U. S. P." was false and misleading.

DISPOSITION: 7–17–56. Default—destruction.

5170. Ephedrine sulfate. (F. D. C. No. 39006. S. No. 47–632 M.)

QUANTITY: 1 case containing 2 100-oz. cans, and 1 500-oz. drum at New York, N. Y.

SHIPPED: 1–31–56, from England.

RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION: The article was water-damaged in shipment.

LIBELED: 4–3–56, S. Dist. N. Y.

CHARGE: 501 (b), while held for sale, the quality and purity of the article fell below the standard set forth in the United States Pharmacopeia since the standard provides that *ephedrine sulfate* when dried at 105° for 3 hours, loses not more than 2 percent of its weight; whereas the article when dried at 105° for 3 hours, would lose substantially more than 2 percent of its weight because of excessive water content.

DISPOSITION: 4–24–56. Default—destruction.

5171. Digitalis tablets. (F. D. C. No. 38985. S. No. 23–877 M.)

QUANTITY: 1 drum containing 24,000 tablets at Tucson, Ariz.

SHIPPED: 12–29–55, from Denver, Colo., by Western Research Laboratories.

RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION: Analysis showed that the digitalis potency of the article was less than 85 percent of its declared potency of 1½ grains of U. S. P.