

## Foot Amputated To Save Life of Rescued Miner

FRESNO, Dec. 30. (AP)—A "quick and full recovery" was predicted today for Claude Kritzer, whose left foot was amputated yesterday in an attempt to save his life. Kritzer, 34, with his brother, Martin, 38, was marooned in the snow-covered Sierras for nine days this month.

The prediction came from Dr. W. A. Rohlfing, superintendent of Fresno County General Hospital. Dr. Rohlfing said the foot, which was gangrenous, was amputated above the ankle because there was no other choice.

The two brothers were rescued from the mountains Dec. 21. They had planned to drive a tractor from their tungsten mine above Dinkey Creek but were caught in a snowstorm.

Martin Kritzer, still in the hospital, was reported recovering from exposure and frostbite.

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