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Salvaged Bomber Taken by Truck From Mayville

The Navy Skyraider attack bomber which crashed in Chautauqua Lake off Point Chautauqua July 3 was enroute this morning from Mayville to Dunkirk by truck for eventual shipment by barge to a Navy salvage depot.

The \$500,000 plane was raised from 60 feet of water July 8 by a Navy crew with a team of seven divers, including three local men, and was beached north of Dewittville July 12. The following day it was brought to the state highway yards in Mayville where it was parked and under guard until this morning.

The 20-year-old pilot who was flying the plane on a round-robin tour out of Oceana, Va. was unhurt in the mishap.

After it was beached, Lt. Com. Sam Sparks, who directed the salvage operation, said he believed the plane could be repaired so it could fly again. It carried a mass of heavy and expensive electronic equipment, he said.