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ABSTRACT

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ABSTRACT:

Tape 604 – Session I

Scottish origins of Caffey family; Caffeys and related families in Louisiana; Caffey born in Grenada, Mississippi in 1929; early life spent in Gore Springs; family moves to Lambert Mississippi; Caffey's schooling; graduates from Walnut Consolidated School; graduates from Mississippi State in 1951 with a degree in agronomy; life on cotton farm; boll weevils and boll worms; no mechanical harvesting; chopping cotton; picking vs. pulling cotton; tar-bottomed sacks; 4-H cotton contest; bales per acre; different varieties of cotton; knee pads; Delta area; flooding; mules; tractors; 4-H Club Congress at Mississippi State; agronomy; rice farming in Mississippi; Future Farmers of America; Caffey deferred from draft during Korean War in his senior year, then entered the army after graduation; military and ROTC career; Caffey in medical airborne division; Caffey tells stories of jumping from planes; enrolls in graduate school in botany at Mississippi State; becomes engaged and marries in 1954; Caffey has four children, one born while at Mississippi State; graduates with his M.S. in August 1955; Mississippi Rice Growers Association; Caffey works in Greenville, Mississippi while also working toward a Ph.D. at LSU; clay soil; Ernest Colmer, dean of the college of agriculture at Mississippi State; Rex Kimbrell; Caffey's wife's maiden name was Jane Claire Hall; wife's background; Caffey's work as a student at LSU; Hill Farm; Corporation Canal; rose garden; horticultural laboratories; sugarcane; corn; Grand Isle; Guiana; Caffey finishes Ph.D. in 1958; Dr. William Giles; Dr. M.T. Henderson; Caffey's research on Orisa Sativa; G.I. Bill; Dr. Rudy Chilton, botany; Dr. Mickey, animal sciences; International Rice Institute; Rockefeller and Ford Foundations; Philippines; IR-8; rice genetics; hybrid rices; China; yields from different rices; Glen Hardy, dean of agriculture at Arkansas; history of rice growing in the United States; rice production in Arkansas; California rice; plant breeding; radiation; rice varieties; the greening of Asia; the Green Revolution; Caffey experiences working under Henderson as a graduate student; Delta Branch Experiment Station; Caffey goes to Stoneville, Mississippi in 1958; Dr. Bill Giles, head of station; Mississippi Rice Growers; coffee beans; Caffey has only rice project on cotton station; Dr. Troy

Mullins, University of Arkansas; USDA-ERS; Caffey offered job of head of rice station in Crowley in 1961; goes in 1962; Dr. Charles Upp, then director of Louisiana Ag Experiment Station; Doyle Chambers hired from Oklahoma in 1964; Nelson Jodon, USDA plant breeder at Crowley; Hank Beachell in Texas and Ted Johnston in Arkansas; International Rice Research Institute; discussion of Jodon; blast resistant rice; popcorn rice; genetics.

