

HAWAII SERVED BY BIG MODERN STEAMSHIP LINES

Great Transpacific Liners Affording Every Comfort Bring Tourists Here From Pacific Coast and Asian Ports

VOYAGE TO ISLANDS IS ONE OF MANY DELIGHTS

Sunny Seas and Fair Winds Make Trip a Pleasure—Ocean Travel With Every Convenience of Most Modern Steamers—Inter-island Trips Are Many and Enjoyable

Hawaii is blessed with ample transportation facilities, three lines of steamships touching at Honolulu and Hilo, one being a direct service and the others continuing on from San Francisco, Seattle, Portland, Victoria and Vancouver, to the land of the Southern Cross. Incidentally Uncle Sam sends a transport each way across the Pacific each month, touching at Honolulu en route to the Philippines and en route to the mainland.

The Pacific Mail Steamship Company, its route known as the "Sunshine Belt to the Orient," makes Honolulu its one point of call en route and it is here that the passengers to and from the Orient and the United States are given an opportunity to see the "Peaceful Pacific Isles."

The Oceanic Steamship Company, also known as the "Sydney Short Line," operates between San Francisco, Hawaii, Samoa and Australia, besides running the San Francisco-Honolulu "ferry boat," the Sierra. The Matsun Navigation Company, operating between San Francisco, the Northwest and Honolulu, attends to a large portion of the freight business between the mainland and Hawaii, its vessels touching at several points besides Honolulu. Incidentally this company operates to Australia in conjunction with the Canadian-Australasian line. Besides its excellently appointed liners the Matsun company boasts several trim little sailing vessels, plying between Honolulu and San Francisco.

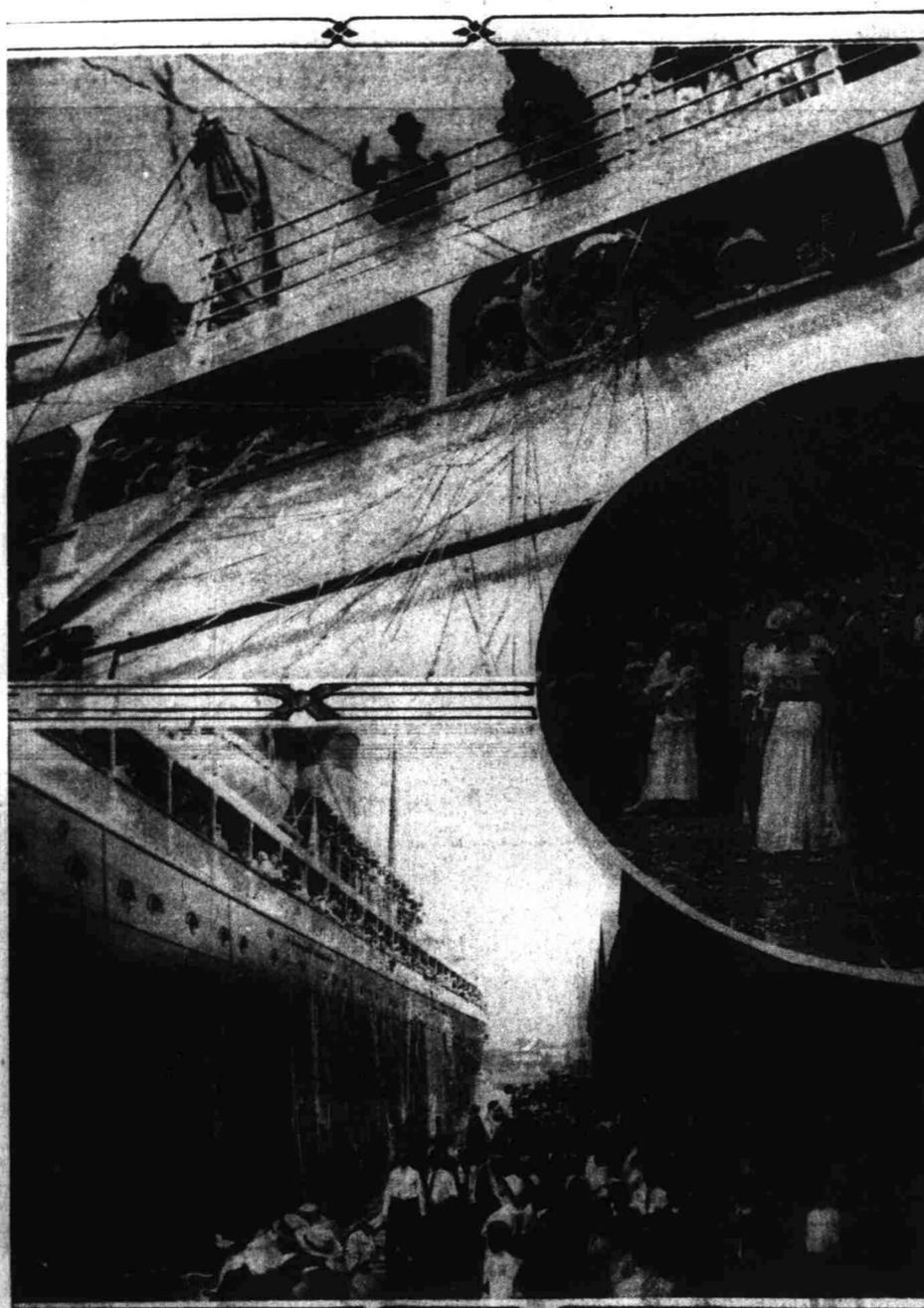
The Togo Kisen Kaisha operates a fast and handsome fleet of steamers between San Francisco and the Asian coast. Federal regulations prevent these foreign vessels from carrying passengers only between United States ports, and the traveler who intends to go no further than Hawaii cannot take passage on the Japanese steamers, but for "through" traffic, between San Francisco and the Orient, this line offers the opportunity of a stop-over at Hawaii.

