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GENERAL SUBJECT: COMMENTS ON ALICE SONTAY'S KIOWA CALENDER; ETC.

(Let's take this next picture here. Looks like a man with a book in his hand.)
What did you say it was supposed to be?

(Well, it looks to me like he's got a book in his hand.)

Could it be that it's the first automobile that came among the Indians? Is he riding an automobile?

(You might be right. Do you think this man here is Indian or a white man?)
Well, he could be an Indian with a--(pause) Looks like he's wearing a army hat.
Could be at the time of the World War I. Conscripting Indian sailors or something like that.

(Well, you know, you were mentioning about this first automobile. Could you tell me any more about the first automobile that came out here?)

Yes. It came to Lawton. First automobile that come to Lawton was E. M. Yeff, I think. And persons in the real estate business were the first ones to own it.

And a mechanic--bicycle mechanic named Fred Thompson had another automobile that run with a chain. It just had a stick for a steering wheel. It had--it didn't have no regular tires--it had buggy wheels, like. And the light they had was a carbide light on the side of the car. And it was about two years before any real automobiles came out. Two or three years. And the E. M. was the only one who had a real car. Then the government employees at the Agency had a Ford car. But the first automobile-- But there were no Indians driving in the Ford car. And then the year after that came the Chevrolet car. The first Chevrolets came to Lawton,