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anything. He was one of these kind that don't sell, he would keep it. When he died, it came up for sale. Doc Olson bought it.

Interviewer: Was he ever involved in politics?

Orson Clark: I think he was. I don't know much about it but I think he was a clerk for years, both for the city and the church.

Interviewer: He was really one of the prominent leaders of Farmington then, being a Bishop that long and also manager of the bank and all.

Orson Clark: Yes. Oh, he was a prominent man all right, yes. He was liked by everybody. Like I told you about with me, he would turn people down but he would spend time telling them why they shouldn't borrow.

Interviewer: He just didn't say no, he always told you why he said no.

Orson Clark: He would tell you why you shouldn't borrow. Then when he would get through, if he really didn't want it to end he would say, "Well, come in tomorrow and we'll talk it over." He was good.

Interviewer: The bank really flourished then while he was there.

Orson Clark: As far as I know, that bank has always been on the going up ever since its organization. There are some outsiders that got some of the stock. I don't know how unless it's because they

needed it, unless there was some stock for sale.

Interviewer: Did the bank sell them the stock or did some Clarks sell them the stock?

Orson Clark: I don't know. I know that not too long ago, there was some mention, you know you mentioned about some of the younger Clarks. Like I said there were some feelings that came out of it. Some of them didn't do the thing straight as Amasa would have them do.

Interviewer: He didn't take that very kindly then I take it.

Orson Clark: So that's the way the thing went.

Interviewer: I met him just once. I guess he was over 100 and he was bicycling on his way to the bank.

Orson Clark: They have him a bicycle on his 100th birthday.

Interviewer: That's right, something like that. My father immediately stopped the car. I have forgotten why we came to