

'That' Yak Still Free

BRECKENRIDGE (RNS) -- Harold Cook, who lives north of Caddo, still hasn't been able to pay the reward for the yak which was reported missing during the "critter" scare at Caddo about mid-July. The yak remains unyoked.

Cook had offered a \$25 reward for the return of the rare animal which had been grazing with his cattle since last November.

Excitement over the Caddo Critter gave rise to extensive hunting in and around the area. About 10 days ago one Arlington youth took pictures of what he believed to be the hairy Caddo critter in an Eastland County location near Ranger. These pictures were later admitted to be the results of a practical joke on the youth by some of his friends.

They said they could not resist playing the prank on the young man when they heard he was going to go "critter hunting" in that area.

Cook stated he would still like to have his yak back, and the \$25 reward for its return still stands. He offered the reward to attempt to keep the animal from being slain by an overzealous hunter.

The yak is believed to have come from the former game preserve near Possum Kingdom Lake and just showed up in Cook's pasture to graze with his cattle last winter. He didn't miss it until the "critter" talk started.