

More Bodies Brought Ashore After Wreck

CAPE MAY, N. J., Jan. 8 (AP)—Coast Guard crews brought ashore additional bodies today from the sunken Navy patrol ship St. Augustine, while from infirmary cots survivors told of heroism and rescue at midnight from icy, tumbling seas.

Thirty of the dead were identified, a naval officer said, and 30 survivors of the Thursday night sinking had been listed at the Cape May Coast Guard station infirmary.

At the Admiral hotel a joint Coast Guard and Navy board of inquiry opened an investigation of the collision of the patrol craft and a merchant vessel, which the Navy has not identified. The Fourth Naval district at Philadelphia said earlier that "clear weather prevailed at the time of the accident, but both ships were blacked out."

The St. Augustine, once a \$1,250,000 pleasure yacht, sank in the Atlantic ocean 60 miles southeast of here and in the general vicinity of the sinking on Feb. 23 last year of the Navy destroyer Jacob Jones with a heavy loss of life.

Names of the St. Augustine dead will be withheld until their next of kin have been notified, the officer said.

Work of rescue crews was hindered by high seas, 38-degree water, and darkness, men at the infirmary said. But a new device recently added to naval equipment helped tremendously, they added. Red lights attached to life belts, they explained, guided Navy and Coast Guard rescuers to many men who might otherwise have been lost in the darkness.