

# REPORT OF TOTAL LOSS, CASUALTY, &c.

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No. 77107 in R. B. Wreck Book, p. 78/28 Date of writing this report 8<sup>th</sup> October 1928  
 Vessel's Name Steel S.S. Lygnern of Gothenburg Tons { Net 2874  
 Gross 4896  
 Built at Gumbarton When 1920 7 Casualty notice sent to Owner 2.10.28 Owner's reply attached  
 Owner's Name Federik Lieb. Transatlantisk (G. Carlsson, mgr)  
 Address Gothenburg

### SOURCE OF INFORMATION

**LYGNERN.**—Perth (W.A.), Sept. 19.—  
 Swedish steamer Lygnern, 4896 tons gross, which arrived Sept. 17, went aground Gage Roads Tuesday afternoon (Sept. 18). Sternpost broken, rudder carried away, engines out of action in consequence. Making some water. Ship's and tugs pumps working all night. Arranging to lighter cargo. Was proceeding to anchor in roads owing strike.—Lloyd's Agents.

Perth (W.A.), Sept. 19.—  
 Steamer Lygnern: Pinnacle of rock penetrating hull amidships, settled on bank 24 ft. water. All holds leaking. Cargo being lightered to enable vessel to rise above pinnacle. Salvage pumps working.

**LYGNERN.**—Perth (W.A.), Sept. 20.—  
 Steamer Lygnern: Operations suspended owing to heavy weather increasing. Nineteen feet of water in Nos. 2 and 4 holds. Three feet of water in engine-room, boilers and engines moving with motion of vessel. Position very serious.

Melbourne, Sept. 20.—  
 Swedish steamer Lygnern, which drifted ashore in Gage Roads, Fremantle, on Tuesday (Sept. 18), is holed amidships and there is ten feet of water in some of the holds. The rudder has been carried away and the propeller shaft is bent. Part of the cargo is being loaded into lighters.—Reuter.

**LYGNERN.**—Perth (W.A.), Sept. 21.—  
 Steamer Lygnern: Impossible at present to continue discharge, boilers and engines out of order, proposed place donkey boiler on board to provide steam winches as soon as the weather permits. Water in all holds reached level outside. Only timber discharged 37 standards deck cargo.—Lloyd's Agents per Salvage Association.

**LYGNERN.**—Perth (W.A.), Sept. 28.—  
 Steamer Lygnern: Cannot trace 204 standards of timber or shippers Fuglesang on manifest. Discharged in good order deck timber consigned Melbourne marked "Gronvold and Skog." Twenty thousand boxes, boards shipped by Nestles, one-third stowed 'tween deck, apparently undamaged, one-third lower hold undoubtedly wet, balance cannot trace on plan of stowage, none discharged. Operations suspended owing to weather conditions.—Lloyd's Agents per Salvage Association.

**LYGNERN.**—Gothenburg, Sept. 29.—  
 According to a telegram received by the owners from the master, the steamer Lygnern, ashore outside Fremantle, will probably be a wreck. The heavy weather and high seas of the last few days have caused the vessel to strain severely and she has now begun to crack in the middle and must be considered as lost.—"Goteborgs Handels och Sjöfarts Tidning."

Perth (W.A.), Oct. 1.  
 Steamer Lygnern: Sept. 29, 3 p.m., after part engine-room on fore side of bridge vessel is humped about 12 in. No. 3 hatch is 9 in. higher fore end than aft, in this area derrick standard foot rings angles on houses and hatches are fractured and opened quarter inch. Starboard side No. 3 hatch deck plating fractured about 13 in., rivets broken and sheared off; funnel casing engines and boilers lifted, more connections broken. Rivets on both sides upper sheer strake and forward plating also show signs of strain. In view of increased damage by recent rough weather, Captain Arundel's opinion no attempt should be made salvage hull. Probably further heavy weather will create further serious damage. No discharging possible again to-day owing heavy seas.

**LYGNERN.**—Perth (W.A.), Oct. 3.—  
 Steamer Lygnern: Lumpers refuse to work under new licence Act. In conjunction with Marine Underwriters' Association have telegraphed to Premier for permission to work regardless of Act owing to urgency of case. Vessel's condition is unaltered. Weather fine.—Lloyd's Agents per Salvage Association.

Case previously before Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Classing Committee Last Minute \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date of Casualty 18<sup>th</sup> September 1928

Precis of particulars of Casualty  
Vessel stranded in Gage Roads, Fremantle, W. A. on 18<sup>th</sup> September.  
Report dated 29<sup>th</sup> Sept. states:-  
"After part engine room on fore side of bridge vessel is humped about 12 in. No. 3 hatch is 9 in higher fore end than aft. Starboard side No. 3 hatch deck plating fractured about 13 in., rivets broken & sheared off; funnel casing engines & boilers lifted. Rivets on both sides upper sheer strake & forward plating also show signs of strain. In view of increased damage by recent rough weather, Captain Arundel's opinion no attempt should be made salvage hull"

In reply to the usual casualty notice the Owner write on 5<sup>th</sup> Oct:-  
"I am not aware of any circumstances which should render it desirable to postpone the steps suggested in your letter under reply"

*Handwritten signature and initials*

Suggested Record Wrecked 9.28  
 Date of Committee TUE. 9 OCT 1928  
 Committee's Minute Wrecked, 9.28

