

summer. After that another fall comes and have to go cut cat-tails again.

(Does the frame stay up all the time?)

No, we take that frame down. Take them (cat-tail mats) off and use new ones on that cat-tails...On the summer houses they last three years, maybe four years.. They last long time, those. But those (winter house) you tear 'em all down. Take the poles off. In the fall time when you fix another one, you put a new one up.

(What do you do with the old poles?)

Oh, sometime we burn 'em when we cook outside on open fire in summer time. We like something cooked out on the open fire.

(Are these winter houses pretty comfortable?)

Uh-huh. They're warm too. One time there was some people--west people--they don't have that kind. They stayed all night with us. So they stay all night with us. This lady thought, "Oh we gonna get cold in that kind of house." In that kind of house, you know, she thought it was gonna get cold. But she slept warm and it was warm.

(Were they Indian?)

Yes, they were Indians--Cheyennes.

(It was the first time they ever slept in there?)

Uh-huh. So my husband; he went to town and got some meat, some pork chops, I believe and I cooked for them and feed 'em. So they asked us to take 'em on home. They lived way down to Watonga. They wasn't in a car, but we had a car. So they asked us to go take 'em home. So we took 'em home. They stopped at the agency at El Reno. I guess they got money, I don't know. We didn't get off when they got off. We went on and take 'em where they live. They stopped in town where they lived and they bought a whole bunch of groceries. We went on to their homes. They asked us to stay for supper. We stayed for supper, then we came on home. They tried to feed us the way we feed 'em. Fed us meat and something, you know. So after supper we come on back home. We had a boy then. And our boy was little and went to school and we want to get home for him. My mother was there. She was