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Orson Clark: Well, I haven't known too much about Bryant except when he lived in Georgetown there. He used to come down quite often. Of course he went to BYU to school. As far as outstanding and the like, I don't know anything much about Bryant that way. He was the youngest one you know. Now there is Walter and Melvin, they had problems.

Interviewer: What kind of problems did they have?

Orson Clark: Well, financial problems along the time of the depression. I happened to have fallen heir to a letter or two that they had written to Father. They had problems, financial problems.

Interviewer: An awful lot of people did in those days. Were they farming then?

Orson Clark: Yes. Walter and Melvin always farmed. Walter taught school along with the farming. Melvin, I don't know that he ever did anything except farm. Bryant, I didn't know of him doing anything much only helping there. Then he went to school to the BYU. When he graduated he was induced to go and teach school down in the Colonies.

Interviewer: Apparently he was extremely successful down there, from what I heard. Ruth and I know a number of people in the Colonies. We lived in El Paso and so we got to know a lot of them. We met Bryant and his wife in El Paso a number of years ago. He must have really done a marvelous job down there.

Orson Clark: Bryant has a very fine humor.

Ruth Knowlton: They thought the world of him as superintendent of the Colony schools. He had an outstanding record. Then as teacher, almost all of my friends went to school under him in the Colonies.

Interviewer: You said he had a very good sense of humor?

Orson Clark: Yes, he always had a very good sense of humor. He was good with the people, there was no getting around that. People liked him. He always had an answer for you in a humorous way. He did a good job down there and he was liked down there.

Interviewer: Did he bring his family up here to Farmington very often to visit or anything?

Orson Clark: No, no not that I know of. You see, his wife was from Charleston and for the several years since he has been down to the Colonies when he would come up he would come and call on all of us on his way. There is Rulon, Walter, Me, and Maureen.

Ruth Knowlton: How is Maureen? I heard her health wasn't very