entire period under review. With the hemp market weak in both the U. S. and U. K., it is hopeless to expect that Japan will show any

MAGUEY:—There was very little change in this market, the ruling price being \$\mathbb{P}\$13.4 for Cebu No. 2 and \$\mathbb{P}\$11.6 for Cebu No. 3. These prices prevailed until the end of the month when the prices declined in sympathy with the hemp market, No. 2 closing at P12.75 and No. 3 at P11. There has been a very limited demand during the month for Maguey

PRODUCTION:—As mentioned in our report last month, there was a decided falling off in the receipts for July and the balings were only 117,458 bales. The receipts during the month of August were heavier than expected and all indications are that they will continue heavy.

FREIGHT RATES:—There is no change in rates on hemp since last report.

STATISTICS:—The figures below are for the

period ending September 2nd, 1929:

Manila Hemp On hand January 1st Receipts to date	1929 Bales 170,301 1,121,541	1928 Bales 139,624 917,627
	1,291,842	1,057,251
Shipments to— U. K Continent U. S Japan All Others.	$\begin{array}{c} 1929 \\ Bales \\ 239,532 \\ 121,561 \\ 397,729 \\ 251,625 \\ 52,451 \end{array}$	1928 Bales 224,891 136,169 238,827 217,913 74,620
	1,062,898	892,420

COPRA AND ITS PRODUCTS By E. A. SEIDENSPINNER

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COPRA. - With the heavy arrivals of copra during the month of August, the local market weakened considerably after August 15th, after having advanced approximately 25 centavos per picul over July's closing figures, during the first days of August. Local are displaying indifference tomills much

ward heavy contracts at present levels in anticipation of still lower prices. However, with export markets maintained at 25 to 50 centavos over the Manila parity, we cannot see materially lower prices during the coming month. Total arrivals at Manila during August were 482,110 bags as compared with 596,005 bags for the same month of 1928. Latest cable advices follow:

San Francisco, f.m.m......\$.04—\$.04-1/8
London, Cebu sundried £22-5-0
F. m. m......£22-0-0
Manila, buen corriente... ₱ 8.50 to ₱ 8.75
Arrival resecada. ₱ 9.75 to ₱10.00

COCONUT OIL.—Trading in coconut oil in the U.S. market has been comparatively light for the month under review with buyers displaying little interest in nearby shipment and quoting considerably lower prices for futures. While in the main sellers' asking prices for late 1929 delivery on the West Coast were maintained at 61% cents, sales of peoply were quoted at 65%. cents. The Atlantic Coast market was still reported 6¾ cents with buyers indicating 65% cents. While coconut oil is comparatively cheap, as compared with Competing Fats and Oils, the June 30th carry-over was much above figures for 1928. This, together with a fair amount of selling pressure, does not seem to indicate substantially higher prices for the balance of the year. Latest cable as follows:

New York.....\$.0634 c.i.f. Nominal San Francisco...\$.061/2 f.o.b. futures; \$.065/16 f.o.b. nearby Manila..... ₱.31 per kilo in drums

REAL ESTATE By P. D. CARMAN San Juan Heights Addition



While August sales are considerably larger than in any year since 1919 excepting 1925 and 1928, there is a decrease of over a million pesos between August of this vear and last vear's August total which was ₱2,327,**8**36.

	Sales City of Manila	
	July 1929	Aug. 1929
Sta. Cruz	₱ 249,923	₱ 342,518
Binondo	16,500	84,618
San Nicolas	406,278	56,000
Tondo	21,720	293,658
Sampaloc	88,033	61,580
Quiapo	10,500	
Intramuros	16,000	35,000
Ermita	121,500	68,068
Malate	142,381	101,347
Paco	23,047	159,822
Sta. Ana	20,001	33,436
Pandacan	1,809	2,220
Sta. Mesa		19,010
San Miguel		1,000

₱1,117,692 ₱1,258,277

COPRA CAKE.—The Continental market for copra cake was well maintained during the early days of August, but during the last half of the month, there was an appreciable decrease in the part of resellers. From an August high of £8-18-0 c.i.f. Hamburg, bids dropped to £8-10-0 September-October shipment but were later increased to £8-13-9 at which figure business

has been reported today. Trading during the month has not been heavy as local mills have been withholding sales in anticipation of higher prices. Latest quotations as follows:

Hamburg, £8-13-9; San Francisco, No quotation; Manila, ₱62.00 to ₱63.00 per metric ton ex go-down buyers.

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