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Transcript of an Oral History, conducted by Clark S. and Ruth Knowlton of Orson and Lucile Clark

Orson Clark: Yes, during the depression. He had a few head of cattle up there. Boy, they would belch and the country would smell of onions, but that was all he had that he could feed them. I remember that. Of course, it was impressed on me so strongly because I knew that he had money one time and now.

Interviewer: He turned over the administration of his affairs to his son?

Orson Clark: Yes. His son bought a lot of sheep and just got them bought and rounded up and the bottom dropped right out of them. It was gone.

Interviewer: That was during the depression?

Orson Clark: Yes. That was the early depression. That was before the '32 one.

Interviewer: That was the 1890's wasn't it? Right in '21 there was a bad depression.

Orson Clark: That was about when it was. I remember because in his last days he was so close to me. He used to work for me. He would come and harness up the horses and take them if he had something to do. If he wanted me he would come and get them and fix it for me. Then they had Elwin, who was my age. I'll tell you, when you go into the lives of Ezra T. Clark's children and families, it is a stalwart bunch.

Interviewer: They certainly are.