Steamers for Mexican and South American ports also touch frequently at Honolulu.

Local shipping and passenger business between the various islands of the group is ably handled by the Inter-Island Steam Navigation Company, whose fleet of vessels are specially suited to the work they are called upon to handle. A frequent freight and passenger schedule is maintained and but a few hours are consumed in making trips from Honolulu to the farthest points in the islands.

The voyage across the broad Pacific, no matter on which line it is taken, is one of enjoyment. The finest cuisine and service is offered by all, the competition of the different companies being along friendly lines and in the interest of the traveler. After a half-dozen delightful days spent upon the waters of the coast of Oahu rises to view. Koko Head with its lighthouse and the telephone station, from which point the ship is sighted, the news of the arrival being sent to

"Aloha" for the Departing Visitor: How Hawaii Bids its Friends a Picturesque Farewell



Hawaii bids farewell to departing friends with a picture of the Hawaiian Islands. Large crowds gather on the docks to see the steamers sailing for the Pacific coast or the Orient and the characteristic Hawaiian custom of bidding departing friends with leis—wreaths of bright-colored flowers—is never lacking in gaiety and sincere sentiment. Often the passengers as they ascend the gangplank are fairly buried in masses of flowers. A pretty custom has

grown up of throwing brilliant-colored streamers of paper ribbon from the ship's deck below and often as the hour for sailing approaches, the side of the ship is a labyrinth of these ribbons. The Hawaiian band plays at the departure of steamers and altogether the scene is striking and attractive. One of the pleasant features of tourist life in Hawaii is that even the casual visitor makes hosts of friends. Hawaii is proverbially hospitable and warm-hearted and does not hesitate to show it

every point of interest—and they are legion—throughout the entire group. The expense is small and the pleasure is inestimable.

