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Sylvia Plath Found In Good Condition

The people of Wellesley are thankful to learn that Miss Sylvia [Sylvia] Plath, daughter of Mrs. Aurelia [Aurelia] S. Plath of 26 Elmwood road, was found yesterday noon after a widespread search following her mysterious disappearance from home on Monday afternoon.

[Photograph, reversed, of SP wearing white collar shirt and sweater]

Apparently the victim of a nervous [nervous] collapse, Miss Plath had swallowed what is considered a lethal dose of sleeping pills but she was still alive when found. She had hidden at ground level under her own home, concealing her hiding-place by repiling some bundles of kindling wood against the opening. Taken to the Newton-Wellesley [Newton] Hospital, her condition [condition] was "good" at the time of going to press yesterday afternoon [afternoon], according to her physician. She was found by a member of the family, who heard moans and traced them to her hiding place.

Miss Plath was top-ranking student [student] in the junior class at Smith College this June, and has been preparing to enter her senior year

next month. Last year she was editor of the Smith Review, the college literary magazine, a member [member] of the college Press Board and Smith correspondent for the Daily Hampshire Gazette. She won two poetry awards at Smith last year, had three poems accepted [accepted] by Harper's Magazine, had stories and poems published in Seventeen magazine, won a \$500 award from Mademoiselle magazine [magazine] for a short story, and last May won a guest editorship to the Mademoiselle office in New York. The brilliant student had been "nervous" and under a doctor's [doctor's] care for several months.

The family of Sylvia Plath wish to express their sincere thanks to all who participated in the widespread two-day search for the missing girl. Neighbors, relatives [relatives] and friends joined the concentrated [concentrated] efforts of Chief of Police [Police] Robert P. McBey and a large number of his policemen (in civilian [civilian] garb), together with a group of Boy Scouts led by Bradford Gove of 35 Elmwood road, and the assistance of Col. Rex Gary of 1 Ingersoll road. Besides combing the area from Elmwood road through the Hundreds woods to the Cliff-Abbott Estates in the Hills, the police thoroughly searched the areas around Morses Pond, Lake Waban and Section Ten. Commander [Commander] C. Duane Aldrich of the American Legion offered the as-

sistance [assistance] of volunteers from his organization [organization]. The State Police brought a bloodhound which found no clue outside the home and naturally [naturally] refused to work. The house itself was searched the first thing Monday night.

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