AN OLD SETTLER'S STORY

There were five of us boys that came to Texas with our mother in the year 1825. Each had his certain work to do about the place, mine being attending to the cows of which there were three. They had to be milked twice a day, and the time between each milking they were allowed to run free in the pasture we had fenced. The pasture contained about four square miles of timber land, so one may imagine the cows were pretty hard to find at times.

One cold January morning I was in a hurry to get through so I could go hunting. I dressed rapidly and prepared to milk, but could find no cows. Thinking they were somewhere in the pasture, I got my gun and started in search for them. I hunted all over the pasture but could find no cows; but did find the gate open with many horse tracks leading through it, so I knew the cows had been stolen by the Indians.

I followed the tracks of the Indians several miles down a ravine and then the track branched off up a river bank and pretty soon crossed the river. I waded the icy water which felt like the blade of a knife cutting into the flesh. Several miles farther on I saw where they had camped over night and I saw the bones of an animal that looked about the size of our best cow.

Knowing there was no chance of catching the thieves, I cut across the country to a large forest where there was plenty of game to hunt.

I soon found out that I did not know where I was, so I set off in a direction I did not know, and traveled about three miles. I came to an extra thick bunch of tall trees, and thinking I might get a shot at a squirrel, I slipped cautiously up and one may imagine my surprise at seeing an Indian camp situated in an opening. They were preparing to cook dinner. I looked the camp over and saw in the center a large black Indian with a big knife in his hand preparing to kill an

Y. W. C. A. NOTES

THE CHINESE PLAY

The members of the Y. W. C. A. presented the first act of a Chinese play Friday afternoon to quite a large and appreciative audience. The various parts were well acted, and the girls are to be praised for getting up such a worthy play. It appeals to the better nature of every one. The play was presented by Mrs. Peck and the music by Mrs. Crowell were greatly enjoyed.

Y. C. A. REPRESENTATION

The Southwest Texas Normal had the honor of having the largest number of representatives of any school represented at the Southwestern Conference of Christian Workers in State Institutions, which was held in Austin Nov. 10 and 17. Misses Gaines Addington and Taylor represented the Y. W. C. A. and Messrs. Moulton and Ransome the Y. M. C. A. All report a most interesting and profitable visit. Miss. Gaines was elected Vice President of the Conference for the coming year.

WEEK OF PRAYER

Last week the Y. W. girls observed the inter-national week of prayer. Regular services were held each day at 1 o'clock. The closing service was held Sunday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Ward. With Miss Mary Sue Addington as leader the following program was rendered:

China— Miss Tilly Walker
Turkey— Miss Willie Donald
India— Miss Grace King
Japan— Miss Esther Burwell

After a number of sentences prayers for the Christian Workers in foreign countries, Miss Gaines made an interesting talk on the "Choice of Our Life's Work".

THANKSGIVING MEETING

All the Y. W. and Y. M. C. A. workers will hold a thanksgiving service in the auditorium Friday, November 25, at 4 o'clock. There will be special music and an interesting address, "DON'T TELL ANY BODY" but there will be a jolly good social hour after the meeting.
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MORE ATHLETIC ATTRACTIONS

Coach Smith is going to make Tennis a more valuable game that it has heretofore been considered among the Normal students. He has a plan that will not only cause the game to be played for P. E. credit but will bring in some pep and rivalry. At the close of each term tennis tournaments are to be held. All participants in these tournaments will be exempt from the written tests on tennis. This means more than sport for the player. It means that he will have less work and worry.

It is hoped that good tennis players will soon develop. What is the matter with playing other schools of this town tennis as well as football and baseball? All we need to do is to start the ball rolling and biff it a little now and then.

WHY?

The Star is lacking in support of the students who have attended and especially those who are attending our school. Why is this we have not been able, by mathematical, physiological, or any other process, to find out. If you know, please "let the cat out of the bag?"

OUR AIM

We want to raise our subscription list so that it will be possible to make our paper less like an advertising sheet. It is readily seen that our advertising space is out of proportion to the allotted reading matter. To remedy this proportion, that is to make things look more as they should, it will the aid of all the students who are now loyal and honorable enough to do themselves and their school justice by supporting this paper. We want each subscriber to solicit at least one subscription, whether it be in or out of school. Such an act is not hard to do and its effect will be farther reaching than you may realize. Put your shoulder to the wheel and help get the load started; it will make it much easier for the staff to pull and pull hard.

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other of our two remaining cows. I raised my rifle, took deliberate aim, and pulled the trigger. The Indian jumped high in the air and fell dead.

The others uttered a war whoop and made a charge toward me and before I could kill but two more they had me overpowered. I almost knew my last day had come, so I began to pray earnestly, while they were carrying me to their camp. Finally they sat me down close to one of our cows who showed her appreciation of my being there by bawling loudly as if she realized my condition.

The Indians held a discussion and decided that I must be shot by three of the strongest, with their bows and arrows. They got off about thirty yards and got ready to let go the deadly missiles. The chief raised his hand about half way up in giving the signal when BANG!, and four rifle shots rang out clear and loud and the chief and the three bowmen fell dead.

The others fled in confusion leaving their horses, and all my four brothers came running into the camp. They had been out bunting for me and upon hearing the shooting came to see what it was about. We were more than tenfold repaid for the cow we lost because we got a dozen horses and the other things the Indians left in camp.

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