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Linnaeus B. Ranck,  
Investigator,  
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Mr. H. I. Walck told me of this location in Section 3, Township 16, Range 24, Ellis County, which land belongs to George Pratt and which is supposed to have been the site of an early Indian battle.

During the late 80's Mr. Walck was over that part of what is now Ellis County and found the metal parts of guns lying about on the ground, they being especially noticeable since a prairie fire had swept over the country not long before. Walck found in a nearby gulch many bones of the human skeleton, including about a half dozen skulls. In the same gulch and in close proximity to the human skeletons were the bones of a number of small horses. Mr. Walck said the horse bones plainly proved they were from small animals because of the size of the skulls and the hoofs. All of the bones were quite sound yet and it is his belief that they could not have been over ten

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years old at the time he found them. He picked up some arrowheads, too, from the surrounding terrain.

This location is in the edge of the brakes on the north side of the South Canadian River.