

and one- and five-gallon buckets, with sell-by dates from Sept. 27 to Oct. 16. The oysters had been distributed in Washington, Texas, Alabama, Florida, Hawaii, Illinois, Georgia, Nevada, Missouri, Pennsylvania, Michigan, Oklahoma, Ohio, Virginia, Maryland, New York, New Mexico, North Carolina and Louisiana.

In another Class I recall, the Delicious Cookie Co., Des Plaines, Ill., recalled 323,604 cases of Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles Peanut Butter Graham Cookies because the product failed to list peanuts in the ingredient statement (See FOOD CHEMICAL NEWS, Oct. 29, Page 17). The product, manufactured by Crescent Baking Co., Davenport, Iowa, had been distributed nationwide in 11-ounce boxes.

New York Issues Warning About Mislabeled Peanut Cookies

The New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets issued a warning about the cookies on Nov. 27 after a physician complained that he had treated a patient for a severe case of shock who had consumed some of the cookies. The doctor said the patient believed that the product was artificially flavored. The State urged anyone with peanut allergies to return the cookies to the store in which they were purchased.

Two Class I recalls were initiated by RCV Seafood Inc., Morattico, Va., after *Listeria monocytogenes* was found to have contaminated crabmeat. In the first recall, 239 bags of frozen special crabmeat, in five-pound plastic bags, and fresh machine-picked claw crabmeat, in 75 one-pound plastic cups and 163 five-pound plastic bags, were recalled. The product had been distributed in Virginia and Maryland.

In the second recall, 1,250 pounds of fresh backfin crabmeat, fresh regular crabmeat, and fresh special crabmeat, in one-pound plastic containers and/or five-pound plastic bags, were recalled from Virginia, Maryland, and Washington, D.C.

Also listed in the enforcement report was the Class I recall by Lakeside Packing Co., Manitowoc, Wisc., of 28,305 cases of various brands of cut green beans, which had been distributed nationwide. The products were recalled because the hermetically sealed cans had bypassed the retort process (See FOOD CHEMICAL NEWS, Sept. 24, Page 19). The beans had been marketed under 29 different brands.

FDA Hits "No MSG Added" Labeling on San Francisco Firm's Products

A Nov. 13 regulatory letter to House of Tsang, San Francisco, said an inspection of the firm's food manufacturing facility revealed that it continues to distribute several products with the statement "No MSG Added," although the products contain hydrolyzed vegetable protein, of which monosodium glutamate is a natural constituent.

The letter said the "No MSG" designation appears on the label of the firm's Classic Stir Fry Sauce, Korean Teriyaki Stir Fry Sauce, Szechuan Spicy Stir Fry Sauce, Low Sodium Ginger Flavored Soy Sauce, Low Sodium Soy Sauce, and Low Sodium Mushroom Flavored Soy Sauce.

In addition, the letter said, labels for Hoisin Sauce and Spicy Brown Bean Sauce fail to specify the name and place of business of the manufacturer, packer, or distributor, while the ingredient statement for Sweet & Sour Concentrate fails to list the ingredients for Worcestershire sauce. The firm also failed to identify the House of Tsang as the manufacturer, distributor or packer on labels for several other products, FDA said.

~~A Nov. 14 regulatory letter to Scott A. Rudolph, president of Nature's Bounty, Inc., Bohemia, N.Y., asked that the firm immediately cease distribution of its Puritan's Pride~~