Tape 659 – Session II

Caffey graduates from Walnut Consolidated High School, Quitman County, Mississippi; Mississippi Delta; cotton; Caffey's father farmed cotton; mules; prohibition and bootleggers; Caffey's mother didn't want to move to the Delta from Grenada County; flooding; Caffey attends Mississippi State University and majors in agronomy after trying one semester in agricultural administration; Caffey focuses on crops, not soils; graduates 1951; enters the army as a volunteers during the Korean conflict; Fort Riley, Kansas; couldn't be a pilot because of colorblindness, so became a paratrooper.; Fort Benning; returns to Fort Bragg, North Carolina as head of a medical attachment; Eighty-Second Airborne Division; breaks foot during jumping career; honorably discharged in 1954 as a first lieutenant; immediately enrolls in graduate school at Mississippi State; majors in agronomy, crops/plant breeding with a minor in botany; graduates with M.S. degree in 1955; takes job with Mississippi Rice Growers; job requires him to work half time in the Delta and spend the other half doing doctoral work at LSU; in 1958 Caffey goes to Stoneville, Mississippi to the Delta Branch Experiment Station as head of the first funded rice project; Dr. Peter Hogg; Caffey graduates from LSU in the spring of 1959; works with the Rice Marketing Association in Cleveland, Mississippi; buyers mill a sample before giving a bid on rice; uses for broken grains; method of sampling rice; measurements and prices for rice in various states; average yield of rice in the Delta and other locations; California; Louisiana Agricultural Experiment Station; Caffey offered an associate position funded by the Rockefeller Foundation in 1957 at LSU to study rice genetics; Dr. Henderson; Bill Giles, superintendent of the Delta Branch Experiment Station and later President of Mississippi State University; Caffey asked to leave Stoneville to be superintendent of the Rice Research Station at Crowley in 1961; Caffey also interviewed by Dr. Charles Upp, director of the Louisiana State Agricultural Experiment Station; then interviewed by Dr. J. Norman Efferson, dean of the College of Agriculture at LSU; reports to Crowley in January of 1962 at the age of 32; aquaculture at Stoneville; Charles Upp; Dr. Jack Mikell, Upp's associate; Southern Regional Program; Dr. Louis Hawkins; Doyle Chambers; Dean Lee; Experiment Station and Cooperative Extension report to Dean of Agriculture; importance of Dean of College of Agriculture in a land-grant university; Dr. M. T. Henderson was Caffey's major professor; Frank Francioni; Rudy Chilton, sugarcane pathologist; Jose Armador, Assistant Secretary for Science and Education former student of Henderson's; Dr. Bill Patrick, agronomy; Walter Peevy in extension; George Mickey in zoology; Dr. Willis in soils; Dr. Ed Glaze, business manager; Helen Cobb, secretary; greening of Asia; development of high yielding rice; history of Rice Station at Crowley; S. L. Wright and development of varietals rices; Southern gentility and elegance; the release of IR-8 the miracle rice; Nelson Jodon, Hank Beachell, Ted Johnston; Jodon the rice breeder at Croley; Dr. Krush at IRRI; preferences for different rices in different regions and countries; names different varietals developed at Crowley, including Nato and Saturn; new ethic groups expanding appeal for certain varieties today; Uncle Ben's; Oryza, Japonica, Indica; increase in rice consumption in last forty years; Virginia Fontenot, secretary at Crowley; division among employees at Crowley difficult problem; Baptist church; superintendent's home at Crowley;

resolution of personnel problems; beef cattle project; Charlie Bollich, rice breeder; Dr. John Baker, weed science, LSU; Dr. Art Laney, plant pathology, LSU; Bill Patrick, chemistry of flooded soils; replacement of beef cattle pastures with soybean fields in the 1970s; discussion of soybean issues with legislature; attempt to relate station program to cultural practices; lack of input today on legislatures dealing with higher education.

