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Attempt to Float Luckenbach Fails

An attempt to float the freighter F. J. Luckenbach, grounded off Belmar by Tuesday's storm, failed last night, when a tug sought to pull the vessel free at high tide.

The tanker James L. Richards, however, was pulled off a shoal yesterday afternoon. She was beached three miles off Brigantine Beach, just north of Atlantic City, by another storm Thursday.

Third Naval District authorities at New York said the Luckenbach operations were undertaken between 10 and 11 P. M. Another effort to float the boat will be made at high tide today, the Navy said. The breeches buoy has been removed, it was said, and shore-to-boat transportation is being undertaken by dory in charge of Coast Guardsmen out of the Shark River station.

The Navy said the James Longstreet, another of the four ships grounded in Tuesday's storm, still is deep in seven feet of sand off Sandy Hook. Welding of amidship cracks is continuing.

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