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**ABSTRACT**

**INTERVIEWEE NAME:** Dr. Lloyd Funchess

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**IDENTIFICATION:** Composer of the LSU Alma Mater, supervisor of music for the State Department of Education

**INTERVIEWER:** Ralph Newell

**SERIES:** University History – Distinguished Alumni

**INTERVIEW DATE:** September 22, 1976

**FOCUS DATES:** 1920-1940

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Composes music for the LSU Alma Mater; new Alma Mater for the university was not immediately accepted; became bandmaster at LSU in 1925; Dr. Uhler, professor of English and composer of "To the Purple and Gold"; Men's Glee Club; begin teaching in the School of Music, 1929; 1930-37, member of the LSU faculty; state supervisor; music school remained on old campus after move; President Thomas Boyd devoted to the University; Dr. Henry W. Stopher promoted music on campus; few benefits for writing the Alma Mater.

**TAPE:** 1 (T24)

**TOTAL PLAYING TIME:** 45 minutes

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