

Student Dies in Mine Shaft Fall

AU SABLE FORKS (UPI) — A 21-year-old Connecticut student who was exploring near an abandoned mine shaft in Essex County plunged to his death after he slipped near the edge and fell into the shaft, state police said Tuesday.

Troopers said Anthony Papa, a student at the State University College at Plattsburgh, and three com-

panions were exploring the former Republic Steel Mine about 3 p.m. Monday when Mr. Papa slipped, skidded about 100 feet down a steep incline and plunged 50 feet into the mine shaft.

The site of the former mine is private property and the four were trespassing at the time of the accident, troopers said.

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