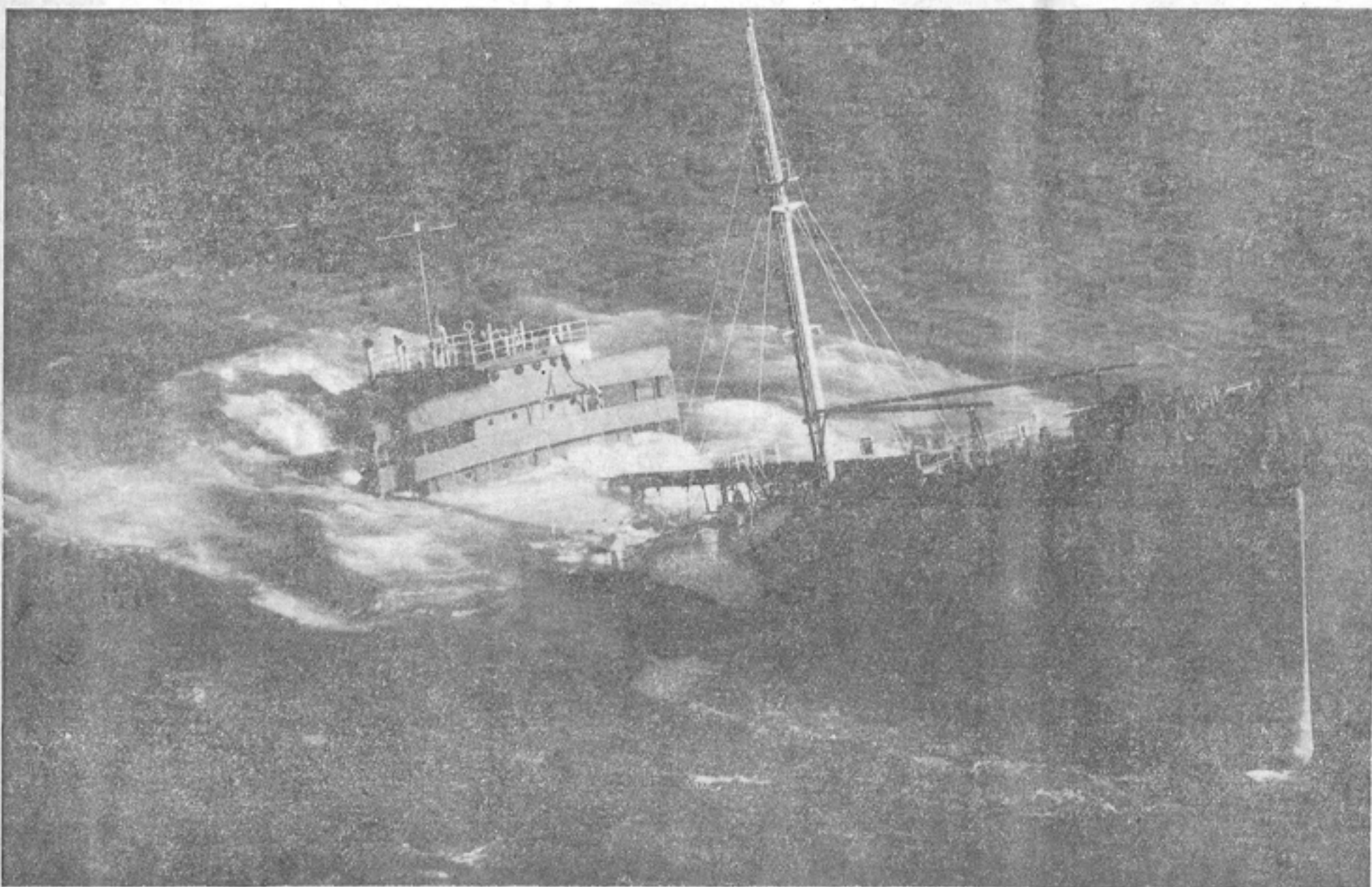
