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BELMAR, N.J.--A 10,000 TON FREIGHTER WENT AGROUND ABOUT 150 FEET OFF BELMAR BEACH EARLY TODAY AND ITS CREW WAS BEING BROUGHT ASHORE BY COAST GUARDSMEN.

SHORTLY AFTER 5 A.M., A POLICE OFFICER PATROLLING IN A RADIO CAR NOTICED FLARES FROM THE SHIP AND NOTIFIED ARMY HEADQUARTERS.

AS THE OFFICER WATCHED, THE FLARES CAME CLOSER TO THE SHORE AND A SHORT TIME LATER THE STRICKEN VESSEL WAS GROUNDED.

CROWDS THROGGED THE BEACH WATCHING THE COAST GUARDSMEN REMOVE THE CREW BY MEANS OF BREEKCHES BUOYS.

AT THIRD NAVAL DISTRICT PUBLIC RELATIONS OFFICE IN NEW YORK, IT WAS SAID THE FREIGHTER HAD GONE AGROUND, BUT THAT NO FURTHER DETAILS WERE IMMEDIATELY AVAILABLE.

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~~Capt.~~ ~~Paul~~ J.P. ps HL
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