

STEAMER DUE HERE FOR GERMAN TRADE

Edgcombe Will Load On Foodstuffs and Make First Trip to Country

The Steamship Edgcombe, which was expected to dock here today to get a cargo of foodstuffs to be sent to Germany, will not arrive at this port until Saturday and will probably not sail until the following Monday.

With the sailing of the Edgcombe for Hamburg, the resumption of trade with Germany will begin.

The Edgcombe is one of the two 10,000-ton steel vessels which have been allotted to Philadelphia by the shipping board. They will be under the management of the Charles T. Mege Company.

The Edgcombe will dock at Pier 48, South Wharves.

Aside from the cargo of foodstuffs which the Edgcombe will carry to Hamburg, it will take a number of packages to people in Germany from friends on this side.

A charge of \$2.25 per 100 pounds is made, with a minimum charge of \$5 on these packages. The regular shipping rate of \$1.50 per 100 pounds will be placed on the foodstuffs.

The other of the two ships allotted to Philadelphia, the Liberty, which is under the same management, is in drydock in New York and she is expected in a short time to operate between this city and Bremen.

Adventures With a Purse

TUCKED away in a certain section of Philadelphia is a little shop that I am inclined to call the Value Shop. When you have finished reading this, you will know why.

Among the many fascinating wares are silks. "You see," said the shopkeeper, "after we have had our silks for a certain time, we need to dispose of them to make room for new patterns. Now this silk here" (showing a beautiful piece of silk) "is selling for \$1.35 a yard, and it would cost me more than that now, if I were going to buy it."

Here, glowing habutai silk, of soft white, is this silk for \$1.35. Then at \$1.05 you will find some soft, shimmering crepe charmeuse, in lovely shades. One I saw, for instance, was a most delicious pink shade.

This silk sale will not last long. I had to hurry to tell you about it in time. If you need silk for waists this winter, for a new evening dress, you will find that you can save considerable by visiting my Shop of Values.

If you are English, or if you have English leanings, you will be interested in this bread slicer. Sounds silly, doesn't it? But then you know it for a fact that English people like their bread cut very thin.

And if your tendencies are English, and you like your bread—but why go further? I have proved my point, haven't I? Anyhow, this slicer can be adjusted to cut your bread in slices to the exact thickness or thinness you prefer. It is most convenient, and it costs fifty cents.

The birthstone for August is a sardonyx, and it indicates conjugal happiness. September's birthstone is a sapphire, prophesying constancy, truth and virtue. So I speak of these two months particularly, because they are timely right now, but I do not confine this adventure to August and September alone.

For the names of shops where articles mentioned in "Adventures With a Purse" can be purchased, address Editor of Woman's Page, EVENING PUBLIC LEDGER, or phone the Woman's Department, Walnut 3000.

ROBBERS BIND 2 CHILDREN, RANSACK HOUSE, GET \$900

Masked Men Lock Little Girls in Room in North Randolph Street and Loot Premises

Two little girls told the police a sensational story today of the invasion of the house at 3633 North Randolph street by masked robbers, who, they said, led them captive to a room on the second floor, gagged and tied them, and then stole about \$900.

Before telling their story to the police the girls ran from the house, having escaped from their bonds, and aroused the neighborhood with their cries. The police are investigating.

The children are Mildred Denitz, twelve years old, whose mother has a boarding house at 3633 North Randolph street, and Carmen Lamastro, eight years old, who lives at 3629 North Randolph street.

Carmen went to the Denitz home this morning to help Mildred with the housework while Mrs. Denitz went to see a doctor at Heese and Luxner street to have an injured hand dressed. She recently had an operation on the hand for blood poisoning.

About 9:30 o'clock, the children told the police, two men entered the house and seized them. The children were alone and no one heard the struggle or the muffled cries as the invaders gagged them.

Then, the children say, the thieves took them up stairs to a rear room on the second floor. This room was occupied by Mildred's uncle, Charles Denitz, who is employed in a mill at Eighth and Somerset streets.

