

## COFFEE DESTRUCTION IN BRAZIL

Figures compiled by the New York Coffee  
and Sugar Exchange

(In bags of 132 lbs.)

	June, 1931	Jan. 1, 1934	Jan. 1, 1935	Total to Oct. 15, 1935
Dec. 31, 1933	25,842,000	8,266,000	1,312,000	*35,420,000
Totals	25,842,000	8,266,000	1,312,000	*35,420,000

\* Not including 479,000 destroyed prior to June, 1931, by São Paulo Coffee Institute.

ment intends to do, or has already done, in regard to the 4 million bags of coffee which were supposed to be bought up and destroyed this season. Such a state of affairs may be very pleasant for those on the inside, but it does not help business.

Estimates for the present Santos crop have been reduced from 12 to 10 million bags, but as far as we can see, without conviction. We are told that the next São Paulo crop, primarily believed to be large, is now estimated at only from 12 to 14 million bags, or about 5 million bags in excess of requirements.

The question as to how to dispose of the new incoming mild crop, is a real cause for concern. These coffees have been very heavy at times.

On the bullish side, as already pointed out, Brazil, during the past few months, has given proof of an almost surprising power of resistance. It is all very well to show by figures in hand that the market should decline, but one cannot force a man to sell if he doesn't want to. Brazil knows that to reduce her prices voluntarily would probably not help her sell one bag of coffee more than she would otherwise, but would further endanger her trade balance, which is none too good now. Favorable results brought about by the exportation of cotton and other commodities, have been highly encouraging. While formerly Brazil was dependent upon the goodwill of foreign buyers, and on foreign finance, conditions have now changed and she has emancipated herself. She is doing her own financing, and although some of her methods may appear to the old world as pure heresies, the fact remains, nevertheless, that she will do only what suits her. She is only concerned with prices, leaving everything else to take care of itself, crops and creditors included.

Otherwise, there seems to be little doubt that the glamour has worn off coffee. Too much was expected of it, and our Brazilian friends are now talking almost entirely of their new love—cotton. At a rather inconvenient time, by the way, as many plantations, especially where mild coffees are produced, have attained an age where they need particular care, which, in many cases, they no longer get—if for no other reason than that a great deal of labor has now been detracted from coffee plantations to the cultivation of cotton.

The new Salvador crop is expected to be slightly smaller than last season—that is, about 725,000 bags against 750,000 bags.

The new Haiti crop is still estimated at 450,000 bags. It is shown in moving, as important crops often are. Heavy rainfalls have recently cost the lives of some 1,000 persons, especially in the South, but we understand that only the banana plantations have suffered and there has been little or no damage to the coffee crop.

## U. S. COFFEE-TEA IMPORTS AND EXPORTS, AUGUST, 1935

From preliminary statistics compiled by the United States  
Department of Commerce, Washington.

### COFFEE

Countries	Imports Pounds	Exports Pounds
Belgium	.....	10,736
Denmark	.....	15,226
Finland	.....	32,226
France	.....	52,567
Germany	.....	30,499
Netherlands	41,630	33,027
Norway	.....	50,416
Portugal	139,177	.....
Sweden	.....	7,004
United Kingdom	359,758	81,551
Canada	57,790	.....
Costa Rica	596,504	.....
Guatemala	705,331	.....
Honduras	18,290	.....
Nicaragua	591,903	.....
Panama	11,570	22,404
Salvador	1,102,837	.....
Mexico	1,829,954	.....
Trinidad and Tobago	31,200	.....
Other British West Indies	.....	2,620
Cuba	14,500	.....
Dominican Republic	4,750	.....
French West Indies	.....	3,168
Haiti, Republic of	3,564	.....
Brazil	82,609,823	5,864
Chile	.....	.....
Colombia	29,960,674	.....
Ecuador	562,488	.....
Surinam	801,165	.....
Venezuela	2,737,340	.....
Aden	333,600	.....
Saudi Arabia	16,800	.....
Netherland India	234,760	.....
Japan	.....	13,500
Australia	.....	14,660
Ethiopia	25,200	.....
British East Africa	1,633,844	.....
Other French Africa	17,637	.....
Other countries	330	96
Total pounds	124,442,439	405,657

### TEA

Actual entries during month, which may include ship-  
ments not inspected by U. S. Tea Examiners.

Countries	Imports Pounds	Exports Pounds
Netherlands	216,440	145
Switzerland	.....	1,104
United Kingdom	805,313	39,161
Canada	15,117	2,959
Honduras	.....	11,130
Panama	.....	4,949
Mexico	.....	5,573
Cuba	.....	478
Netherland West Indies	.....	1,530
Ecuador	.....	411
Peru	.....	3,420
Venezuela	.....	1,391
British India	89,263	.....
Ceylon	1,519,293	.....
China	313,816	.....
Netherland India	1,668,604	.....
Hong Kong	50,615	1,080
Japan	1,844,328	.....
Other countries	.....	2,496
Total pounds	6,520,789	65,827