

First He Has Bagged

Freshman Ropes Ten Point Deer

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There are many ways to bag a deer, but A&M Eddie Gray of Baytown used one of the strangest—he roped his.

And the deer was a 10 point buck at that. Not only was it the first he has roped, it was also the first deer he has ever bagged, Gray said.

The incident occurred on a Saturday morning about a month ago. Gray had broke the tip of a whip he had brought from home, and had gone to a saddle shop in Bryan to have it fixed.

At the shop he met Arbery Jones, a Navasota rancher, who told Gray he could fix the whip. "While he was fixing it, we got to talking about working cattle," Gray said. "I told him I'd like to see his ranch, so he invited me out.

"Mr. Jones raises what are known as 'leopard dogs' which trail cattle through brush and bring them to bay. We got some horses and took the dogs along to round-up some heifers.

"We were chasing the heifers through some river bottom brush when a 10 point buck broke cover. We could see that the deer had screw worms eating on the back of its head.

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so we took out after him. I didn't have any idea of roping the deer until Mr. Jones said to chase him.

"The dogs were chasing the deer, so we followed them. They chased him into a dry creek-bed with a few holes of water standing in it. The dogs brought the buck to bay in one of these.

"I lassoed the deer around the head, and both of us pulled him out. The run through the brush and struggling in the hole had tired the deer, but we were still mighty careful of those horns," Gray said.

Gray complimented Jones' work in handling the buck. "I don't think we would have got him if it hadn't been for Mr. Jones' experience," he said.

Gray and Jones brought the deer back to the ranch and treated it for screw worms. "I guess the worms had eaten too far in to save the deer," Gray said.

"When we came back the next morning he was dead," he said.

"I found when I cut him up to get his antlers that the medicine we had put on the worms had run down the holes and hit his brain."

A freshman agriculture major, Gray said he wrote his mother and girl about roping the buck. "My girl wrote back and said she thought I had been reading too many wild adventure stories," he said.

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MISS RED LABEL—Ensign Pulver (Ted Castle) introduces nurse Girard (Dorothy Bell) to Lieutenant j.g. Roberts (Ricky Black) in the first performance of the Aggie Players' "Mister Roberts" now playing at Guion hall. The second and last showing of the play will be tonight at 8:15. Tickets cost 50 cents.

Letters to the Editors

Editors, The Battalion:

In reading today's Battalion (Nov. 4), I must say that I was really amazed at one of the letters to the editor that I happened to read. In particular, I am referring to the letter written by Mr. Adams, Mr. Robards, and Mr. Rankin.

Now Mr. Adams, Mr. Robards and Mr. Rankin, I would just like to ask you who you think you are? Evidently since you are now juniors you must have the feeling that you are pretty "hot stuff" and everyone should bow down to you as you manipulate your blue-jean clad carcasses around the campus.

What do you mean by proposing class distinction among the non-regs? I guess your next step will be to try and get freshman non-regs to wear fish stripes on their clothes or something similar to that so that when you sit down at the meal table you can get some of that "meal service" that you so generously gave out during your

two years in the corps as underclassmen.

And merely because you failed to cast your VALUABLE vote in the election concerning the non-reg seating plan, you are seeking some one else to put the blame on so you say that you didn't even know the voting procedure. Well men, (I use that word rather loosely) I must say that the news of the voting was carried in the Batt and I even saw posters up telling of the voting.

Why don't you accept the fact that your underclassmen non-regs are equal to you and quit griping for awhile. It might help your morale.

G. Martin '55

Notice to AggieLand:

We desire to express our sincere thanks for your kindness during the accident and sickness of Dickie's.

The flowers were beautiful. Thanks to the entire hospital staff. May God bless each and every one of you.

Mr. & Mrs. R. E. Robertson
Benavides, Texas

The Battalion
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Dear Sir:
This morning (Nov. 4) when taking a group of children to school, Ann Ritchie, age 7, who has two

brothers Frank and Charlie at A&M, expressed her feelings regarding the seating arrangement in Little Rock last weekend. I feel sure many Aggies will agree, especially those attending the Arkansas game.

The discussion was regarding the unfortunate loss to Arkansas when Ann said, "Yes and the police made the Aggies move because they were standing up." She continued, "They can't help it if they stand up—that's their religion."

Sincerely,
Mrs. J. R. Latimer Jr.
Winters, Texas

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BRINGS 'EM BACK ALIVE—Eddie Gray demonstrates the technique he used in roping his 10 point buck. A freshman agriculture major from Baytown, Gray says the deer was not only the first he has roped, but also the first he has ever bagged.

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'Journalist' to Be Published Soon

The next issue of the Texas A&M Journalist, a newspaper published "in the interest of a greater A&M journalism department," will be distributed sometime in February, said C. C. (Chuck) Neighbors, editor.

The newspaper, which was first published in June, 1953, is a journalism club project and is edited by journalism students. A copy of each issue is mailed to every Texas daily and weekly newspaper.

Stories about job opportunities for journalism majors and accomplishments of former A&M journalism students will be featured in the next edition, said Neighbors.

Stamp Collectors Club May Be Formed Here

Philip Stern, senior from Lufkin, is trying to start a stamp collectors club here.

The purpose of the club would be to exchange information and stamps and to aid members in collecting stamps, Stern said.

He would like to have some instructor who is interested in stamp collecting to sponsor the club, which would be open to students, faculty members and their wives.



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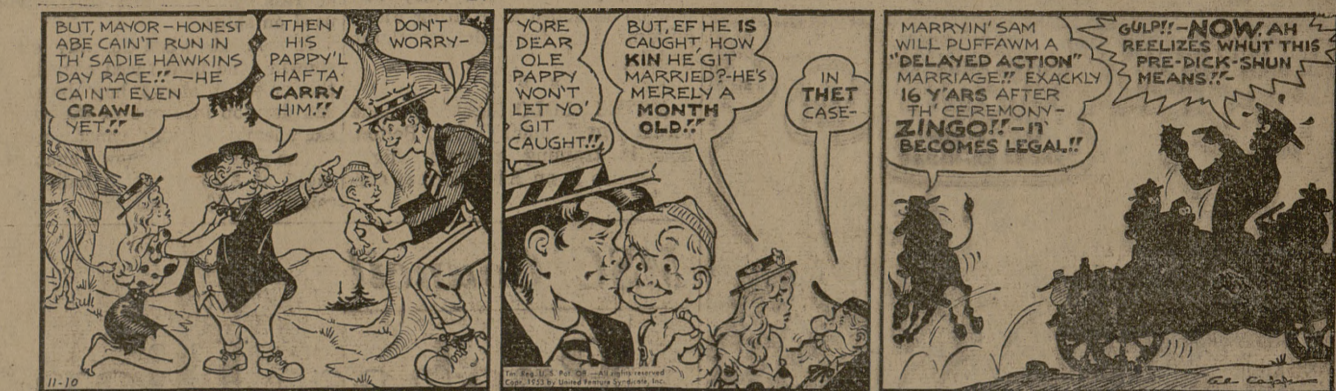
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