Here, the children say, the robbers, after stuffing bits of rags into their mouths to silence them, tied Carmen to a chair and Mildred to a bedpost. In binding them, the children said, the thieves, not having rope, used stock-

Elkton Marriage Licenses

Elkton, Md., Aug. 18.—The following marriage licenses were issued here today: William H. McLaughlin and Emma Beizer, William Rodgers and Mary Moore, Heywood Wiley and Nora Olowski, Henry Dowling and Viola M. Bagley, Charles G. Seip and Louisa M. Schmidt, Joseph W. Hill and Bessie E. Sperry, William F. Ezzell and Helen F. Galloway, Anthony Niewenski and Eva Kitalas, Dominick Maggino and William Goodwin and Martha Carnell, Trenton; Franklin Jacobs and Atta Long, Williamsport; Frank Vancoven and Laura Lehman, Clementon, N. J.; Elmer E. Staller and Catherine Coyle, Pottsville; William R. Quail and Julia Schmidt, New York; Roland White and Myrtle Williamson, Sharpsburg, Pa.; Merritt R. Heist and Mary E. Swavely, Monaca, Pa.; Joseph R. Walbert, Chestertown, Md., and Martha L. Edmondson, Greensboro, N. C.; John Maloney and Elsie Harmon, Pencil Bottom; John D. Masthas and Sara E. Mundle, Wilmington; Lewis Swinehart and Florence Hoover, Quarryville; John J. Hogan and Annie Renno, Reading; Joseph H. Dixon and Thelma Kelly, Wilmington, and John H. Farmer, Dallas, Tex., and Martha Creely, Philadelphia.

Theatrical Manager Dead Shenandoah, Pa., Aug. 18.—Timothy J. McNamara, one of the best-known theatrical men in the lower anthracite region, died here this morning. He managed the Opera Theatre for many years and was prominently identified with the Elks and Knights of Columbus.

CANTRELL & COCHRANE THE STANDARD Ginger Ale OF TWO CONTINENTS Order by the dozen from your dealer for use at home

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The news sections of the Evening Ledger will tell you of our somewhat remarkable Annual Fur Sale, but in these more intimate pages for women, please permit a little mention of our highly expert Fur Repairing and Remodeling Service.

HOTEL READING (Formerly Bryson) Renamed and Renewed Under new management that has already established for it a reputation as the leading, best equipped, best conducted moderate-priced hotel in America.

BIDS ARE OPENED FOR CITY ROAD WORK

Contracts Total \$450,000, Largest Item of Which Is for Repairing Asphalt Streets

Bids were opened today in the Department of Public Works for highway work amounting to \$450,000 and covering about six miles of city streets.

The largest items are \$35,000 for grading; \$85,000 for paving, and \$285,000 for repairing asphalt streets. The rest was for repaving with granite blocks and improving country roads.

Columbia avenue between Eighteenth and Twenty-third streets, will be repaved with wood block; Germantown avenue from Glenwood to Toga, will be paved with granite block, and suspension bridge from Broad to Eighteenth and Norris between Broad and Twenty-

second, will be paved with asphalt. Six bridges also will undergo repairs. The work of highway repairs, as already awarded, amounts to \$1,500,000.

Legal proceedings have been threatened over certain items of road repairing to be paid for out of the \$12,970,000 loan to cover this work.

The bids received this morning were filed to be scheduled and awards will be made later.

In the Department of Health and Charities, bids were received this morning for mechanical equipment to complete the power plant at the Philadelphia Hospital.

Daughter of Revolution Dies at 109 Naples, N. Y., Aug. 18.—Mrs. Samantha Miller, believed to have been the oldest person in the state, died at her home here yesterday, aged 109 years. She was born on January 5, 1810, at Fairfield, Heckler county, the daughter of Elijah Stanton, a Revolutionary soldier and member of Washington's body guard.

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WANAMAKER'S WANAMAKER'S WANAMAKER'S DOWN STAIRS STORE These New Tweed Coats for Women Are Unusual Value at \$19.50 Jersey Cloth Special at \$2.50 a Yard New Plaid Skirts in Autumn's Colorings Pink Satin Corsets at \$3.50 750 Pair of Women's Dark Tan Shoes Special at \$5.90 a Pair