Tape 660 – Session III

Rice production; wet vs. dry planting; propanil; nitrogen; herbicides and insecticides; time frame for maturity; fertilizer; dryers; ratoon or stubble crops; Asia has year round growing season; LSU Rice Experiment Station; Caffey Professor of Agronomy at Crowley; promoted 1963, became superintendent of rice station 1962; professorial ranks in research positions at LSU; Agriculture not a separate campus at the time; interdisciplinary work; graduate faculty; LSU system 1965; Caffey becomes associate director of station in February 1970; at this point still superintendent of Crowley station; funding; cattle industry; future forecasting for projects; group not yet internationally experienced; 1962 outfield and variety tests to assist northeast Louisiana farmers; Ford Foundation grant to do work in India; station funding mostly from the state, some self-generated, no federal money; revolving fund; Hatch money and formula funds; Doyle Chambers, director; Dr. Michael died 1969; research and project records; competition between plant and animal researchers in agriculture; growth of LSU in 1960s and early 70s; not enough funding coming back into agriculture at that time; promotions; importance of public service, research and teaching; competition for funding between state school in Louisiana; concept of land grant university; justifying funding per student; board of supervisors in 1968; Dr. J. Norman Efferson vice chancellor for the university; Howard Hanchey, associate dean of agriculture; Chancellor Cecil Taylor concerned about other schools attacking LSU for having more money per student; Gilbert Durbin, head of the American Sugar Cane League and of committee to studying funding; Johnny Cox; Dr. Norvel Thames; Dr. St. John Chilton; Dr. Woodin; Bernard Sliger; Governor McKeithen; School of Veterinary Medicine; non-formula campuses; non-formula components of formula programs; Vet School out of the formula until 1981; Coordinating Council for Higher Education becomes Board of Regents; Cresap-McCormick management study in 1970 or 71; Durbin committee; Paget; planned traffic loop around LSU that was never completed; lists numerous other recommendations made by Cresap-McCormick study; breakdown of how salaries funded; change to system administration; Cecil Taylor retires in 1974, Paul Murill becomes chancellor; in 1981 Jim Wharton becomes chancellor; Taylor's administration; Center of Excellence for the National Science Foundation; reduced power of Dean of the College of Agriculture under the LSU system; Dr. Efferson Chancellor of the Center for Agriculture Science and Rural Development, a non-degree granting institution; lengthy description of Efferson on personal and professional levels; Efferson's diaries in the archives; James Graugnyard, longtime president of the Farm Bureau Federation; in-depth description of Dr. Madison Sturgess of agronomy; thorough discussion of Norvel Thames; use of recombinant DNA in rice genetics; use of animal genes in plants, etc.; germ plasm; discussion of Doyle Chambers as associate director.

Tape 661 – Session IV

Rice experiment station at Crowley; Caffey was professor of agronomy at Crowley from 1962 until 1970; rice station moved in the 1940s; new location 720 acres on the east side of Crowley; livestock research at old station; old superintendent's home now a rice museum; administrative