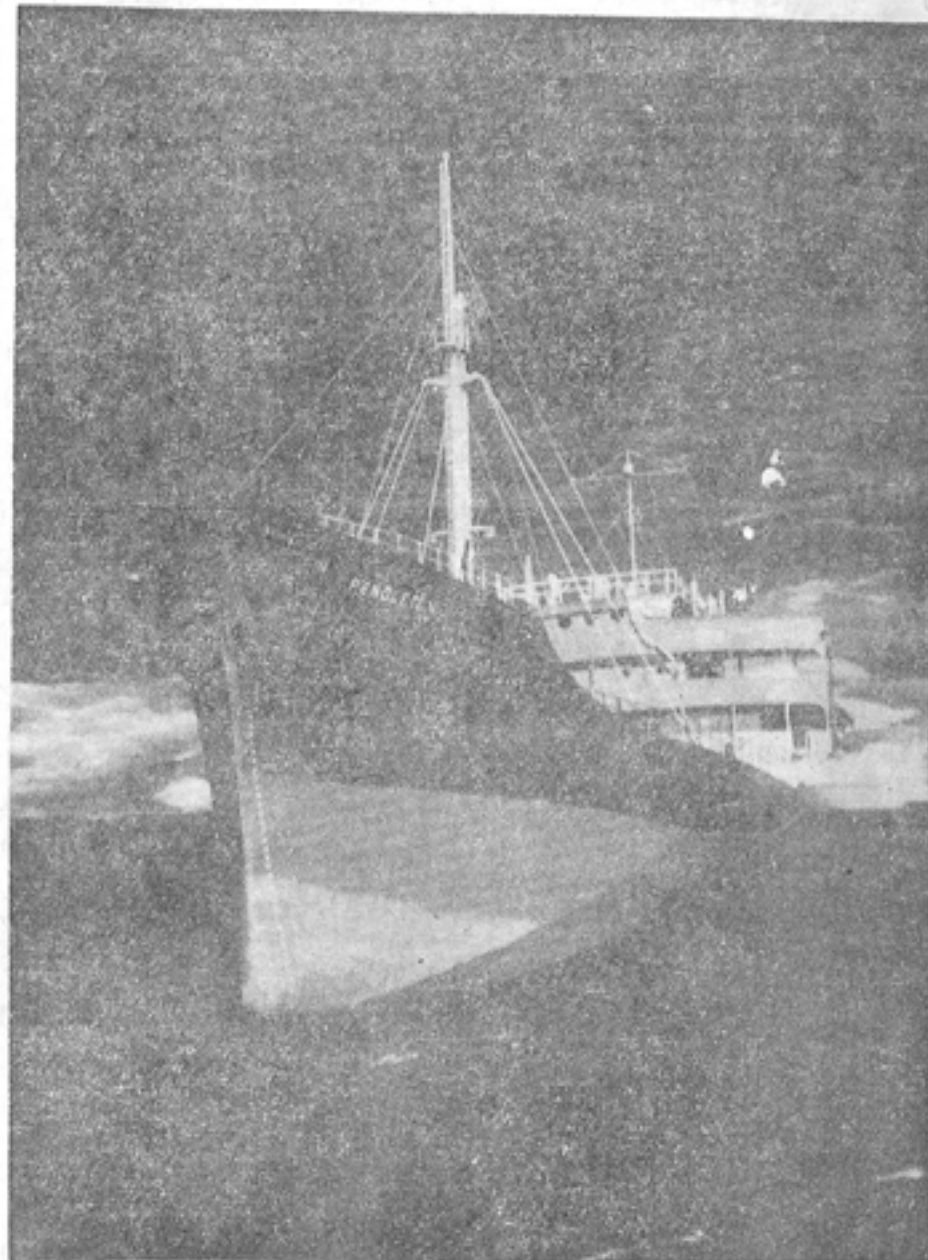


