

GHADIALI IS GUILTY ON 12 U.S. CHARGE

Faces 12 Years in Jail, \$12,000 Fine; Jury De- liberates 7 Hours

Dinshah Ghadiali and his Dinshah Spectrochrome Institute, of Malaga, were found guilty last night on 12 charges of violations of the federal pure food, drug and cosmetics act.

A jury in U. S. District Court, Camden, returned the verdict at 11.15 p. m. to Judge Philip Forman who presided over the 42-day trial here. The jury retired to deliberate at 3.54 p. m.

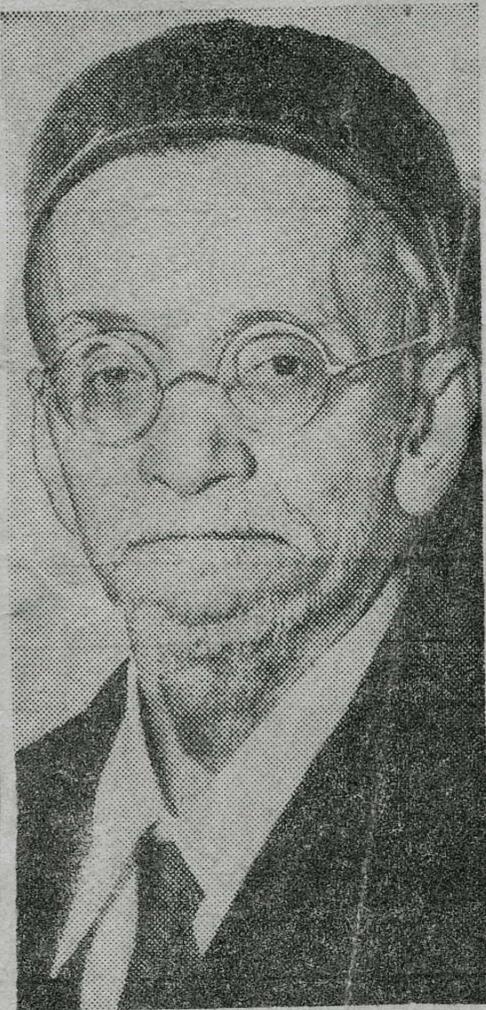
Ghadiali was prosecuted by Assistant U. S. Attorney Grover C. Richman, of Moorestown, assisted by Joseph L. Maguire, attorney for the Food and Drug Administration, Washington.

Under the conviction Ghadiali faces a maximum penalty \$12,000 fine and 12 years in prison. The Spectrochrome Institute also faces a fine up to \$10,000.

Ghadiali requested the jury be polled when George P. Kingswood, foreman, announced the verdict. Following the verdict, Ghadiali, former India army colonel, filed a motion for a new trial. Judge Forman deferred a decision on the motion until 10 a. m. Jan. 27. Ghadiali acted as his own attorney in his own defense.

The defendant on 12 indictments.

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with violating the Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act, has acted as his own attorney. He summoned 173 witnesses to the government's 73. The trial was the longest on record in the Camden district.

Ghadiali, the government contended, introduced into interstate commerce a misbranded article. This is the "spectrochrome" machine, which Ghadiali said cures various diseases and is a "device to measure and restore radioactive and radiomitive equilibrium by attuned color waves, and to restore normalation of imbalance by attuned color waves."

According to the government, the device merely projects the light from a high-powred electric light bulb through vari-colored panes of window glass. The government sought to show that the device, instead of curing, kept its users from seeking recognized medical treatment for their ailments.

Ghadiali has other trials pending in Philadelphia and Detroit and appeals pending in Brooklyn and Portland, Ore., on similar federal charges.

A native of Bombay, India, Ghadiali is a naturalized citizen. He successfully combated previous government attempts to revoke his citizenship and deport him. He has argued several of his own cases before the United States Supreme Court, some successfully.

Ghadiali Fined \$20,000, Ordered to Halt 'Cures'

Dinshah P. Ghadiali, former Indian Army colonel and his Dinshah Spectro-Chrome Institute drew a total of \$20,000 in fines from U. S. District Court Judge Philip Forman in Camden today.

Ghadiali, charged with 12 counts of violating the U. S. food, drug and cosmetic act, also was given a suspended sentence of three years in prison and placed on probation for five years.

The court ordered Ghadiali also to disassociate himself from the Spectro-Chrome and Spectro-Chrome Metry and from teaching or lecturing on it and to turn over to the government for destruction all literature dealing with devices he claimed were used to cure ills of man.

Court Lauds Prosecution

The sentence proved a dramatic climax to one of the longest court trials in history here. The hearing of testimony and argument required 42 days and the transcript was voluminous. Judge Forman delivered high praise of the prosecution, presented by Assistant U. S. Attorney Grover C. Richman Jr.,

of Moorestown. As in previous trials on federal charges, Ghadiali served as his own counsel.

Addressing Ghadiali, Judge Forman said:

"You express great admiration for America and American customs, but you do not adhere to them. In fact, you have walled yourself up, except as to a few people who are your adherents. In addition, you have walled up your family.

"This can be done in a country such as America is. This isolation of yours is a pattern in your life which was shown during the trial of this case.

"The trial was conducted in all of the American tradition of fairness. Every facility was accorded you during the trial. You are following a pattern of design in which you are the central figure in a little world you created. We have many, many cults and groups in America, but that is permissible in America. Many years ago you evolved an idea and an alleged system to heal people. Attendant upon this was a diet and prohibitions as alcohol and the like, and a device to shine attuned color waves to cure ills.