No. 35-261.

IN THE

District Court of the United States Southern District of New York.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Petitioner,

NATIONAL FOOD PRODUCTS COR-PORATION, et al.,

v.

Defendants.

## FINAL DECREE.

EMORY R. BUCKNER, United States Attorney.

ALEXANDER B. ROYCE, Special Assistant to the United States Attorney.

DAVID H. MCALPIN, 3rd, Special Assistant to the United States Attorney.

CRENNA SELLERS, Special Assistant to the United States Attorney.

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WILLIAM J. DONOVAN, Assistant to the Attorney-General.

Entered March 4, 1926.

IN THE

# District Court of the United States

SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Petitioner, v. NATIONAL FOOD PRODUCTS COR-PORATION, et al., Defendants.

In Equity No. 35-261.

TO EACH OF THE DEFENDANTS IN THE ABOVE ENTITLED ACTION:

Sir:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that a decree, of which the within is a copy, was duly filed and entered in the Office of the Clerk of the District Court of the United States for the Southern District of New York, on the 4th day of March, 1926.

> EMORY R. BUCKNER, United States Attorney, Southern District of New York, Attorney for Petitioner.

## IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES, Southern District of New York,

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Petitioner,	
against	
NATIONAL FOOD PRODUCTS COR- PORATION, H. C. BOHACK, C. C. BURDAN, L. BENEDICT, B. S. HALSEY, J. A. MACDERMOTT, CHARLES B. CRANE, ERNEST H. WANDS, WILLIAM H. HALL and ERNEST J. HALLBERG, Defendants.	

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### Final Decree.

This cause came on to be heard at this term, and upon consideration thereof, and upon motion of the petitioner by Emory R. Buckner, United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York, and Alexander B. Royce, David H. McAlpin, 3rd, and Crenna Sellers, Special Assistants to the United States Attorney, of counsel, for relief in accordance with the prayer of the petition, and no testimony or evidence having been taken, and the defendants having appeared by their attorneys, Messrs. Graham, McMahon, Buell & Knox, and J. Harry Covington, Esq., and having consented thereto in open court;

#### NOW THEREFORE, IT IS

ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED as follows:

(1) That the acquisition by National Food Products Corporation of shares of stock in certain Corporations engaged in the production, sale and distribution of foodstuffs as set out in the petition herein and the use of such stock in the manner alleged in the petition will violate Section 7 of the Act of October 15, 1914, commonly called the Clayton Act and accordingly will be illegal.

(2) That National Food Products Corporation within sixty days dispossess itself of all its interest in shares of voting stock of each of the following corporations:

ABBOTTS-ALDERNEY DAIRIES, INC., JAMES BUTLER GROCERY COMPANY, ECONOMY STORES CORPORATION, GREAT ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TEA COMPANY, INC., NATIONAL DAIRY PRODUCTS CORPORATION, REID ICE CREAM CORPORATION, and UNITED STATES STORES CORPORATION;

and that said National Food Products Corporation be perpetually enjoined, restrained and prohibited from acquiring directly or indirectly any shares of voting stock in any of said corporations, or in any successor to the business of any of said corporations.

(3) That National Food Products Corporation be perpetually enjoined, restrained and prohibited from acquiring directly or indirectly, receiving, holding, voting or in any manner acting as the owner of or exercising direct or indirect control over the whole or any part of the voting stock of more than one corporation engaged directly or through subsidiary companies in the same section or community of the United States in any one of the following general lines of business:

(a) The operation of chain grocery stores.

(b) The purchase, preparation and/or sale and distribution of fresh milk and other dairy products.

(c) The manufacture, and/or sale and distribution of condensed milk and similar products.

(d) The manufacture, and/or sale and distribution of ice cream and other frozen products, or

(e) The production or the purchase or the sale and distribution of any other single type of foodstuffs.

(4) That National Food Products Corporation, its directors, officers, agents, employees and all persons and corporations acting under, through, by, or in behalf of or in aid of or in conjunction with it, or claiming so to act, are perpetually enjoined, restrained and prohibited from acquiring directly or indirectly, receiving, or holding, voting or in any manner acting as the owner of, or exercising direct or indirect control over, the whole or any part of the stock or other share capital of any two or more corporations engaged in interstate trade and commerce where the effect of such acquisition or the use of such stock by the voting or granting of proxies or otherwise, may be to substantially lessen competition between such corporations, or any of them, whose stock or other share capital is so acquired, or to restrain such commerce in any section or community or tend to create a monopoly of any line of commerce.

(5) That National Food Products Corporation, its stockholders, directors, and officers are perpetually enjoined, restrained and prohibited from electing or appointing, and from continuing, any person as a director and/or officer of National Food Products Corporation, who is at the same time a director and/or officer of a corporation engaged directly or through subsidiary companies in the production and/or sale and distribution of foodstuffs in any section or community of the United States if at the same time there shall be holding office as a director or officer of National Food Products Corporation any other person who is at the same time an officer or director of another corporation engaged as aforesaid in the production and/or sale and distribution of the same line of foodstuffs in the same section or community.

(6) That the individual defendants herein named and each of them and all others at any time directors or officers of National Food Products Corporation are perpetually enjoined and restrained from making use of their positions as directors and officers of National Food Products Corporation, or as directors and officers of corporations in which National Food Products Corporation directly or indirectly holds or shall hold any stock, in such manner as may substantially lessen competition between such corporations or any of them whose/stock or other share capital is so held, or may tend to restrain interstate trade and commerce in foodstuffs in any section or community, or may tend to create a monopoly of any line of interstate trade and commerce in foodstuffs.

(7) That National Food Products Corporation shall forthwith cause to be printed and published in one or more daily newspapers of general circulation published in the Borough of Manhattan, City of New York, a statement, the form of which shall be approved by the United States Attorney notifying purchasers of stock in National Food Products Corporation and the public generally as to the terms of this decree.

(8) That jurisdiction of this cause is retained by this Court for the purpose of making such other or further orders and decrees as may become necessary.

> WM. BONDY, U. S. D. J.