The fleet of the Pacific Mail, the first quartet of which is designated as "The Big Four," consists of:

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| S. S. Mongolia | 27,000 tons |
| S. S. Manchuria | 27,000 " |
| S. S. Korea | 18,000 " |
| S. S. Siberia | 18,000 " |
| S. S. China | 10,200 " |
| S. S. Persia | 9,000 " |
| S. S. Nile | 11,000 " |

The Oceanic Steamship Company boasts of three fine ships and cooperates with numerous other fleets in world-travel. The Oceanic liners are:

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| S. S. Sonoma | 10,000 tons |
| S. S. Ventura | 10,000 " |
| S. S. Sierra | 10,000 " |

The Matsun Navigation Company's fleet includes:

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| S. S. Matsonia | 17,000 tons |
| S. S. Manoa | 13,000 " |
| S. S. Wilhelmina | 13,250 " |
| S. S. Lurline | 13,900 " |
| Andrew Welch (sailer) | 1,000 " |
| R. P. Rithet (sailer) | 1,000 " |

The Inter-Island. Making regular trips in the service of the Inter-island company are the following vessels:

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| S. S. Mauna Kea, Kilauea, Claudine, Kinau, W. G. Hall, Mikahala, Likelike, Maui and Mauna Loa. |
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Dr. L. E. Cofer, assistant surgeon general U. S. marine hospital service, said about Hawaii: "I believe the influences in Hawaii offer the least resistance to bodily well-being of any of the well-known health resorts of the world."

Honolulu, and Diamond Head with its lofty summit and graceful outline, familiar in all the pictures of the island capital. The spectacle of the forest of masts that crowd the harbor will be a surprise, for there lie at anchor almost every known variety of craft, from the armored cruiser with the Stars and Stripes, the Union Jack, or the flag of the kaiser floating in the breeze; the great mail steamers taking on coal and provisions, the full-rigged ship and barkentine, while amongst these greater vessels puffing launches, white-sailed yachts, and the picturesque native boats with their curved outriggers swiftly make their way.

As the ship crawls slowly to the deck, brown-skinned Hawaiian boys, chattering like magpies, clad in the briefest trunks, swim out through the blue water, showing their willingness to dive for any stray coins that may

be tossed overboard. The rivalry is energetic, accompanied by shrieks of laughter, the successful swimmer rising to the surface with the coin in his mouth for safe keeping. The tourist who expects to make a lengthy stay finds ready for his entertainment all manner of accommodations.

SIDE TRIP TO KILAUEA. The side trip from Honolulu to Mauna Kea, the largest active crater in the world, should be made by everyone who visits the Hawaiian Islands. A short time ago a traveler wrote the following in the volcano book: "Kilauea, what do I think of it? What do I think of eternity? Of the unspeakable and supreme which spell the formation of all that is? Is there an alphabet of the universe? From what source shall I draw language to describe the indescribable? Is it enough simply and

1915 CARNIVAL IN HEIGHT OF TOURIST SEASON

Hawaii's Annual Festival Will Be Held as Planned Before War-Clouds Arose, Postponing Many Mainland Celebrations

WEEK OF GAY REVELRY, FROM FEBRUARY 20 TO 27

Military Parades, Hawaiian Pageants and Tableaux, Tournaments, Flower Shows, Outdoor Sports, Championship Swimming, Balls and Pyrotechnics on the Program

The 1915 Mid-Pacific Carnival, Hawaii's annual celebration of Washington's birthday held for the entertainment of both tourists and residents of the islands, will be held in Honolulu February 20, to 27, inclusive.

This year's carnival will excel all former local projects of its kind from a standpoint of completeness and novelty, may be seen from the unusually large program of events which has been prepared by Director-general James D. Dougherty, and which includes many new and unique features which never before have been given a test before a Honolulu public.

Tourists visiting Honolulu in February of next year will, through the medium of the carnival, be as thoroughly entertained as they would were they visiting the New Orleans Mardi Gras or the Portland (Ore.) rose festival. Through the efforts of the Promotion Committee, an early start has been made toward advertising the carnival on the mainland, the posters, mailing cards, postal cards and stickers, each bearing the attractive design selected by the committee, having been completed more than two months ago.