# Battered Ships, Weary Survivors Mark New Epic of Sea



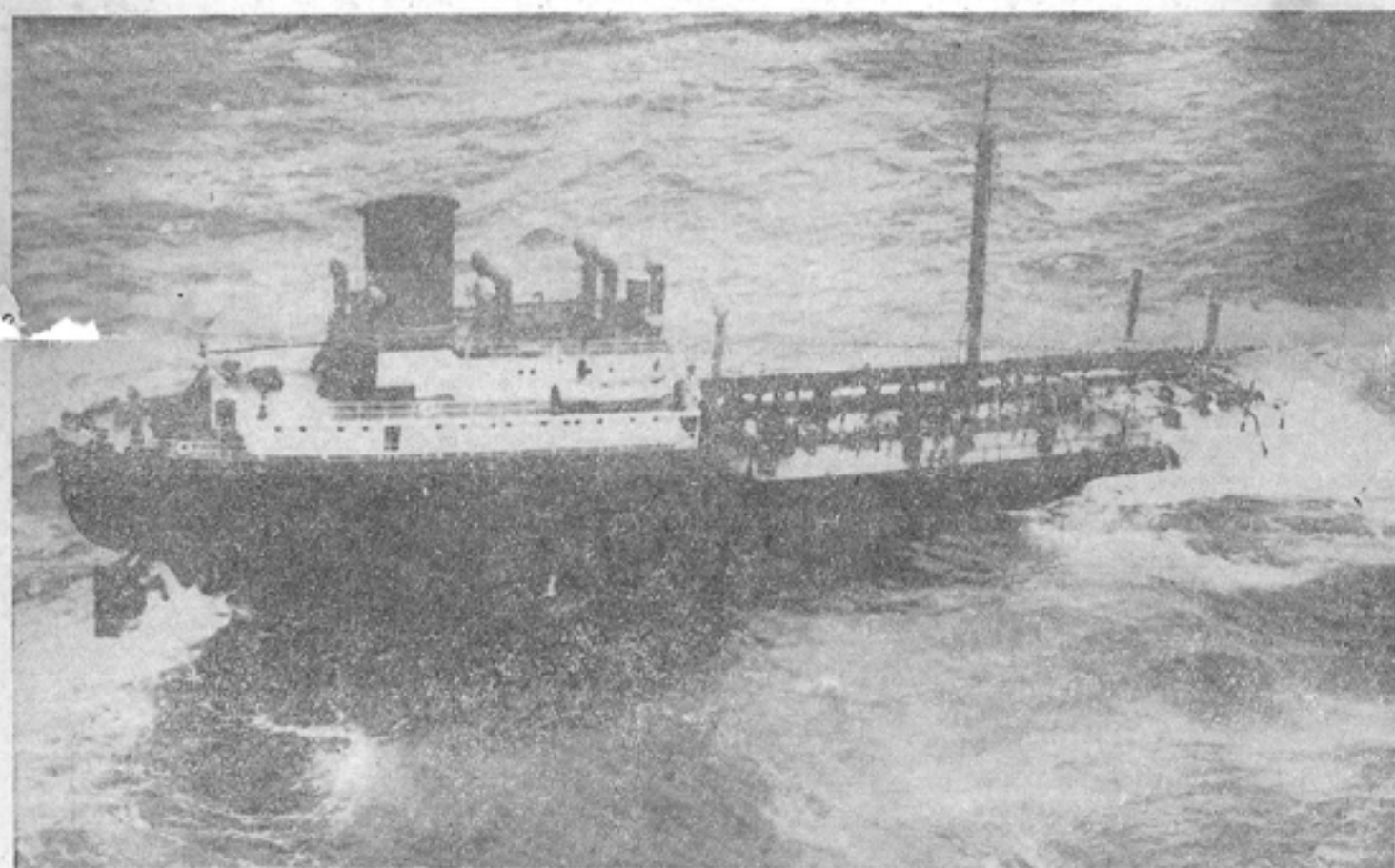
Bow section of the tanker Pendleton wallows in boiling seas 500 yards off Pollock Rip lightship.

