

Rope Breaks, Boy Is Rescued From Abandoned Mine

PITTSBURG, Calif. (AP)—Ronald Buffo, 15, was pulled safely out of a 65-foot mine shaft Wednesday after spending over an hour on his backing looking up at "that little hole in the sky."

He suffered minor injuries.

Ronald fell to the bottom of the abandoned mineshaft east of here.

Two friends lowered him into the shaft with a rope. It broke when he was halfway down, dropping him to soft ground at the shaft bottom.

Two Pacific Gas and Electric Co. linemen climbed down and rescued him several hours later.

"It was pretty gruesome," Buffo confided while recovering at his Pittsburg home. "I was knocked out, I guess, and then I woke up, I was lying on my back and I looked up and all I could see was that little hole in the sky."

1963 Ronald Buffo rescued after 65 foot fall into abandoned mine

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