

police authority was on tribal land), but he jump on me in the city so I broke his nose and the city police saw my badge and he said, "I'll take him and you can just leave him with me." So I let him have him. I would have arrested him. He jumped on me, too, and Oscar, and he had a big gun about that long and we had a scuffle before we got him. I got him down and I took the gun away from him and we had him arrested.

(How did Lt. Stecker go about breaking up the pow-wows?)

I don't know what the reason for breaking up the pow-wows was, but I think they was trying to get them to settle on their farms and work instead of just going around pow-wowing. Lot of that's going on now. It's revived. And it's going on pretty near every week somewhere. But in those days it was worse. Yeah, it was awful, then. So the only way Stecker had authority over them, but the only way he could force them was hold up their money. And everytime they go to a pow-wow and start one and everything, he had the Field agent to listen to pow-wows and take the names of those that's taking part and send them in to the Agent. That way Stecker knew when payment comes, if their name's on the list, they don't draw their money. Unless they promise to quit going to pow-wows. That wasn't constitutionally right, but they did it just the same!

INDIAN POLICE AND WHITE GAMBLERS

One time I was at the Office and we got word that some white people were gambling with the Indians over there on the west part on the Kiowas School reservation, north of the railroad, there on the creek. It was a Sunday afternoon. So Stecker, he come along and picked me and Enoch Smokey up. Enoch Smokey was one of the police. "I want you fellows to go with me. Some white people are gambling with the Indians down there in the bottom on the river, and we're going to pick them up. We're going to get them arrested." So we had a government buggy and we drove down there. It was about two miles where we