—Standard-Times Air Photo



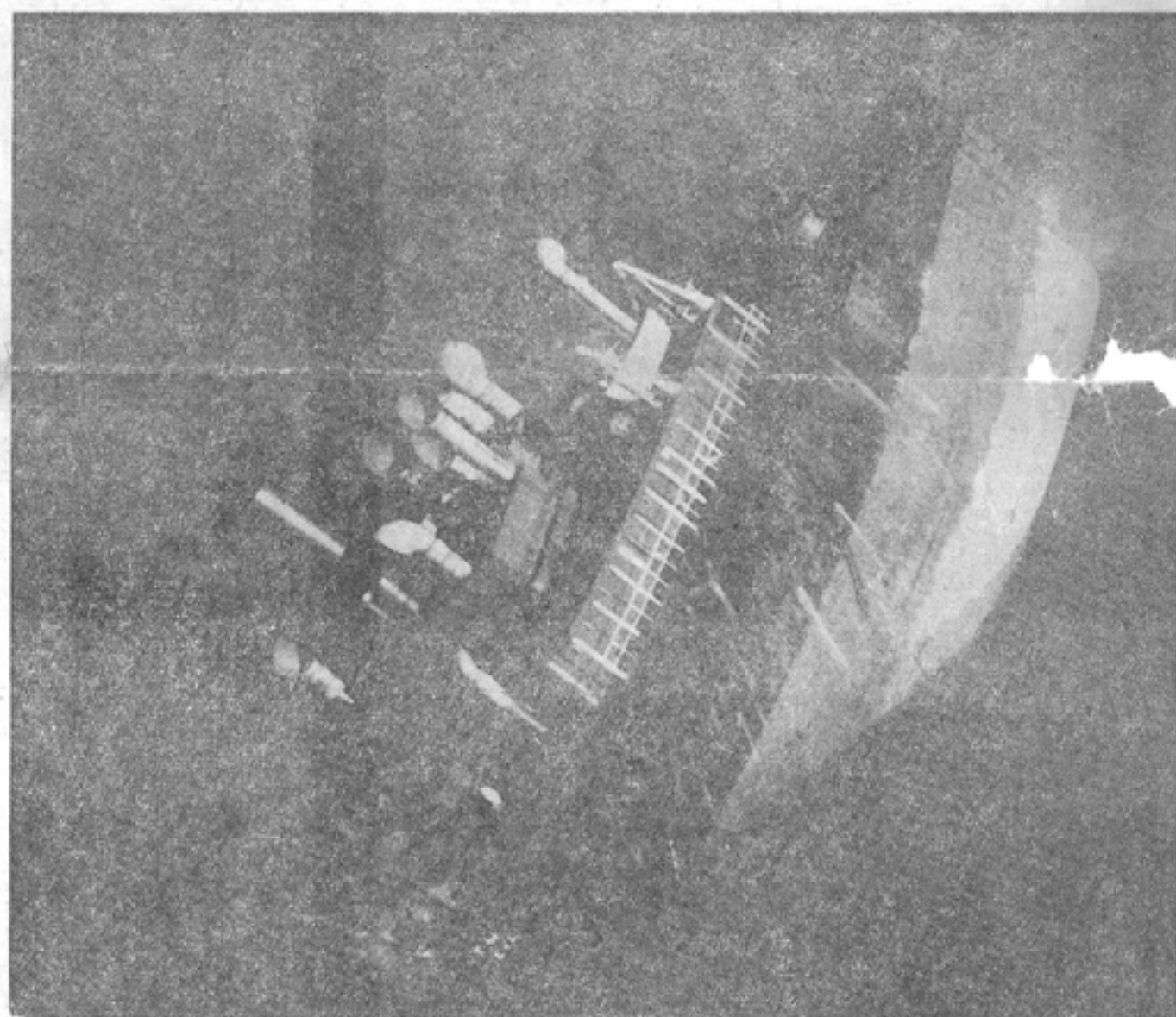
Another view of the Pendleton shows her bow jutting from storm-tossed waters off the Cape.

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Stern section of the oil tanker Fort Mercer, which still has 13 men aboard, is shown drifting southeast of Nantucket.

