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Orson Clark: Well, I took it and went. But you know it was a vacation. Walter was the oldest one at that time.

Interviewer: How old were you at that time?

Orson Clark: Oh, I don't know. 15 or 16.

Interviewer: And you say Walter was the oldest one.

Orson Clark: Yes, you know Walter. When we went there it was just like at home. We lived there just like we did here. We went to the meals together, slept together, and worked together. There was just no difference.

Ruth Knowlton: But you weren't put between your older brothers, were you?

Orson Clark: No, that's kind of a joke but it's true. You get two older brothers, one on each side, and they put you in the center. Then they help you along when you get behind and keep you up.

Ruth Knowlton: You mean they push you ahead. I've had that experience with my three boys, how the two older ones seem to push that younger one. He just can't do anything good enough for them. They're always watching him and he has to be perfect. They are always helping him. One is always shoving him and the other one is always criticizing him. He's got such a sweet personality. He's easy-going and he has a great humor. Do you know, he had it all over the two older boys because he knew

how to use words. He'd softly say something and the middle boy could get so angry. My boys are good runners and the youngest boy was always just a little bit ahead. You would see the middle boy running after him, he was going to really get him for what he had said. I laughed many a time at my kitchen window because Keith would turn around and say something. I couldn't hear what he had said, but you knew he had said something. Dan would leap and Keith would leap and then he would run and he would laugh.

Interviewer: He would always stay about two feet ahead of his brother.

Ruth Knowlton: We have a pond in the circle and they would run around that pond.

Interviewer: He would just tire the middle boy out until he quit. Coming back, you went to LDS High. Then you went to Davis. Did you graduate from Davis High School?

Orson Clark: No, I never did graduate. I went two years and had 15 units. I had to have 16 to graduate, so I didn't graduate. I played on the football and the basketball teams, both.