

ACTIVITY: Diving

CASE: GSAF ND.0062

DATE: Several years prior to 1960

LOCATION: The incident took place off Andros Island, Bahamas.

24°14'N, 77°37'W

NAME: Unknown

DESCRIPTION: He was a sponge diver.

NARRATIVE: "This reporter interviewed the survivor of a white shark attack on Andros Island several years ago. The man, a sponge diver, had lost a lower leg and a forearm.

"We asked him what it felt like to be hit by a shark. His answer was concise and illuminating in an almost terrifying way. 'Boss,' said the Andros man, 'I saw the shark. It was only seven or eight feet long. It hit me twice and each time I felt nothing. Just a little tingle. My arm was gone and so was a leg. But my shipmates had sense enough to place tourniquets.'" ...*Nelson Benedict*

INJURY: Lower leg and forearm severed by the shark.

SPECIES INVOLVED: According to the diver, the incident involved a white shark about seven to eight feet in length.

SOURCE: Article by Nelson Benedict in the New Jersey Star Ledger (Newark), August 22, 1960