building later served as troop headquarters for state police; industrial park; Senator Bill Cleveland; appropriation 320 acres of land for research south of Crowley; Le Blanc and Leonard properties unavailable; bought land from G. C. Meaux; Marion Edwards real estate agent; Dr. M. D. Woodin, LSU vice president; Edwin Edwards was the attorney for the land deal; Mr. Meaux spoke only French, so Edwards had to serve as interpreter as well; Edwards a councilman at the time and had just decided to run for state senate; oil on property; Phillips petroleum; LSU did not own mineral rights; station was able to use one gas well on the property; current property bought from C. J. Freeland and a Mr. Black; laws governing mineral rights and highways; farmers do well with combination of green rice and black oil; drilling; Dr. Murray Hawkins, Geology Department; Caffey fights drilling of oil well; well by Highway 1111; flaring gas; salt looks like snow after flaring; Caffey photographs salt as evidence of potential damage if drilling allowed on ag center land; Dr. Woodin supportive; rice and cattle economy; feed lot work; rice hulls as feed and fuel; Duke Faulkner succeeds Caffey; Caffey's hiring process; Faulkner was an agricultural engineer; Professor Red Wratten; research in India funded by Ford Foundation; Asian rice producers' techniques; water leveling; rice drying and storage; irrigation; salt water problems; industry contaminated bayou water; different problems in southwest Louisiana than in Mississippi Delta; subsidence in Baton Rouge; state and Crowley "trade" land; Wright museum; Blue Rose; plant type selection as performed by Sol Wright; S. L. and Elaine Wright; rice enrichment plant; Wright's hobby of collecting and fixing expensive cars; soybeans; crawfish; Dr. James Avault; south farm; pesticide for rice water weevil; Furadan; testing on crawfish, then duck; Dr. Newsom; Niagra Chemical Company; removal of Aldrien from recommended list; Dale Newsom, head of department of entomology, always last to submit reports; John Newsom wildlife expert; Don Newsom, head of horticulture department in 1970s; appropriation of funds by legislative act for land; Drs. Efferson, Chambers, and Upp; Charles Upp, poultry, promoted to director of Louisiana Agricultural Experiment Station; Caffey hired in 1962; Upp retired 1964 and Chambers became director; Rufus Walker superintendent of rice experiment station in the 50s, became involved in Central and South America; Rockefellers fund work in Venezuela; Austin Harrell, agronomist, acting superintendent; had conflict with agronomist named Myers; Harrell moved to Macon Ridge; Myers moved to Texas; Caffey moves into superintendent's house at Crowley; encounters pre-existing conflict within station; black rice; red rice; kernel color vs. bran layer; uses for broken grains; brewing; Edwin Edwards was the attorney for purchase of new location for rice station; E. Edwards councilman in Crowley at that time; Marion Edwards, his brother, was a former minister and raised funding for International Rice Festival; Nolan, youngest Edwards brother, Acadia Parish District Attorney, killed by a client; Isabel Edwards, sister, worked in insurance and law offices in Crowley and was married to a preacher; Edwin Edwards's older brother lived in Arkansas; Caffey also knew Edwards's parents; birth order of Edwards siblings; support of siblings for Edwin's political career; Edwin runs for state senator; defeats Bill Cleveland; this happens after T. A. Thompson killed in car accident in North Carolina; discussion of Edwards; Tong Sun Park of Korea; Edwards good representative for rice farmers; 1972 race for governor; many strong candidates; J. Bennett Johnston; dock strike; 1971 Rice Festival; Otto Passman, representative from Monroe area; Passman's involvement in international programs; Gordon Dore' Allen; selling rice to Korea; Caffey later subpoenaed as defense witness in Passman's trial; IRS; Edwards brothers also witnesses; Waldo Emerson Jones, president of Grambling also a witness; F. E. Hebert of New Orleans, chair of armed forces committee; Hale Boggs majority whip in House; Joe Waggoner on rules committee; John Rarick of St. Francisville; Speedy Long; Allen Ellender

senate pro tem; Long senate finance committee; Tong Sun Park representative of Korean government, accused of improprieties; Edwards re-election campaign; seeking federal funding for School of Veterinary Medicine; establishing Shreveport medical school; dental school in 68 or 69; Vice President Joe Reynolds; Edwards names P. J. Mills to set up offshore oil port; LOOP system, Louisiana Offshore Oil Port in operation for twenty years; purchase of land from the Black family; Freeland family; Meaux family.

Tape 755 – Session V

Crowley station; C. J. and Barton Freeland; Louisiana Irrigation and Milling company canal; Noah Guedry; Winona Guedry; gummy bushes in Washington; gummy jelly; Opelousas; Bayou Teche; The Wharf restaurant; Port Barry; irrigation canals built by Germans; irrigation by underground pipe; drainage of fields; Caffey's positions with LSU; Dr. J. Norman Efferson; 1977 "Freedom from Hunger" farm bill; Center for Agricultural Science and Rural Development, former name of Ag Center; Dr. Doyle Chambers; Denver Loupe; Bruce Flint; Howard Hanchey, Dean of College of Agriculture; Caffey made Vice Chancellor for Administration and Director of International Programs in 1979; Cooperative Extension Service; Marguerite Hanchey; land grant system; separation of College of Agriculture and Ag Center; Chancellor Paul Murrill; Dr. Johnny Cox; Cox's WWII record; Norville Thames; location of ag programs in 1970; ag administration building; Audubon Hall; botany; forestry, wildlife and fisheries; Julian Miller Hall; John M. Parker Coliseum; USDA bee lab; Knapp Hall; handling of personnel over the years; Virginia Vercher; Nancy Brewick; changes in hiring and promotion procedures; center developed in 1972; Coordinating Council for Higher Education; formula vs. non-formula units; Chancellor Taylor; Cresap McCormick study ca. 1970; A&M title in University's name explained; sea grant; Quinn Coco; O budget and E budget; 1963 Civil Rights Act; changes in legislature from rural to urban representatives; Life Sciences; Efferson always referred to Parker Coliseum as Parker Center; Senator Allen Ellender; Dean Mac Hebert; Sixty Rayburn; state-wide nature of ag center; capital outlay; Chancellor Morton; Caffey first Ph.D. in branch system; School of Veterinary Medicine; commodities; controversy over funding; Farm Bureau; academic freedom; pressure from commodity groups; development of human resources as way to shrink poverty rolls; public perception of LSU; Japanese rice crisis of 1993; Dr. A. C. Harper; John Hunter; Vice President McDougall; Dr. Woodin.