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Stern section of the tanker Pendleton is shown upended off Monomoy Point. Top part of the hulk is the spot where the vessel broke in half in Monday's wild storm.

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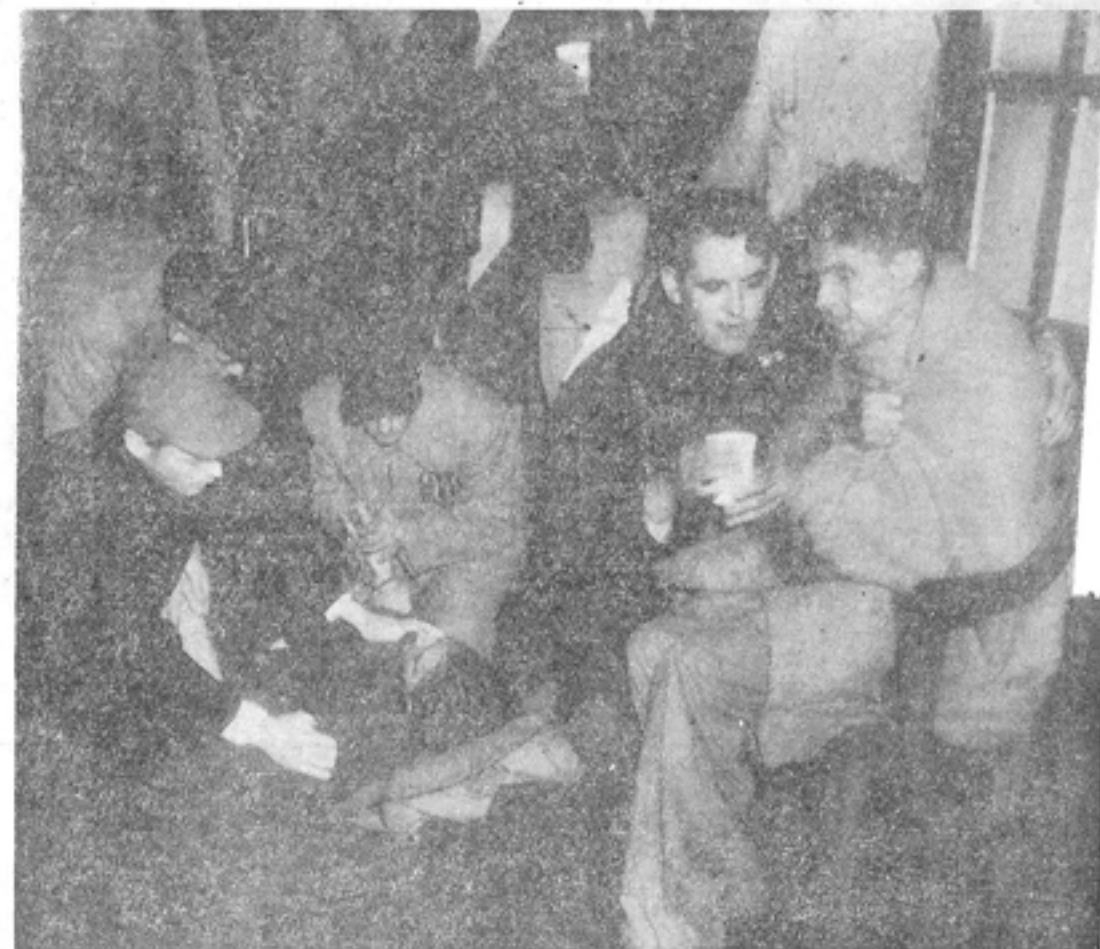
Still garbed in life jackets crew members of the Pendleton are shown debarking from the Coast Guard DUKW at the Chatham Coast Guard Station after a daring rescue Monday night.

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Survivors from the Pendleton, some serious, some laughing, leave the Coast Guard lifeboat at Chatham.

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A Pendleton survivor, lying left, gets first aid and a young man hands hot coffee to an older survivor of the Pendleton at the Chatham Coast Guard station.

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