

LUMBER SHIP FROM RUSSIA WILL UNLOAD

Much Heralded "Tes Case" of Treasury Regulations Falls Flat

**CONVICT LABOR
NOT USED. CLAIM**

**Ruling Today Applies
Only to Anversoise—
Northern Lumber Can
not Enter America.**

WASHINGTON, April 27 (AP) — The much heralded "test case" of treasury regulations barring from importation into the United States Russian lumber produced by convicts fell flat today when it was determined that a shipload of lumber which arrived at Providence, R. I., Thursday, did not

Under Secretary Mills issued an order admitting the lumber after a hearing in which the importers, the A. C. Dutton Co., of Poughkeepsie, New York, and the Amtorg corporation, business agency of the soviet government presented affidavits that no convict produced lumber was in the cargo.

The ban on Russian lumber produced in sections of the country north of latitude 60 was placed by the treasury under terms of the tariff act which prohibited importation of any goods produced in whole or in

part by convict labor. The treasurer ruled early this year that testimony presented it showed that convicts were used in the Russian forest north of latitude 60 and ordered all such lumber barred unless accompanied by evidence that convicts did not enter into its production.

Soon after the ruling was issued it was announced in Russia that the steamer Anversoise was sailing from Leningrad with a cargo of lumber to test that regulation. The steamer arrived at Providence last Thursday and was prevented from discharging its cargo pending decision as to the nature of its cargo.

Mills heard arguments by American lumber producers against its importation. He held no evidence was submitted that the lumber had been produced by convicts. The importers had, had submitted documentary evidence that the lumber came from

The Russian lumber question came up first a year ago when the treasurer temporarily detained six ship loads which were brought to Providence and Poughkeepsie, N. Y., but which were admitted after a hearing on the grounds that the evidence that the lumber had been produced by convicts was inconclusive. Later the

treasury permitted about 90 shiploads of Russian pulpwood to come into the country but issued regulations that thereafter the shippers and importers must prove that convict labor had not entered into production of lumber from Russia.

The under secretary said that his decision today applied only to the lumber carried by the steamer Anvers, some and if any more lumber came the importer must prove in each case that convict labor had not entered into its production.

**BODY OF GIRL
FOUND; SEARCH
FOR MURDERER**

MANDEN, Conn., Apr. 27 (AP)—The slaying of Emily Kirk, 21-year-old daughter of a Hamden farmer, remained unsolved today as police

Her body was found in a thick bush yesterday. There were four bullet wounds in the head and arms. The head was badly mutilated and a bloodstained rock lay nearby. Medical examiners, after an autopsy, said they believed the girl had been criminally assaulted.

aturday night stepping from a fire station in an isolated section. The station had been used that night for a banquet and dance. She had been serving as a waitress at the banquet and left the hall to get her party dress from her automobile. The girl's body was found 1000 yards from the fire station.

Presidential Party Meets Rough Sea

Returning to Washington from Cape Henry, Va., aboard the commerce department boat Sequoia, the party met with rough seas. Bri-

The boat, however, put into dock promptly at 9 o'clock as had been scheduled when it left Cape Henry

Wheat Today

whizzed downward today within cent of a half dollar a bushel, almost equaling a record of 50½ cents in 1921. Oats went the lowest since 1901. What maintained steadiness although at times hovering near this season's bottom level.

Unsettlement of securities did much to incite selling of grains, but rallies were helped by announcements of substantial decreases in the visible supplies of wheat and corn. Corn closed unsettled at the same as Saturday's finish to $\frac{3}{4}$ cent.