Tape 756 – Session VI

Central administration; Caffey becomes vice chancellor in 1979; Dr. J. Norman Efferson, lengthy description and discussion; Efferson's diaries; Efferson's unusual test of a country's economic well-being; Efferson as recorder of data and crop breeder; duck hunting; Efferson's personal label of hot sauce; state budget committee; South America; Nelson Rockefeller; politics; Efferson's personality; Ag Center; Farm Bureau; livestock; Louisiana Cattlemen Association; Dr. Bill Turner; Glen Hembry; Dr. Ike Smart; Johnny Cox; Dr. James Peltier; School of Veterinary Medicine; Dr. Woodin; Les Flowers; Caffey's role as vice chancellor; 1977 Freedom from Hunger Act; Denver Loupe; Louisiana Cooperative Extension; Norville Thames; Caffey considered for chancellor in 1980; ag administration building; 1968 decisions about extension services; Knapp Hall; Dr. Stephen Nicholson; urban gardening in New Orleans; commodity groups; 4-H clubs; Farm Bureau; Dr. Doyle Chambers; Caffey's conflicts with Alvin (A.C.) Harper begin; both up for chancellor job; Jerry McKernan; Harper gets job; Harper tries to get rid of Caffey, but Caffey's tenure keeps him from being completely out of a job; Efferson

to rescind retirement; compromise reached; 1980-1981 work situation; Jim Gagnard offers Caffey job with Farm Bureau, Caffey recommends Jim Monroe instead; Caffey later makes effort to mend fences with Harper; search committee; further discussion of competition between Harper and Caffey for job; Harper's blue suits; Harper's skill in facility development; Caffey at LSUA; returns to Ag Center after Harper dismissed/resigned; December 1993 board meeting; Camille Gravel; Pat Taylor; influence of Farm Bureau; Harper's areas of support; Cooperative Extension; Buck Green; Caffey named chancellor of ag center in 1984; John McKeithen.

Tape 757 – Session VII

Farm Bureau; influence on Ag Center; Farm Bureau biases; comments on faculty and staff; public involvement in evaluation of faculty; extension and research; urbanization of extension; commodity groups; funding; Cattlemen Association; poultry industry; clinical group; issues involved in promotion of professors; variety testing; public service; began upgrading faculty in 1962; publishing as a priority; evaluation now done internally at Ag Center; teaching responsibilities; College of Agriculture; James Graugnard as leader of Farm Bureau; lengthy discussion of Graugnard; D.E.Q.; Department of Natural Resources; insurance; board chooses Dr. A.C. Harper for chancellor, although Farm Bureau supports Caffey as a candidate in 1980; Efferson's announcement of retirement; Caffey leaves to become chancellor at LSUA in 1981; Harper retires in 1983; Caffey move from director of international programs to chancellor at LSUA; President Woodin; Dr. Fricke; Dean Morris of LSUA; Caffey values his time at Alexandria; difference in searches since implementation of equal opportunity policies; problems with negative press at LSUA; Dean Abrams; Dr. Cleveland quits his job at LSUA; Jim Wharton; Chancellor Frank of LSUA; people in Alexandria upset that Vet School was being developed in Baton Rouge, not there; Caffey's dealings with Alexandria media; salary questions; Caffey tries to disarm faculty who had been anti-administration at LSUA; President Orzye of Northwestern; Don Kelly; Jimmy Long; Bill Arceneaux; England Air Force Base; conflict between LSUA and Northwestern; Caffey respects Bob Allost, who replaced Orzye as president; enrollment juggling for the sake of funding at Northwestern; formula funding; LSU Eunice; problems with transfer credits; LSU Shreveport; differences in names of campuses; Dean Lee Agricultural Experiment Station; selection and use of acreage in Alexandria; cattle research; Louis Stevens; pork production; Bo Nipper, superintendent of Dean Lee station for many years; Bossier City, Red River Research station; Dr. Blake Blakewood; diagnostic lab; Commissioner Odom; Dr. Rex Every; Bob Odom; Doyle Chambers; periodic training units; nursing program at LSUA; Barbara Odom; move to make LSUA a four-year institution; Louisiana Baptist College in Pineville; Monroe, McNeese, Natchitoches; Dr. Helen Dunn, dean of nursing at New Orleans; Ed Michael.

