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Missing College Girl Found Under Porch Of Her Home

[Photograph of SP wearing necklace and jacket]
—AP Wirephoto
Sylvia Plath

WELLESLEY, Mass., Aug. 26
—(AP) —A pretty 20-year-old Smith
College senior—who vanished
Monday after telling her mother
she was going hiking—was found
today semi-conscious but apparently [apparently] uninjured under the porch
of her home.

While searchers fanned out in a widespread search, Sylvia Plath was located by her brother, Warren, 18, and her grandmother [grandmother], Mrs. Aurelia Schobar, 66, who heard moaning coming from the cellar of their home.

The girl was found behind a pile of lumber in a tiny space under the porch, through which entrance is gained by a 2½-foot opening about five feet above the cellar floor.

Police Chief Robert McVey
Said an empty water jar and a
container of eight sleeping tablets [tablets] were found by the girl's side.
He said the bottle had contained
48 tablets when full.

Miss Plath was taken to Newton-Wellesley [Newton-Wellesley] Hospital where a spokesman described her condition [condition] as "fair." The spokesman added that she had suffered "no apparent serious injury."

Transcribed by Peter K. Steinberg, 6 November 2017.