

M.S. "HELGA SMITH"

This ship is reported in today's Lloyd's List as having sunk off Newfoundland due to flooding of the engine room because of a fracture, previously reported, in the shell plating.

The crew have been taken off and are to be landed at Argentia, Newfoundland.

In view of the ship's recent history of shell and deck fractures it is considered that the Society's Surveyor at St. John's, Newfoundland be asked to obtain all possible information on the circumstances of the casualty. It is proposed to send the following full rate cablegram to him:-

MOTORSHIP HELGA SMITH CASUALTY ENDEAVOUR
OBTAIN CIRCUMSPECTLY FULL INFORMATION
REGARDING REPORTED FRACTURE SHELL PLATING
ENGINE ROOM OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES
LEADING TO SINKING.

Mr. Forsyth at Montreal should be informed, by letter, of the action taken.

Wm

24th April, 1963.

[Signature]

Please return papers after action.



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