Tape 806 – Session VIII

How Caffey went from Chancellor at LSUA to Chancellor of the Ag Center; Denver Loupe; Pat Taylor; A.C. Harper; Woodin; Governor McKeithen; Doyle Chambers; Cary Owen, son of former professor Corbin Owen hired as business officer for Ag Center; discussion of Pat Taylor; Harper's retirement; Woodin makes Harper vic president for facilities development; associate director of Louisiana Cooperative Extension Service, Dr. Buck Green; buildings; Norman Efferson; Denver Loupe and James Wharton; National Association for State Colleges, Universities and Land Grant Colleges; state Soil and Water committee; Harper's administrative style; Ruth Miller, attorney who was on the board at the time; Allen Copping; Norvelle Thames; Rural Development; USL supporters upset with LSU's level of funding; Gilbert Durbin, general

manager of American Sugar Cane League; Cresap-McCormick; study recommends in 1972 that Center for Agricultural Sciences and Rural Development be created; Medical School in New Orleans; law center; Dr. Howard Hanchey, dean of College of Agriculture; Doyle Chambers experiment station director; Efferson as chancellor; Prentiss Schilling; A & M colleges and land grant universities; other institutions' administrative structures as compared to LSU's; Coordination Council for Higher Education put forth state appropriation formula for higher education; new constitution, 1973; IFAS, Food and Agricultural Science; CEEFAR, Coalition for Education and Environment, Food, Agriculture and Renewable Resources; addition of "food" to agriculture; sustainable agriculture; logo developed; public relations; cattlemen; animal science; user groups; plant variety development; mission oriented research; Ukraine; Leodry Williams; discussion of Doyle Chambers; Duke Faulkner; 1987 Hatch Act; Helen Cobb; John Hunter; discussion of Denver Loupe; Johnny Cox; Bruce Flynt; Norvelle Thames; Dr. Orin Little; Kirk Kerr; Charlie Barnhardt at Kentucky; Jimmy Graugnard and Farm Bureau; Little returns to Kentucky.

Tape 807 – Session IX

Burl Watts, former head of poultry science; Catherine Watts; Alvin Bertrand; Kenilworth and Perkins offices; Penning Biomedical Center built on Perkins Road farm site; A.C. Harper; relocation of poultry farm; Ben Hur location; J.B. Frye; Bill Turner; Glenn Hembry; George Robertson; Gordon Dore; board meetings; pay cycles; Johnny Cox; Knapp Hall; Robert B. Lank; W.T. Oglesby; Dr. Jack Michael, associate director of Ag Experiment Station; Macon D. "Duke" Faulkner; Glenn Hembry; Paul Humes; W.H. Alexander; Schwegmann; LABC, Louisiana Animal Breeding Co-op; Howard Hanchey; Charlie Curtis, associate dean; School of Vocational Education; Hanchey's health; Prentiss Schilling; Ken Koonce; Bart Farthing; lengthy discussion of Schilling; Dr. Purvis, head of horticulture; Carolyn Hargrave; Vocational Education; Human Ecology; Forestry, Wildlife and Fisheries; Leslie Glasgow; Dale, John and Don Newsom; insecticide testing; Chancellor Taylor; Integrated Pest Management; Dr. Julian Miller; Lynn Hawthorne; John Newsom; Tom Hansborough; Hill Farm experiment station in Homer; Dr. Avault; Edwin Edwards; Gordon Dore.

