PRODUCT: 200 bags, containing approximately 18,860 pounds, of white corn at El Monte, Calif., in possession of the Poppy Food Products Co.

This product was stored under insanitary conditions after shipment. Some of the bags were rodent-gnawed, and rodent pellets and urine stains were observed on the bags. Examination disclosed the presence in the article of weevils, beetles, larvae, moths, and rodent excreta.

VIOLATIONS CHARGED: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (3), the product consisted in whole or in part of a filthy substance; and, Section 402 (a) (4), it had been held under insanitary conditions whereby it may have become contaminated with filth.

DISPOSITION: November 17, 1944. The Poppy Food Products Co., claimant, having admitted the allegations of the libel, judgment of condemnation was entered and the product was ordered released, under bond, for sale as animal feed, under the supervision of the Food and Drug Administration.

7544. Adulteration of corn grits. U. S. v. 100 Bags of Corn Grits. Consent decree of condemnation. Product ordered released under bond. (F. D. C. No. 14450. Sample No. 86542-F.)

LIBEL FILED: November 13, 1944, Northern District of Illinois.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: August 23, 1944, by the Charles A. Krause Milling Co., from Milwaukee, Wis.

PRODUCT: 100 100-pound bags of corn grits at Chicago, Ill.

LABEL, IN PART: "Amerikorn White Corn Grits Degerminated."

VIOLATION CHARGED: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (3), the product consisted in whole or in part of a filthy substance by reason of the presence of beetles, larvae, webbing, and rodent excreta.

DISPOSITION: December 18, 1944. The Keeley Brewing Co., Chicago, Ill., claimant, having admitted the allegations of the libel, judgment of condemnation was entered and the product was ordered released under bond to be salvaged in accordance with the law, under the supervision of the Food and Drug Administration.

7545. Adulteration of yellow corn meal. U. S. v. 192 Bags of Yellow Corn Meal. Default decree of condemnation. Product ordered delivered to the National Zoological Park, for use as animal feed. (F. D. C. No. 14033. Sample No. 92830-F.)

LIBEL FILED: October 11, 1944, District of Columbia.

PRODUCT: 192 bags, each containing 100 pounds, of corn meal at Washington, D. C., at the Terminal Storage Co. of Washington.

This product had been stored, after shipment, under insanitary conditions. Many of the bags had been gnawed by rodents, and rodent excreta was observed on the bags. Examination showed that the article contained moths, weevils, larvae, and cast skins.

VIOLATIONS CHARGED: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (3), the product consisted in whole or in part of a filthy substance; and, Section 402 (a) (4), it had been held under insanitary conditions whereby it may have become contaminated with filth.

DISPOSITION: November 6, 1944. No claimant having appeared, judgment of condemnation was entered and the product was ordered delivered to the National Zoological Park, for use as animal feed.

7546. Adulteration of corn meal. U. S. v. 2,700 Bags of Corn Meal. Decree of condemnation. Product ordered released under bond. (F. D. C. No. 14170. Sample Nos. 89676-F to 89678-F, incl.)

LIBEL FILED: On or about November 11, 1944, Western District of Missouri.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about October 13, 1944, by the Neosho Milling Co., from Neosho, Mo., to Harrison, Ark. The shipment was rejected by the consignee and returned on or about October 18, 1944, to Neosho, Mo.

PRODUCT: 2,700 5-pound, 10-pound, and 25-pound bags of corn meal at Neosho, Mo.

LABEL, IN PART: "Queen Quality Brand White Corn Meal."

VIOLATION CHARGED: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (3), the product consisted in whole or in part of a filthy substance by reason of the presence of rodent excreta fragments and rodent hairs.

DISPOSITION: January 9, 1945. The Neosho Milling Co. having appeared as claimant, judgment of condemnation was entered and the product was ordered

released under bond to be denatured for use as animal feed, under the supervision of the Food and Drug Administration.

7547. Adulteration of corn meal. U. S. v. 210 Bags and 475 Bags of Corn Meal. Consent decree of condemnation. Product ordered released under bond. (F. D. C. No. 14152. Sample Nos. 61955–F, 61960–F.)

LIBEL FILED: October 30, 1944, Eastern District of Louisiana.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about October 10 and 12, 1944, by the Bewley Mills, from Fort Worth, Tex.

PRODUCT: 210 5-pound bags and 475 25-pound bags of corn meal, at New Orleans, La.

LABEL, IN PART: "Ole-Fashun Corn Meal."

VIOLATIONS CHARGED: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (3), the product consisted in whole or in part of a filthy substance by reason of the presence of beetles, larvae, insect fragments, rodent excreta fragments, and rodent hair fragments; and, Section 402 (a) (4), it had been prepared under insanitary conditions whereby it may have become contaminated with filth.

DISPOSITION: January 5, 1945. The Bewley Mills, claimant, having admitted the allegations of the libel, judgment of condemnation was entered and the product was ordered released under bond for conversion into animal feed, under the supervision of the Food and Drug Administration.

7548. Adulteration of popcorn. U. S. v. 24 Cases, 8 Cases, 50 Cans, and 25 Cases of Popcorn. Default decrees of condemnation and destruction. (F. D. C. Nos. 14107, 14108. Sample Nos. 74950–F, 74953–F, 74963–F, 74964–F.)

LIBELS FILED: On or about October 26, 1944, District of Oregon.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about June 29, 1944, by the American Pop Corn Co., from Sioux City, Iowa.

PRODUCT: 49 cases, each containing 24 cans, 8 cases, each containing 48 cans, and 50 cans of popcorn, at Portland, Oreg.

LABEL, IN PART: (Cans) "Jolly Time White Hulless Pop Corn Net Weight 10 Ounces."

VIOLATIONS CHARGED: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (3), the product consisted in whole or in part of a filthy substance by reason of the presence of weevils and larvae.

DISPOSITION: On or about December 4, 1944. No claimant having appeared, judgments of condemnation were entered and the product was ordered destroyed.

7549. Adulteration of popcorn. U. S. v. 500 Bags of Popcorn. Consent decree of condemnation. Product ordered released under bond. (F. D. C. No. 14960. Sample No. 89908–F.)

LIBEL FILED: January 6, 1945, Western District of Tennessee.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about November 29, 1944, by G. C. Atkins, from Shawneetown, Ill.

PRODUCT: 500 100-pound bags of popcorn at Memphis, Tenn.

VIOLATION CHARGED: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (3), the product consisted in whole or in part of a filthy substance by reason of the presence of rodent pellets and rodent-gnawed kernels.

DISPOSITION: January 13, 1945. G. C. Atkins, Dallas, Tex., claimant, having admitted the allegations of the libel, judgment of condemnation was entered and the product was ordered released under bond to be cleaned in order to eliminate all unfit material, under the supervision of an officer designated by the Federal Security Agency Administrator.

7550. Adulteration of rice. U. S. v. 1,000 Bags and 1,000 Bags of Rice. Default decrees of condemnation. Product ordered sold to the highest bidder. (F. D. C. Nos. 13675, 13721. Sample Nos. 89704–F, 89720–F.)

LIBEL FILED: September 13 and 21, 1944, Eastern District of Missouri.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about March 27 and 28, 1944, by the San Francisco Rice Co., from Sacramento, Calif.

PRODUCT: 2,000 100-pound bags of rice, at St. Louis, Mo.

LABEL, IN PART: "Rice Milled By Growers Rice Milling Co., Sacramento, Calif."