

## MINER IMPRISONED NEAR BUTTE RESCUED

Butte, April 24.—(AP)—Trapped nine hours beneath 25 feet of rock in the U. S. mine near Butte yesterday, Harvey Konen, 45, of Great Falls had suffered only a few scratches and bruises when rescued by a crew of 20 men last night.

Konen descended the 60-foot shaft of the gold mine shortly before 9:30 o'clock yesterday morning. He heard dangerous rumblings above him and was ascending a ladder when the timbered shaft crashed in ahead of an avalanche of rock.

Konen was rendered unconscious. When he came to he found he was pinned against the sidewall by timber and rock. An older shaft slanting toward the new hole, had worked its way to the new timber through decomposition and when the wood gave way the mass of rock came down.

Later Konen managed to wriggle himself free but was afraid to stir, fearing a new slide.

Workers at the shaft rushed to Butte and recruited veteran miners who were taken to the property where an opening was made in the caved-in shaft and Konen brought to the surface.

## 1935 Harvey Konen rescued from mine after being trapped nine hours

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