

## SHIPPING REVIEW

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Exports for December amounted to 170,254 revenue tons, a slight increase over the preceding month. Shipments of sugar amounted to 30,747 tons, all to the United States except 404 tons to China. Of the coconut products, copra and oil show increases, and desiccated coconut and cake and meal show

decreases, the difference of 9000 tons being in favor of December. 20,000 tons of coconut oil went to the United States, and 315 tons to Europe. Copra shipments to the United States increased 1300 tons, and to Europe increased 5000 tons, a total of 24,000 tons moved. Cake and meal shipments decreased 500 tons, each market taking about the same proportion as in November. Desiccated Coconut shows a decrease of 230 tons, the total shipments being 3252 tons. Hemp gain 6000 bales. Europe took 9500 more than in November, Japan 2800 more, Australia took 4106 bales, an increase of 2725 as compared to November, but the United States trade shows a distinct shrinkage amounting to 8057 bales. Other markets are for small quantities only and show slightly decreased movements. Lumber and logs show the largest increase during the month, a total of ten and a half million feet having gone forward, almost double that of October and a gain of four million feet over November. The United States took only one and a half million feet, but shipments increased to China 270,000 feet, to Japan 4,500,000 feet, to Europe 120,000 feet, and to Australia 18,000 feet. To Africa practically the same amount went forward both months. Iron ore shipments to Japan are very well established as a steady movement. A trial shipment of rock asphalt moved to Singapore. No shipments of bulk molasses were made. Small increases are noted in tobacco, embroideries, gums, tanning extract, and vegetable lard, and decreases in cigars, furniture, and rope.

Taking everything into consideration, the month's business was fairly satisfactory. Excepting sugar, the year 1935 shows an increased movement of all commodities amounting to 149,412 revenue tons, an average of 12,451 tons per month.

First class and intermediate class passenger traffic from the Philippine Islands declined heavily during December 1935, as compared with the previous month, and even more heavily in comparison with December 1934, as will be noted from the figures shown below:

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China . . . . .	56	63	157
Honolulu . . . . .	0	1	4
Pacific Coast . . . . .	16	29	6
Europe via America . . . . .	0	0	0
Straits Settlements and Dutch East Indies . . . . .	10	1	13
Europe and Mediterranean Ports beyond Colombo . . . . .	29	6	3
Australia . . . . .	3	1	0
America via Suez . . . . .	6	0	0
Total for December, 1935 . . . . .	120	101	183
Total for November, 1935 . . . . .	182	135	167
Total for December, 1934 . . . . .	229	156	151

From statistics compiled by the Associated Steamship Lines, during the month of December there were exported from the Philippine Islands the following:

To	Tons	With Miscellaneous Sailings	Of Which Tons	Were Carried in American Bottoms With Sailings
China and Japan . . . . .	57,211	39	795	6
Pacific Coast Local Delivery . . . . .	24,265	14	14,850	7
Pacific Coast Overland Delivery . . . . .	983	9	419	5
Pacific Coast Intercoastal . . . . .	2,162	6	2,157	6
Atlantic and Gulf . . . . .	58,035	25	21,304	8
European Ports . . . . .	25,753	19	268	2
All Other Ports . . . . .	1,845	33	298	6

A GRAND TOTAL of 170,254 tons with a total of 79 sailings (average 2,155 tons per vessel) of which 40,091 tons were carried in American bottoms with 12 sailings (average 3,342 tons per vessel).

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