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preciation on plant equipment like up to 15 per cent per year under the same terms as mines make similar deductions for income tax return.

new mines, which pay no income tax for the first three years of operation, are allowed to let their depreciation deductions pile up and applied when they start paying income taxes. For the assistance, however, they are allowed to add depreciation to the cost of producing gold in their current year. The depreciation cannot exceed 15 per cent of the value of the plant and equipment. The same applies to production expenses that are added to production costs.

Also there may be added to the cost of producing gold the exploration and development expenses required to maintain ore reserves up to three years at the current rate of withdrawal in the case of mines whose ore reserves were below this level at the beginning of 1948.

In the case of mines whose reserves were greater than three years' withdrawal, development and exploration costs will be allowed up to the amount required to maintain reserves. The reserves, however, must be at the same ratio as existed at the beginning of 1948.

No mine shall receive assistance unless it keeps suitable books and produces more than 50 ounces of gold annually which would must represent 70 per cent or more of the total value of the products of the mine. This would exclude mines whose chief product is silver and gold only, a by-product.

Capital exploration and development costs which the mines may add to their costs of production are limited to include expenditures on shafts, stations, underground crushing and pumping stations, main haulage ways, ore and waste pockets and other development work designed for continuing use. Such work must be capitalized and the expenditures amortized generally at the rate of 15 per cent per annum.

"Provisions are made for assisting mines that suspended operations when suspension was beyond the control of the operator.

"Advance payment of assistance on a quarterly basis is provided up to 80 per cent of the estimated amount the mine would be entitled to receive."

Mining Work Suspension Bill Signed

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 23.—(AP)—President Truman has signed a bill suspending annual mining assessment work in Alaska until July 1, 1949.

The law requiring the work has been suspended since early in the war. It provides that holders of mining claims must perform not less than \$100 worth of labor or improvements to that amount each year.

Air Command Calls For Arctic Vets

The Alaska Air Command has announced that there is a shortage within the command for Arctic veterans, needed for instruction purposes in its Arctic Indoctrination School and in the 10th Rescue Squadron. **The Air Command also announced that there is a new military occupational specialty assignment for such men and the title is "Arctic Survival Expert."** Men holding the **SSN of 383 (Arctic Survival Expert)**, would be eligible to advance to the rank of master sergeant.

The job description for a survival expert contains a long list of "must" experiences such as ability as woodsman and in setting up and operating practical camp suitable for terrain conditions, knowledge of layout and preparations of landing and aerial drop areas, land navigation, land and water transport, characteristics of wild life, knowledge of natives, first aid and signaling.

Men detailed to the Arctic Indoctrination School at Nome would be assigned as permanent party to the training or supply staff and would assist in the training of students or the maintenance of the camp. **Men detailed to the 10th Rescue Squadron would in all probability be assigned to the land-search branch where they would receive training in search technique combining land and air liaison.**

Men interested in applying for this new specialty should contact Lt. Edward J. Vetter, Wing Recruiting Officer at Ladd Air Force Base, Extension 312.

Jap 'Torture Mill' Heads Sentenced

MANILA, June 23.—(AP)—The head of the Japanese torture mill at Baguio was sentenced to death by a Philippines army war crimes commission today.

Maj. Shimpel Harada was found guilty of responsibility for the death of scores of civilians and soldiers. Some were Americans.

Harada will die before a firing squad with his assistant, Warrant Officer Toshio Tezuka. Two others, Sgt. Koyemitsu Kitajima and Hiroshi Sugimoto, were given life in prison. They were with the Kempeitai (Thought Police) in Baguio. The prosecution specifically charged

Communication

Editor, News-Miner.
Dear Sir:

The Fairbanks Concert Association takes this means of expressing to the people of Fairbanks its appreciation for the splendid reception they gave the Glee Club of the University of Washington last Saturday. The Glee Club went away with a warm feeling for Fairbanks because of the enthusiasm shown by the concert audiences and the hospitality extended to them afterwards at the Country Club.

Special thanks should go to "Cap" Lathrop for his generosity in making available the Empress Theater for both afternoon and evening performances; to Reuel Griffin for the loan of the piano; and to James Doogan for transporting same to and from the theater; to Mr. and Mrs. Scougal for their hospitality at the Country Club; to members of A.A.U.W., Beta Sigma Phi, and Soroptimists who acted as ushers; to Rowland Livesley, president of the Chamber of Commerce, and his committee for their cooperation in making plans for the concert, and to all others who in any way contributed to the success of the Glee Club's stay in Fairbanks.

Very truly yours,
JUNE NORDBY, President.
HELEN PRINCE, Secretary.
Fairbanks Concert Association

ed Harada and his men with the death of Florence Reed, an American.

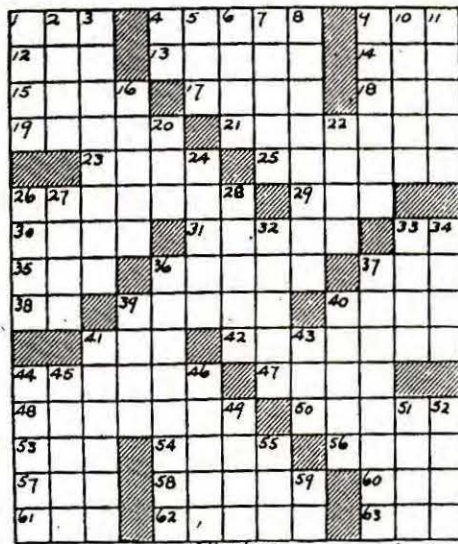
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1. Timber tree
 4. Manila hemp
 9. Ribbed fabric
 12. Meadow
 13. So. American rodents
 14. Feminine name
 15. Nothing more than
 17. Loose earth
 18. Automobile
 19. Tilled land
 21. Most profound
 23. Render vocal music
 25. Manual vocations
 26. In place
 29. Refrigerant
 30. Pedal digits
 31. Lively
 33. Exclamation
- DOWN**
15. Old times; postlo
 25. Empty
 27. Repair
 28. Mother
 29. Throws off fumes
 40. Only
 42. Trap for certain fish
 44. Goes swiftly
 47. Blast on a whistle
 48. Further
 50. Prongs
 53. Strong liquor
 54. Ridge
 56. Be very fond of
 57. Dear (Gaelic) mother
 58. Obliterate
 60. Cravat
 61. Spread to dry
 62. Thick
 63. Tree



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