



ACTIVITY: Swimming

CASE: GSAF 1934.04.01.c / SA-057

DATE: Easter Sunday April 1, 1934

LOCATION: The incident occurred in the Indian Ocean at Granny's Pool, near Castle Rock Corner in Winkelspruit, 33 kilometres southwest of Durban on the coast of KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa.

$30^{\circ}05,6'S$, $30^{\circ}51,9'E$

NAME: Unknown

DESCRIPTION: The swimmer was a young black male.

BACKGROUND:

SEA CONDITIONS: The tide, a spring tide, was incoming and there was a strong rip current flowing through Granny's Pool.

MOON PHASE: Full Moon, March 31, 1934

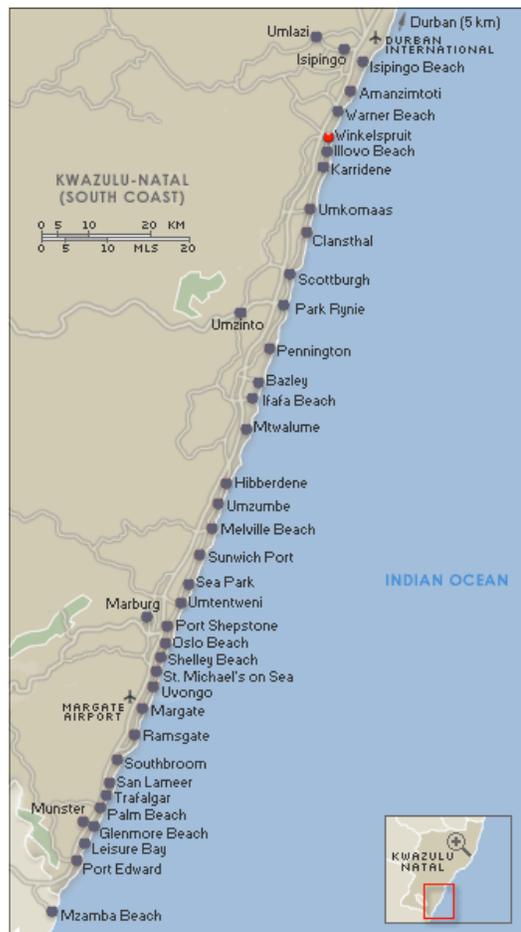
ENVIRONMENT: Although Castle Rock Corner was a popular fishing spot, no one was fishing when the boy was lost.

DISTANCE FROM SHORE: 200 to 250 metres.

DEPTH: The incident occurred above a deep pool

TIME: Between 15h00 and 15h30 (About three to four hours after Allan McArthur was bitten by a shark.

NARRATIVE: Neville Doveton, a Winkelspruit lifesaver, was not on duty, but after lunch he went down to the beach. The young boy was taken seaward by the rip current and Doveton, who was the strongest swimmer among the lifesavers, was sent out as "belt man" to rescue him. When Doveton was within five metres of the boy, he suddenly screamed and disappeared below the surface of the water. Spectators lining the nearby rocks shouted that the boy had been taken by a shark and signaled the lifesavers on the beach to reel Doveton to shore.



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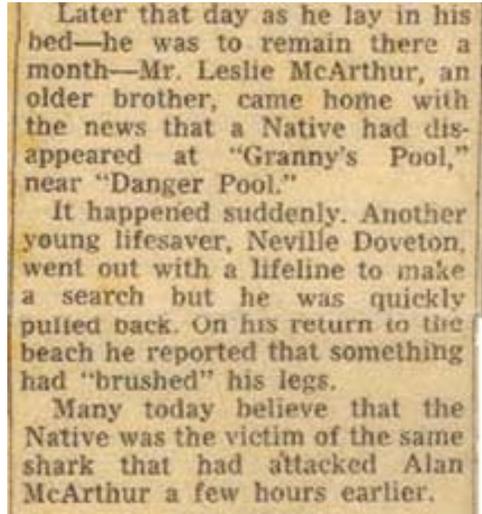
Doveton was quickly pulled back and, as he was being reeled to the beach, something brushed his toes.

INJURY: Fatal. The boy's body was never recovered.

SPECIES INVOLVED: Not identified

SOURCE: Neville Doveton, interviewed by Marie Levine on March 12, 1987

CASE INVESTIGATORS: Dr. David Davies; Marie Levine



Natal Daily News, Wednesday March 15, 1961

4	-4.34	Alan D. McArthur 12 yrs.	Winklespruit		Injury to right thigh.	Water murky after heavy rains.
5	-4.34 (same day as No. 4)	African boy	Winklespruit	F	Body not recovered.	

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