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WELLESLEY, Aug. 26 (AP) – Search continued today for Sylvia Plath, 20, a Smith college senior who disappeared Monday after leaving a note for her mother that she was going for a hike.

The mother, Mrs. Aurelia S. Plath, a Boston university professor, said her daughter's disappearance may have been due to a temporary nervous [nervous] disorder linked to her writing.

Miss Plath was editor of the Smith Review, the college literary magazine, last year, and has sold fiction and poetry to magazines and other publications.

Mrs. Plath said her daughter "recently [recently] felt she was unworthy of the confidence held for her by the people [people] she knew. For some time she has been unable to writer either fiction [fiction], or her more recent love, poetry.

"Instead of regarding this as just an arid period that every writer faces at times," the mother said, "she believed something had happened to her mind, that it was unable to produce [produce] creatively any more."

Transcribed by Peter K. Steinberg, 12 September 2016.