

CAMERA.. GEMMELL

TITLE...7

*Schaff Sgt. Roy de Vere Speers*

AMERICAN PLANE CRASH SURVIVOR

1. GV \*MANCHESTER SHIPPER\* BOAT ALONG MANCHESTER SHIP CANAL 6

2. SV PAN FROM QUAYSIDE TO NAME ON SHIP 6

~~3. SV CAPT. WILLIAM DOWNING TALKS:~~

~~"ON APPROACHING THE WRECK I GAVE ORDERS TO MR. FIELDING  
CHIEF OFFICER FOR THE LIFEBOATS TO BE PREPARED READY  
FOR LOWERING."~~

4. CU *Down* SPEECH CONTINUES:

"WHEN THE LIFEBOAT RETURNED TO THE SHIP MR. FIELDING  
HAD ONE SURVIVOR ON BOARD, HIS NAME WAS SPEERS, THIS MAN  
WAS IN AN EXHAUSTED CONDITION, AND WHEN I SPOKE TO HIM  
HE TOLD ME HE LEFT THE PLANE SHORTLY AFTER HITTING THE  
WATER AND HE'D BEEN IN A DINGIE FOR 10 HOURS, UNTIL A  
LIFEBOAT WAS DROPPED FROM ONE OF THE AIRCRAFT SEARCHING  
AROUND, AND IT WAS ONE HOUR BEFORE HE WAS PICKED UP BY  
US. I WAS VERY PLEASED TO HAVE TO SAY \*THAT AT LEAST  
WE HAVE SAVED ONE\*." *he able,*

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5. SV SGT. SPEERS BEING ASSISTED ONTO STRETCHER ADECK SHIP 8

6. SV CAPT. DOWNING HANDSHAKES SPEERS 5

7. CU SPEERS ON STRETCHER BEING CARRIED OFF SHIP 8

~~8. SV \* ON STRETCHER PUT INTO AMBULANCE 7~~

~~9. SV AMBULANCE DEPART 5~~

LENGTH WITH TITLE..... 99 ft.  
22.