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Navajo women and children at Fort Sumner, Bosque Redondo era, New Mexico, ca. 1864–1868.
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Navajo (Diné) oral history tells how the Navajo (Diné) people tried to negotiate in order to return to their homelands. Local Navajo (Diné) leader Pete Price recalls how the men at first failed to prevail in negotiations. Then, Navajo (Diné) women pleaded with the commissioners to be allowed to return home. Their determination and strength contributed to the eventual Navajo (Diné) successes at negotiations.