

get down to talking business or negotiating, there's too much red tape. I think they have enough money if they wanted to help us Indians, I think they have enough money appropriated without that new bill.

(What would it have done, or added?)

Oh, I don't think it would have added anything. They got bunch of things you can borrow, various through the Office, to start in business. I guess it could help some people if it becomes a law.

(When you say you turned it down, who turned it down?)

The bill? The Wichitas, turned the bill down as it is now. It's not passed. It has not passed the Congress yet, in other words, it has not become a law.

(How did the other tribes feel about it?)

The Caddoes intended to have a meeting over it, but they said since you people turned it down, I guess there's no need of talking about it. Similar to this Wheeler-Howard Bill. Somebody was writing, they say that this bill has the same advantages as this Wheeler-Howard Bill, and it's similar to the bill, Indian Claims Commission. I mean it benefits to the Indians. I don't think this Wheeler-Howard Bill..well it does help some people, but I don't think it would help us, on the north side, (Of the Washita River). Oh, back there in the thirties, they came to us, three times, we turned it down. The Wheeler-Howard Bill.

(What would it do?)

Well, it's supposed to give you credit, and of course you, give you a better recognition than otherwise. Oh, different things like that. Back there, the Caddoes took it in the thirties, somewhere and someone was saying that they were in a better position than the rest of us around here. So...well, when the eightieth congress got in power out there, the Republicans, I asked a fellow, I says what advantage..what disadvantage have we beside those people who took the welfare bill. He says, nothing. He says you're an Indian under the Government, he says, you going to get along if you ask for it. You can get