

THE COATI.

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During September, 1925, a lone specimen of *Coati mundis* (*Nasua narica*) was killed near Lockport, Illinois. This mammal was discovered in a tree by a farmer named George Bump.

This Coati is a native of South America and Mexico, sometimes traveling across the border into southern United States. In South America they range as far south as Paraguay. They hunt in bands, several families running together. They live in trees and on the ground. They live on small animals, fruit and roots. The latter they obtain by digging with their badger-like feet or with their hog-like snout.

The Mexicans call them Tejons or raccoons. Since they are active and playful, they are often used as pets. Maybe that will explain the appearance of this lone specimen so far from its native habitat.