



USS *Sturgeon*

The *Montevideo Maru* was sighted by the American submarine USS *Sturgeon* off the Philippine island of Luzon on 30 June 1942.

The *Sturgeon* pursued, but was unable to fire, as the target was traveling too fast. However, it slowed at midnight; according to crewman Yosiaki Yamaji, it was to rendezvous with an escort of two destroyers.

Rabual

845 Prisoners of war and 208 civilian internees, embarked on 22 June 1942 for Japanese-occupied Hainan on the *Montevideo Maru*.

Sinking

On 1 July 1942 this vessel, which was not marked as a prisoner of war carrier, was torpedoed and sunk by the submarine USS *Sturgeon* off the Philippine island of Luzon, resulting in the deaths of all prisoners and internees on board.

