parts of California. There are over thirty of these common carrier-truck lines which are becoming increasingly important in linking San Francisco with its trade territory. There are also a dozen or more inter-state truck lines radiating to points in all neighboring states. These lines operate under the Railroad Commission of California and the Inter-state Commerce Commission. Passenger bus lines are operated out of San Francisco to all important points in the eleven western states.

Three modern air terminals are located in the San Francisco Bay area within thirty minutes from the business district of the city. The **Alameda Airport** is the focal point of transcontinental services north and south. It is also the eastern terminus for the famous "Clipper Ships", providing service to and from the Hawaiian Islands, Philippine Islands, and the Orient; service to and from Australia and New Zealand is in process of development.

From a transportation standpoint, San Francisco is outstanding in the matter of ocean-borne traffic. The United States Board of Engineers for Rivers and Harbors is responsible for the statement that, "San Francisco Bay is the best harbor on the Pacific Coast and one of the finest in the world. The large deep-water area and great amount of shore line offer unlimited opportunities for terminal and industrial water-front development". The 1936 annual report of the United States Army Chief of Engineers shows that San Francisco ranks second in value of water-borne commerce of all ports in the United States, being exceeded in this respect only by New York.

The **Port of San Francisco equals the combined water-borne tonnage and value of cargoes of the next two largest Pacific Coast ports.**

Sixty steamship lines operate between San Francisco and foreign ports. There is an average of forty sailings per month to Atlantic and Gulf Coast points, providing rates which bring San Francisco, from standpoint of costs, as close to them as Chicago and Northern Mississippi Valley points.

Fifteen sailings per month are provided to the Hawaiian Islands.

Regular schedules are maintained by inland water carriers to points on the "Bay" and up the Sacramento River as far as the City of Sacramento and up the