Tape 805 – Session X

Selection of Perkins Road farm as site of Pennington Biomedical Center; new poultry farm; 1947 legislature established the Perkins Road area as agricultural; Kenilworth; Ben Hur; high water on the Mississippi in 1973-4; levee; reconstruction of levee and evacuation of subdivision; Allen Copping wanted Pennington Center in New Orleans, but Doc Pennington wanted it in Baton Rouge; conference building; Bilbo Williams; Alvin Bertrand, Boyd Professor of rural sociology; Louisiana Retired Teachers Association; Gordon Dore and Martin Woodin; Chancellor Taylor; Duke Faulkner and Rouse Caffey hired on the same day in 1968; EEO requirements; Crowley Rice Mill; discussion of Woodin's military record; discussion of Dore's family; Edwin Edwards; Bill Oglesby; Dr. Francioni; Charles Broussard; Cow Island; cattle; Kaplan and Vermillion Parish; Cecil Taylor; Taylor's interest in French; offices held by Taylor; Paul Murrill; budgets; student protests in office of the chancellor; Taylor's clever handling of student protestors; hiring of Murrill; James Wharton; Caffey's personal relationship with Murrill; Martin Woodin replaces John Hunter as president; discussion of Hunter; Hunter friends with Gov. McKeithen; Dr. Ted Williams of Tuskegee visits campus; Governor's breakfast; William Bonifay, assistant to Dr. Woodin; Bill MacDougal; Lamar Cooper; federal investigation of McKeithen and MacDougall's

trial; Joe Reynolds; Bob Walker; National Science Foundation; Walter Calhoun; Quinn Coco; Dr. Barth; Odrie Ortego; Jim Wharton; Prentiss Schilling; budgets.

Tape 808 – Session XI

James Wharton former chemistry professor and Chancellor of LSU; Martin Woodin former President of LSU; comparison between Wharton and Woodin; the changes in the relationship between LSU and the state legislators; Sean McGlynn former Vice Chancellor under Wharton; controversies between Wharton and Caffey; Aquaculture; controversies between Caffey and McGlynn; James Trayham former Vice Chancellor; William Cooper former Vice Chancellor; the development of the School of Human Ecology under the College of Agriculture; Dr. Julius Miller former professor of Horticulture, famous for sweet potato research; University owned land near Idlewild; Dr. Madison Sturgis former professor of Agronomy; Caffey coming to LSU and meeting Sturgis; Louis Wise LSU graduate and later Vice President of Mississippi State; Dawson Johns former Dean of Branch Station Superintendents administration style and characterization; memories of Nelson Jodon famous rice researcher and developer of rice varieties; Jimmie Davis former member of the LSU Board of Supervisors and Governor of Louisiana; Murphy Foster former member of the LSU Board of Supervisors; William S. Peck former member of the LSU Board of Supervisors; Carlos Spaht former member of the LSU Board of Supervisors; a comparison between the Board of Supervisors of 1968-1974 and the 1995 Board of Supervisors; Mrs. Ruth Miller former member and first female Chairman of the LSU Board of Supervisors; John Roussel former professor of entomology, coordinator of the Cotton Contact Committee and coordinator of the branch stations; Walter Peevy; Caffey's involvement with the Joint Council for Food and Agriculture; the use of the term agriculture; Caffey's opinion on relocating the Center of Agricultural Science to the Baton Rouge campus.

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