

the, you get retired when you're not retiring yourself." And then another time we were just talking along there and he said, "Well, I'd like for you to succeed me," something like that; and I said, "Well, I don't have any ambition to be in the Senate. I'm trying to get seniority and get my chairmanship in the House, and furthermore we feel you pretty well represent us." And he said, "But I..." Those two little hints made me feel that he was, was sick or something. But, of course, but it surprised me when his death came as suddenly as it did. I don't know what he died of, what they, what they said he died with, but it was rather sudden.

- K: Yes, it was. He, as far as you know, had been in pretty good health at least externally...
- P: Yes.
- K: ...until, right up until then.
- P: Yes, you see no indication, but I felt like he had a premonition or something. Two little things that you can't quite put your finger on. That's what.
- K: Did you feel at all that he was aging rapidly towards the end?
- P: I didn't see any indication of that.
- K: O.K. Sir, do you have any idea how he would have financed his campaigns, or how most candidates in Florida say between 1910 and 1930 would have gotten up money? I know it didn't cost anywhere near as much then.
- P: There wasn't much, didn't have much expenses in those days, and I don't have, don't know how he financed them at all. In my case I didn't take contributions. I paid my own way and during that whole time I ran the, I only took then about four thousand dollars and those, those were little contributions, ten or twenty-five dollars. I was afraid I'd hurt the fellow's feelings to send it back. But I've received substantial contributions that I'd immediately returned and thanked them. And I have some instance, a man would send them to me the second or third time and I marked cancelled on the checks and framed them. I never cashed them. But my theory was that I couldn't take the