

New Cave-ins at Old Tunnel Balk Miner's Rescue

Nevada Man Trapped Without
Food or Water for
Two Days.

Virginia City, Nev., Dec. 31. (AP)—New cave-ins at the old South Comstock mine, where 35-year old George "Al" Peterson is trapped in a stope, blocked the hoped-for rescue tonight.

Doggedly keeping at their dangerous work of clearing a path to free the miner, rescue workers admitted they had lost hope of rescue before tomorrow.

Peterson, who was reported uninjured, has been without food or water since 11 a. m., yesterday. He told rescuers he was all right but suffering some from the cold.

The thirty-five year old miner was working in a stope between the 300 and 400 foot levels when a fill caved in behind him filling the drift for sixty feet.

Peterson refused to come through a small opening made at one time by workers, and a few seconds later the hole was filled with another cavein.

1939 Nevada miner trapped in South
Comstock mine

Clipped By:
usmra_rob
Sep 6, 2025