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FRESH AIR — A searcher takes a deep breath of fresh air as he emerges from the Belle Isle Salt Mine at Calumet, La., Sunday. The body of the fifth miner killed in an explosion at the mine Friday was recovered by searchers Sunday. A search

party found the body of Adam Sempay, 24, at the 1,200-foot level, a spokesman said. Seventeen miners escaped from the explosion. Four of the survivors were hospitalized Sunday in fair condition.

In Salt Mine Search

Fifth Body Found

CALUMET, La. (AP) — The body of the fifth miner killed in an explosion at the Belle Isle Salt Mine was recovered Sunday afternoon, according to officials of Cargill Salt, which owns the mine.

Searchers found the body of Adam Sempay, 24, of New Iberia, near a screening machine shortly before 3 p.m. at the 1,200-foot level, a spokesman said. The body was taken to the St. Mary Parish coroner's office in Franklin.

Seventeen miners escaped from the explosion, which blew out massive doors in the mineshaft and whipped salt particles with sand-blast velocity. Four of the survivors were hospitalized Sunday in fair condition.

Six-man search teams had to make several 90-minute forays into the debris-strewn mine corridors before locating Sempay's body. The excavated section of the mine is about a square mile in area and consists of a series of salt-pillared chambers connected by wide roadways, some as wide as a city street.

The mine excavation begins at the north end of the Belle Isle salt dome, a hump of land above the marshes that is the highest spot for 20 miles around.

The bodies of the four other miners killed in the explosion were recovered Saturday. They were identified as Richard Collins, 31, of Patterson; Donald Mayon, 38, of Baldwin;

Herman Zimmerman, 48, of Franklin; and Amedee Olivier, 23, of Jeanerette.

Sempay was assigned to the demolition team that blasted loose a section of salt minutes before a second explosion tore through the excavation, according to Stuart Liesz, a vice-president of the Minnesota-based mining company.

The cause of the second blast was unknown. Bureau of Mine Safety engineers were on the scene, but their supervisor, district manager Wayne Kanack, of Dallas, Texas, said his office would make no immediate statement.

Achille Boutte, a foreman and one of the 17 who escaped, said the demolition team may have opened up a pocket of explosive

methane gas.

Bryan McFarlain, another survivor, said, "We felt something — like pressure built up in our ears — and the lights overhead went dim. All of a sudden, the lights went out and then the wind hit. It was very strong, like a hurricane, and it was full of salt. Everybody was hollering and screaming."

"There was salt all over — thick like a fog. It was hitting us like a sandblast. The wind must have lasted four or five seconds. Then it got hot. There was no air for a few seconds. You couldn't breathe then."

McFarlain said he shielded his face, but the blasting salt slashed through his clothing, cutting him from hip to shoulder.

Schmidt Warns Of Oil Threat

NEW YORK (AP) — West German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt, stressing the reality of the oil shortage and the urgent need for conservation and cooperation, warned Sunday that "a sudden oil price explosion can ruin all our economies."

Interviewed on CBS's "Face the Nation" program, Schmidt said that were it not for cooperation among western leaders, the major in-

dustrialized powers might already have engaged in the same selfish policies that produced the "ugly depression" of the 1930s.

Even with the prevailing cooperative mood, he predicted the 1980s will prove "very difficult" economically "because the energy shortage will last. It will not disappear."

He said Western nations need to save energy and develop