

SHIPPING REVIEW

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July was a very dull month in Philippine Shipping Circles, several large operators characterizing it as one of the worst months of their experience.

There were no important rate changes except in sugar. The sugar rate to the Atlantic Coast has been set at \$6.75 per ton for a period of twelve months beginning November 1st.

This is slightly higher than last year's rate, but lower than the rate of previous years. Much of the friction that comes of having a high peak season rate with subsequent rate adjustments as the season progresses will be eliminated by the fixed rate for the year.

Cargo movement to Europe is very slow. Hemp has fallen off to an even greater extent than last month. Likewise copra cake has moved in very small quantities.

The Japan service, which has been the only service to hold up, is now sharing the general depression in common with all other services.

Hemp has slipped badly and there is virtually no movement of lumber.

With the sugar season over the Atlantic service is experiencing very light cargo movement. Hemp and copra are moving in very small quantities. Tobacco, which has held up fairly well until recently, has fallen off to some extent with the exception of the single item of cigars, which are moving in fair volume as they always do at this season in preparation for Christmas distribution. Some coconut oil has moved during the month in fulfillment of old engagements. There are a number of old contracts yet to move, but there does not seem to be any new business in evidence.

The Kokusai Kisen Kaisha have added two 468 foot motor vessels to their fleet. These vessels, the *Kirishima Maru* and the *Katsuragi Maru* are sister ships, each equipped with 6,000 horsepower motors and capable of 15 knots sea speed. It is understood they will be placed on the New York-Japan-Philippine route via Panama Canal.

Conditions on the Pacific Coast berth are most unsatisfactory. While there has been a small movement of general cargo, one of the largest shippers of refined sugar is through for the season. Lumber, copra and hemp have moved very slowly. Desiccated coconut is being shipped in fair volume. However, stocks are reported to be quite heavy in the United

"This stuff is 30 years old!"

"Those were the days, aren't they?"



Judge Jr. wandered into the club one night and found two cronies reminiscing on the past—and the joys of good liquor.

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States and there is the prospect that one manufacturer at least will shut down again shortly.

From statistics compiled by the Associated Steamship Lines, there were exported during the month of June, 1931, from the Philippines to—

	Tons	Misc. Sailings	Tons	American Sailings
China and Japan.....	16,748	with 51 of which	5,592	carried in American bottoms 11
Pacific Coast Local Delivery..	13,069	with 18 of which	8,672	carried in American bottoms 9
Pacific Coast Overland.....	435	with 10 of which	244	carried in American bottoms 5
Pacific Coast Inter-Coastal...	1,123	with 10 of which	1,062	carried in American bottoms 7
Atlantic Coast.....	80,776	with 21 of which	20,879	carried in American bottoms 8
European Ports.....	19,375	with 21 of which	49	carried in American bottoms 2
Australian Ports.....	316	with 4 of which	—	carried in American bottoms None
TOTAL.....	131,842	with 82 of which	36,498	carried in American bottoms 16

Passenger traffic is fairly active. Of outstanding interest is the summer tourist movement from the United States, both the Canadian Pacific and Dollar Steamship Lines having brought a number of tour parties during the period under review. This is the first year that American tourists have been interested to any great extent in summer tours to the Orient, and it undoubtedly indicates an increasing interest on the part of tourists in Japan, China and the Philippines. This may be considered a result of the excellent efforts of the Philippine Tourist Association, Japan Tourist Associations and the steamship companies to interest travellers formerly going to Europe in the Oriental trip.

Steerage traffic is at a very low ebb, few independent Filipinos departing for the United States. With the end of the summer close at hand the small movement which now exists will taper off rapidly until the beginning of next


year. The following figures show the number of passengers departing from the Philippine Islands during the month of July, 1931, (first figure represents first class, second figure second class.

	1st Class	2nd Class
China and Japan.....	140	119 295
Honolulu.....	27	4 781
Pacific Coast.....	125	26 236
Singapore and Straits Settlements..	16	— —
Mediterranean Ports.....	27	— —
Europe via America.....	1	3 —

(Complete figures covering Mediterranean Ports not available at time of going to press.)

The steamship *President Hoover*, newest addition to the ever increasing fleet of the Dollar Steamship Lines, was most enthusiastically received on entering New York harbor after successful completion of her trial runs. Great crowds thronged the ship when she was thrown open for exhibition. The *President Hoover* is the largest commercial ship ever built in an American shipyard, and the largest electrically driven ship in existence. She is due in Manila at the end of September.

Mr. W. K. Garrett, Iloilo Agent of The Robert Dollar Co., returned on the s. s. *President Grant*, July 30th, from five months home leave.



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<i>Pres. Jefferson - Oct. 1</i>
<i>Pres. Madison - Oct. 15</i>
<i>Pres. Cleveland - Oct. 29</i>
<i>Pres. Taft - - - Nov. 12</i>
<i>Pres. Jefferson - Nov. 26</i>

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China-Japan, Honolulu San Francisco Panama Canal	Suez Canal and Europe
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<i>Pres. Pierce - - - Aug. 29</i>	<i>Pres. Hayes - - - Sept. 9</i>
<i>Pres. Wilson - - - Sept. 12</i>	<i>Pres. Fillmore - Sept. 23</i>
<i>Pres. Hoover - - - Sept. 26</i>	<i>Pres. Monroe - - Oct. 7</i>
<i>Pres. Jackson - - Oct. 10</i>	<i>Pres. Van Buren Oct. 21</i>
<i>Pres. McKinley - Oct. 24</i>	<i>Pres. Garfield - - Nov. 4</i>
<i>Pres. Grant - - - Nov. 7</i>	<i>Pres. Polk - - - - Nov. 18</i>
	<i>Pres. Adams - - - Dec. 2</i>

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