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Brigham Young to settle the Bear Lake section.

Lived in Saddle

The Clarks' large herd of cattle was wintered in Farmington and trailed to Georgetown, Ida., in the spring to spend the summer there. For years Mr. Clark practically lived in the saddle.

He helped survey nd locate Georgetown and hauled the first load of logs into the town.

On Jan. 17, 1876, he married Lucy Maria Robinson, a daughter of Oliver L. and Lucy Miller Robinson.

The newly married couple moved to Georgetown shortly after. And for the next 15 years Joseph operated a ranch there which provided beef and dairy products for the Ezra T. Clark Family, who were following the patriarchal order of family life.

Worked Together

Starting with very little, the Clark Family "all worked together," Mr. Clark recalls. And when his father died, one could walk from the Bamberger Railroad station in Farmington to Great Salt Lake and not get off Clark property, he adds.

His wife and three children remained in Farmington while he served a mission to the southern states from 1882 to 1884, the first missionary called from Georgetown.

Mr. Clark has been busy in Church work throughout his life.

As a young man he was a counselor in the first Young Men's Mutual Improvement Assn. organized in Farmington. And he was the first superintendent of the YMMIA in Georgetown.

Returned to Farmington

In 1891, the Joseph Smith Clark Family moved back to Farmington.

Three years later he was called to serve as member of the Davis Stake presidency under John W. Hess. He continued in that position from 1894 to 1904. Later he was president of the Stake High Council.

Mr. Clark spent several terms as a member of the Farmington City Council and was instrumental in getting the town's telephone, electric and water systems installed.

In 1921, he and his wife were called as ordinance workers in the Salt Lake Temple. They continued in that work until 1941, when she died at the age of 84.

Nine sons and daughters were born to the couple, five of whom are living.

They are Joseph Smith Clark Jr., Murray; Mrs. W.O. (Lucy) Robinson, Leroy R. Clark and Mrs. Parley A. (Iris) Young, Salt Lake City, and Irvin B. Clark, Los Angeles.