packed into small cans, such acts resulting in the repackaged oysters being misbranded.

NATURE OF CHARGE: Adulteration, Section 402 (b) (2), water had been substituted in part for oysters; and, Section 402 (b) (4), water had been added to the oysters and mixed and packed with them so as to increase their bulk and reduce their quality.

Misbranding, Section 403 (g) (1), the repackaged oysters in the small cans failed to conform to the definition and standard of identity for oysters since they were packed with water, an added substance.

DISPOSITION: November 9, 1951. A plea of guilty having been entered, the court imposed a fine of $100 on each of 2 counts.

17925. Adulteration of frozen breaded shrimp. U. S. v. 99 Cases * * *. (F. D. C. No. 31852. Sample No. 17765-L.)

LIBEL FILED: September 27, 1951, Southern District of California.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about August 23, 1951, from Brunswick, Ga.

PRODUCT: 99 cases, each containing 24 12-ounce packages, of frozen breaded shrimp at Los Angeles, Calif.

NATURE OF CHARGE: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (3), the article consisted in whole or in part of a decomposed substance by reason of the presence of decomposed shrimp. The article was adulterated while held for sale after shipment in interstate commerce.

DISPOSITION: October 30, 1951. Default decree of condemnation. The court ordered that the product be sold, to be denatured and converted into animal feed, under the supervision of the Food and Drug Administration and the United States marshal.

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17926. Adulteration and misbranding of pitted prunes. U. S. v. 15 Boxes * * * (and 1 other seizure action). (F. D. C. Nos. 31394, 31395. Sample Nos. 5208-L, 5537-L.)

LIBELS FILED: July 24, 1951, District of Massachusetts.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about April 21, 1951, by Rosenberg Bros. & Co., Inc., from Alameda, Calif.

PRODUCT: Pitted prunes. 15 boxes at Springfield, Mass., and 190 boxes at Boston, Mass. Each box contained 25 pounds.

LABEL, IN PART: "Bestovall Brand Medium Pitted Prunes."

NATURE OF CHARGE: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (1), the product contained a deleterious substance, sharp pit fragments, which may have rendered it injurious to health.

Misbranding, Section 403 (a), the label designation "Pitted" was false and misleading as applied to a product containing sharp pit fragments.

DISPOSITION: October 15, 1951. Default decrees of condemnation and destruction.