

# U. S. HIGHWAY 24 WILL BE CLOSED FOR 25 MILES

## Pando Ski Camp Will Make Relocation of Road Necessary.

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Twenty-five miles of United States highway 24, a thru transcontinental route, including Tennessee pass, will be closed to common traffic next Monday and probably will remain closed all summer, State Highway Engineer Charles D. Vail announced Wednesday.

The action will be taken at the request of the war department, Vail said. A camp for training of ski troops is being built at Pando, in the prescribed area, and a portion of the highway will be relocated.

The road will be closed from Leadville to Redcliff. Notices will be posted at both these points immediately, and also at Minturn, ten miles north of Redcliff.

Thru traffic will not be seriously inconvenienced, however. Vail pointed out that motorists from the Denver area will not be affected at all, since United States 6 joins United States 24 at Minturn.

Eastbound and westbound traffic will take United States 6 between Minturn and Wheeler, and state highway 91 between Wheeler and Leadville. This route is a good road, and is only forty-nine miles long in comparison with the full thirty-five miles that will be cut off.

Traffic will be permitted on the portion of U. S. 24 between Minturn and Redcliff.

Vail said the closing probably will be in effect for "four or five months," and that he expects the army will place men at entrance points to prevent traffic from entering. Residents of the area will be permitted to use the road.

The state is providing the engineering for about six miles of highway relocation that will be accomplished under army direction.