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

DISPOSITION: March 21, 1951. Default decree of condemnation and destruction.

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17315. Adulteration of unpopped popcorn. U. S. v. Blevins Popcorn Co., Inc. Plea of guilty. Fine, $600. (F. D. C. No. 30089. Sample Nos. 67460–K, 84570–K, 92665–K.)

INFORMATION FILED: March 15, 1951, Southern District of Ohio, against Blevins Popcorn Co., Inc., Arcanum, Ohio.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about September 23 and 28, 1950, from the State of Ohio into the States of Indiana and Virginia.

LABEL, IN PART: (Sack) "Blevins Bee Hive Hybrid Popcorn Blevins Popcorn Co. Nashville, Tenn. Nashville, Tenn.-Arcanum, Ohio 100 Lbs."

NATURE OF CHARGE: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (3), the product consisted in part of a filthy substance by reason of the presence of insects, insect parts, rodent hair fragments, and insect- and rodent-damaged kernels; and, Section 402 (a) (4), the product had been prepared and packed under insanitary conditions whereby it may have become contaminated with filth.

DISPOSITION: May 24, 1951. A plea of guilty having been entered, the court imposed a fine of $600.

17316. Adulteration of rice. U. S. v. 735 Bags * * *. (F. D. C. No. 30496. Sample Nos. 27891–L, 27892–L.)

LIBEL FILED: January 29, 1951, Northern District of California.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about March 21 and July 25, 1950, from Houston, Tex., and Crowley, La.

PRODUCT: 735 bags, each containing 100 pounds, of rice at San Francisco, Calif.

NATURE OF CHARGE: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (3), the product consisted in whole or in part of a filthy substance by reason of the presence of insects and insect excreta. The product was adulterated while held for sale after shipment in interstate commerce.

DISPOSITION: February 13, 1951. J. A. Lewis, Oakland, Calif., and Lee & Lamb, San Francisco, Calif., having appeared as claimants for 135 sacks and 600 sacks, respectively, and having consented to the entry of a decree, judgment of condemnation was entered and the court ordered that the product be released under bond for the purpose of cleaning and fumigating, under the supervision of the Food and Drug Administration. 732 100-pound bags and 35 pounds of the product were recovered as the result of the recleaning operations. The waste material was destroyed.

17317. Adulteration of wheat. U. S. v. The Wheeler Cooperative Equity Union and Louis W. Dean. Pleas of guilty. Joint fine of $100, plus costs. (F. D. C. No. 30562. Sample No. 21599–K.)

INFORMATION FILED: February 1, 1951, District of Kansas, against The Wheeler Cooperative Equity Union, a corporation, Wheeler, Kans., and Louis W. Dean, manager of the corporation.