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Roberta Tohay, Comanche

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DIFFICULTIES OF ROBERTA TOHAY AND CLARENCE CHALEPAH GETTING IN ON HOUSING PROGRAM

Roberta: --that's the way I was enrolled. I didn't have nothing to do with that.

Irene: Her father's a Comanche, so she's enrolled as one.

Jordan: What was his name?

Roberta: Wilson Pewo.

Jordan: Would you be eligible, then, to apply for this Housing and Sanitation and so forth through the Comanche tribe.

Roberta: Well, I ain't got no use for it. If I ain't got no home, I don't need no sanitation! (Everyone laughs). I have to get me a home first. I didn't tell the Comanches yet. I'm kinda scared of them! I don't do any business with them. I just don't hang around them. But if I have to I'm gonna go and see them about it, because Stacy Padaponi, said he would o.k. it. They all work at Fort Sill and I believe most of them are approved--

Irene: They say the Kiowas already have a hundred homes built, ain't it, and the Comanches have a hundred. So they have two hundred homes already ready to build. All they're waiting on is that money.

Roberta: And I probably wouldn't have a shot though.

Birdie: What about the Apaches?

Irene: That's what I'm trying to tell you! The Apaches can't get together! It's our committeemans--

Roberta: They don't have--they used to turn that money over to another tribe--this housing money. Because, he said, all of my Apaches are well off. They all have their own homes. Only ones don't have homes is Butch Tohay and George Komardly. That's what I heard him say.