Today, the carnival posters are being displayed by every large steamship and railway company, hotel company and tourist bureau on the mainland and in Canada and Australia. Hundreds of letters have been received by the Promotion Committee acknowledging receipt of these posters, each stating that the lithographs have been placed in conspicuous places where they will easily attract the attention of the public.

SOME FEATURES. Following are just a few of the features which are included in the program for the 1915 carnival:

Hawaiian pageant, depicting some interesting phase of the islands' history.

Eruption of Punchbowl, a pyrotechnical spectacle with a natural setting which probably could not be equalled anywhere but in Hawaii.

MILITARY FEATURES. Military parade and tournament, participated in by Uncle Sam's 9000 soldiers stationed on Oahu.

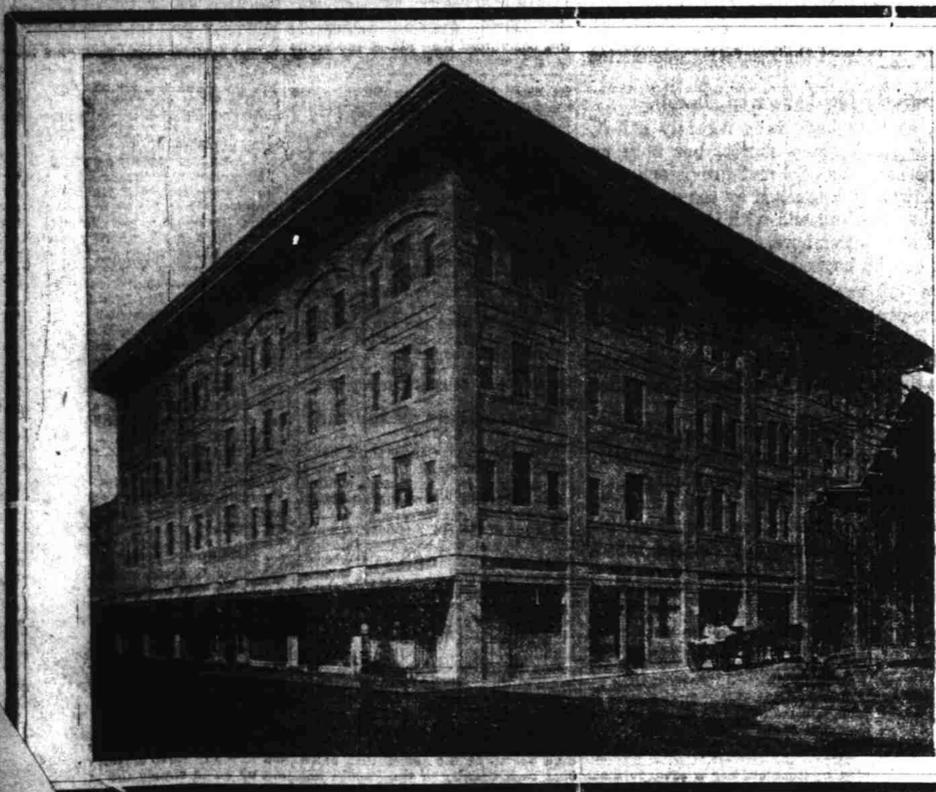
Automobile parade, in which hundreds of machines, decorated with flowers, will be seen in line.

Japanese lantern parade, the Nipponese community's contribution to the celebration and a spectacle which cannot be duplicated in attractiveness and uniqueness.

Circus Comique, with its "big top" and numerous sideshows, including the village of nations, the latest carnival feature.

SPORTS Baseball, and plenty of it; this is as popular a sport in Hawaii as on the mainland, and during the carnival Hawaiian, Japanese, Chinese, Portuguese and American teams will be seen in action.

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