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Interviewer: In 1921 there was a very sharp recession. Coming back, were there many non-mormon families in Farmington when you were growing up here?

Orson Clark: Only spotted.

Lucille Clark: The man at the floral.

Orson Clark: Miller Floral. Robert Miller was a non-mormon.

Interviewer: When was that built, Miller Floral?

Ruth Knowlton: That just closed recently, didn't it?

Orson Clark: It's a Junior High School Building now.

Interviewer: Was that in existence in your childhood?

Orson Clark: The Miller Floral? It was built while I was growing up. A man by the name of Robert Miller from the east came out here looking for a place to set up a floral. He went all over the country and decided right here was the right soil and the right location and all. He built it here.

Interviewer: A lot of local people worked there, didn't they?

Orson Clark: Yes. It went over good, it really did. He really made money there. It was good for the community, he was a good community man. He said, "This city is to be called the Rose City." For several years there it was advertised as the Rose City.

Interviewer: Were there lines drawn between Mormons and non-Mormons at that time?

Orson Clark: No.

Interviewer: As far as you know, there were none. Of course by then polygamy had ceased to be a major political issue, hadn't it?

Orson Clark: Well, not much was said or done about it at that time.

Interviewer: It was over with then. When you were growing up, were there any lines drawn between the polygamist families and the non-polygamist families?

Orson Clark: No, the polygamist families were the Clark group.

Interviewer: The Clark group. They were the only major polygamist group here.

Orson Clark: They were the only major one. There were maybe some