Boy Killed By Falling Slate In Abandoned Mine

HARLAN, Ky. (P) - Falling slate in an abandoned coal mine killed a 16-year-old Evarts boy Friday. One of the victim's companions was injured.

Police Chief J. L. Hampton said Teddy Coker was crushed to death between two large rocks. Ralph Cloud, 12, was slightly injured. A third youth escaped injury.

Officials saids the boys had traveled 120 feet into the mine shaft to dig coal. The mine has not been commercially operated for 35 years.

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