

Wreck Report No. 13999 (13993)

WRECK SECTION REPORT OF TOTAL LOSS, CASUALTY, &c.

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Ship's Name s.s. "NEDJAN" No. of Simrishamn Tons Gross 883 Net 487 Built at Greenock When 1893 11 Casualty notice sent to Owner 8.2.54. Owner's reply 10.2.54.

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Classification details

Table with classification details: 100A1, 7,53, ssSbg. 4th No. 3-3,44, ssSbg. -2,52, LMC2,52, BS3,53, NDB 07

casualty 9th January, 1954.

casualty

This ship foundered in the Bay of Gefle after reporting that she was drifting helplessly with a smashed rudder in a snowstorm.

The Owners concur.

SOURCE OF INFORMATION

NEDJAN.—Wick Radio, Jan. 10.—Following received from Hernosand Radio: At 6 37 a.m., G.M.T., addressed XXX (urgency signal): Ships in area of Finngrundet Light-vessel, Grundkallen Light-vessel, Gefle and Soderhamn, keep sharp look out for steamer Nedjan, SFQE, or survivors. At 11 5 a.m., G.M.T.: Swedish steamer Nedjan, SFQE, has been lost this night. At 9 15 a.m., G.M.T., have plenty of wreckage (jammed) in position lat. 60 49 N., long. 17 38 E. All ships in vicinity please keep sharp look-out after (jammed).

Stockholm, Jan. 10.—Aircraft and lifeboats searched in the Gulf of Bothnia to-day for the Swedish steamer Nedjan which last night radioed for help after damage to her rudder. The ship, with 16 men on board, was believed to be drifting helplessly towards the rocks off Eggegrund. A search plane reported by radio having sighted an upturned lifeboat with a white hull and a number of planks floating in the sea. They were seen south-east of Eggegrund Lighthouse, in the Bay of Gefle. All lifeboats were at once directed towards the area. Distress signals came from the vessel last night at the height of a gale of nearly hurricane force with blinding snow. Just after midnight the ship's radio went silent.—Reuter.

Hernosand, Jan. 10.—Swedish steamer Nedjan total loss outside Eggegrund last night; crew lost.

Stockholm, Jan. 10.—The Swedish steamer Nedjan, with 16 crew on board, was presumed sunk in the Gulf of Bothnia to-day after reporting that she was drifting helplessly with a smashed rudder. Fishermen searching the rocky coastline for survivors recovered an unidentified body late this afternoon and parts of the steamer's deckhouse. They also found planks believed to have come from her deck cargo of 350 standards of timber.—Reuter.

NEDJAN.—Gefle, Jan. 11.—Swedish steamer Nedjan, SFQE, was wrecked with all crew on Jan. 9-10 in a gale in Gulf of Bothnia, probably east of Lofgrunds Rabbat. Wreckage, lifebuoys, &c., found north of Gardskar fishing harbour. (See issue of Jan. 11.)

Stockholm, Jan. 11.—All hope has been given up of saving the 16 men of the Swedish steamer Nedjan, which sank in rough seas off Gefle. Pieces of wreckage from the Nedjan were found on the coast south of Gefle last night. Only one body has been found.—British United Press.

NEDJAN.—Gefle, Jan. 19.—The wreck of steamer Nedjan has not yet been located. She is supposed to have sustained broken steering gear and to have quickly turned over in heavy seas. A lifeboat, hatch beams, hatch covers, wreckage from the vessel's bridge and part of the cargo of deals, battens and boards have been washed ashore between positions lat. 60 39 1 N., long. 17 34 4 E., and lat. 60 38 6 N., long. 17 38 1 E. Some of the 100 to 150 standards washed ashore are broken. (See issue of Jan. 19.)

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