Adulteration of the article was alleged in the information for the reason that it consisted in part of a filthy and decomposed animal substance.

On December 1, 1924, the defendants entered pleas of guilty to the information, and the court imposed a fine of $25.

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12977. Adulteration of butter. U. S. v. 300 Boxes of Butter. Product released under bond. (F. & D. No. 19031. I. S. No. 11631–v. S. No. W–1579.)

On or about September 5, 1924, the United States attorney for the Southern District of California, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district a libel praying the seizure and condemnation of 300 boxes of butter, remaining in the original unbroken packages at Los Angeles, Calif., alleging that the article had been shipped by the Union Creamery Co., La Grande, Oreg., on or about June 10, 1924, and transported from the State of Oregon into the State of California, and charging adulteration in violation of the food and drugs act.

Adulteration of the article was alleged in the libel for the reason that a product deficient in milk fat had been substituted wholly or in part for butter, and for the further reason that a valuable constituent, namely, milk fat, had been partially abstracted therefrom.

On December 17, 1924, the product having been theretofore released under bond to the claimant, the Stanley Brokerage Co., Los Angeles, Calif., for the purpose of being reworked and rechurned, a final decree was entered, ordering that the libel be dismissed, that the Government recover costs of the proceedings, and that the bond be exonerated.

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12978. Adulteration and misbranding of butter. U. S. v. 112 Tubs of Butter. Consent decree of condemnation and forfeiture. Product released under bond to be denatured. (F. & D. No. 19398. I. S. No. 13339–v. S. No. E–5040.)

On December 4, 1924, the United States attorney for the Southern District of New York, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district a libel praying the seizure and condemnation of 112 tubs of butter, remaining in the original unbroken packages at New York, N. Y., alleging that the article had been shipped by the Glen Ullin Creamery Co., Glen Ullin, N. Dak., on or about July 21, 1924, and transported from the State of North Dakota into the State of New York, and charging adulteration and misbranding in violation of the food and drugs act.

Adulteration of the article was alleged in the libel for the reason that a substance deficient in butterfat and containing excessive moisture had been mixed and packed therewith so as to reduce, lower, or injuriously affect its quality or strength and had been substituted in whole or in part for the said article. Adulteration was alleged for the further reason that a valuable constituent of the article, butterfat, had been in whole or in part abstracted.

Misbranding was alleged for the reason that the article was offered for sale under the distinctive name of another article.

On December 31, 1924, the Glen Ullin Creamery Co., Glen Ullin, N. Dak., claimant, having admitted the allegations of the libel and having consented to the entry of a decree, judgment of condemnation and forfeiture was entered, and it was ordered by the court that the product be released to the said claimant upon payment of the costs of the proceedings and the execution of a bond in the sum of $1,680, in conformity with section 10 of the act, conditioned in part that it be denatured and sold for grease for use in the manufacture of soap.

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12979. Adulteration and misbranding of Concord grape soda water flavor. U. S. v. Sethness Co. Plea of guilty. Fine, $100. (F. & D. No. 18576. I. S. Nos. 1490–v, 4579–v.)

On July 2, 1924, the United States attorney for the Northern District of Illinois, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district an information against the Sethness Co., a corporation, Chicago, Ill., alleging shipment by said company, in violation of the food and drugs act, on or about March 19, 1923, from the State of Illinois into the District of Columbia, and on or about July 27,