

We found an error on eggs, and I am not sure the number of dozen involved, but it was three or four dozen eggs. I would have to refer to records to give it to you exactly.

Mr. MYERS. Was this in one store or all three stores you found this same pattern?

Mr. WINSTEAD. I found this pattern in store No. 869, which is Sixth and H, and I found no errors in store No. 730 at all. We found one error in store No. 828, Town Center, in which Crisco was marked at 89 cents, the correct price is 86.

Mr. WASSERMAN. Pardon me, Mr. Chairman. I think his arithmetic is wrong—on what you said was the difference per can on peas.

Mr. WINSTEAD. Correct me on my arithmetic if I am in error. The price was marked—the correct price was three for 59.

Mr. WASSERMAN. Three for 59 and six for a dollar.

Mr. WINSTEAD. Five for a dollar.

Mr. WASSERMAN. Oh, five for a dollar. I am sorry.

Mr. WINSTEAD. I believe I am correct.

Mr. ROSENTHAL. Crisco was 6 cents over book price?

Mr. WINSTEAD. Crisco was incorrectly priced in the Town Center store.

Mr. ROSENTHAL. How do you explain that?

Mr. WINSTEAD. I think this really—that item could be explained logically.

Mr. ROSENTHAL. That was 3 cents over book value.

Mr. WINSTEAD. This is an item priced in which the number also could be interchangeable. We have some problems with errors in our pricing where the numeral 8, which is reversible either way, and the numeral 6 or 9 reverses the value when it is reversed, and this is particularly true where you use a band marker, and the employee looks at the marker's head directly and when it turns it reverses it, and this is a problem. We may mark a 99-cent item through error at 66 cents on the same premise.

Mr. ROSENTHAL. Which way do you think it happens, 99 for 66 or 66 for 99?

Mr. WINSTEAD. I don't believe I could give you the details on that.

Mr. ROSENTHAL. Thank you very much.

Thank you very much, gentlemen.

Our next witness will be Mr. William H. Bozman.

(Short interval.)

Mr. ROSENTHAL. Mr. Winstead, this survey of October 2; would you send us a copy of that so we can put it in the record?

Mr. VAN GEMERT. Sir, we will have to get it back from the FTC.

Mr. ROSENTHAL. You can send us a photostatic copy, can't you?

Mr. VAN GEMERT. Sir, the FTC can give you anything that we gave to them.

Mr. ROSENTHAL. If you can make a copy of it, all right.

Mr. VAN GEMERT. All right.

(The material referred to follows:)

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Landover, Md., October 31, 1967.

HON. BENJAMIN S. ROSENTHAL,
Chairman, Special Studies Subcommittee, Committee on Government Operations,
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DEAR CHAIRMAN ROSENTHAL: During Safeway's appearance on Thursday, October 12, 1967, before the Special Studies Subcommittee, I testified that on