

PLUCKY BIRD DOG SAVES MINER'S LIFE

Canine Fights Cougar When Master Is Attacked

TACOMA, Wash., May 19.—If hero medals were given to dumb animals, Henry B. Spencer of Tacoma would apply for one for "Rex," his nine months old bird dog. Mr. Spencer credits his life to the dog which proved his bravery in a hand-to-hand fight with a mother cougar and her three cubs.

Mr. Spencer, who is mining in the Olympic mountains, was suddenly confronted with the animals. He was unarmed and the beasts showed fight. Spencer threw rocks at the mother cougar, but in doing so he lost his balance and fell. Before the enraged cougar could spring, "Rex" appeared and attacked one of the cubs. This distracted the mother who turned on the dog. Spencer was able to retreat. The dog came through with only minor injuries.

1926 nine month old bird dog saves miner from cougar attack near Tacoma

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