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The Hundred-Third Annual Commencement of Fagetteville State University



Sunday, May 11, 1980 Two Chirty D'Clock In The Afternoon Cumberland County Memorial Arena Fayetteville, North Carolina

COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER

REVEREND JESSE L. JACKSON FOUNDER AND NATIONAL PRESIDENT OF OPERATION PUSH

REVEREND JESSE LOUIS JACKSON began his college career at the University of Illinois with the aid of a football scholarship and went on to receive his Bachelor of Science Degree in sociology at A&T State University in North Carolina. During his college experience, he demonstrated and exercised his potential for leadership, and his academic achievement attested to the value he placed on extensive education and self-development. He has been recognized by the conferral of Honorary Doctorate degrees from over 22 colleges and universities including: A&T State University, Chicago Theological Seminary, Pepperdine University, Oberlin University, Oral Roberts University and Howard University.

He has received repeated National acclaim beginning with his 1967 appointment as Director of Operation Breadbasket by the late Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. He continued in this capacity until December, 1971, at which time he founded Operation P.U.S.H (People United to Save Humanity). He has continued to devote himself selflessly to the development of Operation PUSH, the commitment to improving the quality of life of underprivileged and minority groups; to the PUSH for Excellence in Education (PUSH-EXCEL) program, a program begun in 1977; and the promotion of educational development based on a total involvement concept.

As a lecturer, he has appeared before several professional and college groups including the Democratic National Convention, the Republican National Committee, the Association for the Study of Afro-American Life and Study, the National League of Cities, the National Conference of Mayors, the National Urban League Conference, the United Negro College Fund, the University of Notre Dame, Tennessee State University, the National Council of Churches, the National Conference of Christians and Jews, the Department of Health, Education and Welfare, the National Education Association, the National Catholic Education Association, the National Association of Secondary School Principals, the American Federation of Teachers, Phi Delta Kappa, the American Public Health Association, the National Institute of Health, and the National Conference of Social Welfare.

Reverend Jackson has been the recipient of several distinguished awards, including the 1977 Golden Key Award, an award presented annually by the American Association of School Administrators; the 1978 Rockefeller Public Award; and the 1979 Belarmine Medal. In association with Universal Syndicate, Reverend Jackson writes a column which appears in over 75 newspapers nationwide, including the <u>Fayetteville Times</u>, and was formerly a columnist with the Los Angeles Times Syndicate. He has been a distinguished lecturer at the University of Southern California, and has made several guest appearances on nationally broadcast television programs including "60 Minutes."

An ordained Baptist minister, Reverend Jesse Louis Jackson presently serves as an Associate Minister of the Fellowship Baptist Church in Chicago, where he resides with his wife and their five children.

COMMENCEMENT BAND CONCERT E. Diane Lyle, Acting Conductor

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	Stainer
	The University Choir
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INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER	
COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS	Founder and National President of Operation PUSH Chicago, Illinois
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CONFERRING OF DEGREES	
Presentation of Honor Candidates Candidates for the Baccalaureate Degree and Candidates for the Associate of Arts Degree	
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ANNOUNCEMENTS AND RECOGNITIONS	The Chancellor
ALMA MATER	Old White and Blue"
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	The University Chair
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Guests are asked to remain in their seats until all the graduates have left.	Please restrict all picture taking to the area designated for taking pictures.

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ACADEMIC ATTIRE*

American academic attire had its orgins in medieval English universities. It was devised to distinguish academic persons such as doctors, licentiates, masters and bachelors from the lay person, in that everyone wore robes or gowns to ward off the cold. The wearing of the gown, hood and cap was adopted by American colleges and universities from this English custom.

The cap, in academic dress, has the same design for all degrees. Mortarboards are generally recommended, although soft square-topped caps are permissible. The tassel that hangs from the center of the cap usually designates the field of study of the wearer. The black tassel is correct for all degrees; however, the gold tassel is worn by doctors.

The gown, unlike the cap, differs considerably in design according to the degree conferred on the wearer. The gown for the Bachelor's degree has pointed sleeves. It is designed to be worn closed. The gown for the Master's degree has an oblong sleeve. The sleeve base hangs down in the traditional manner. The rear part of its oblong shape is square cut and the front part has an arc cutaway. The gown may be worn open or closed. The gown for the Doctor's degree has bell-shaped sleeves. It is faced down the front with black velvet with three bars of the same across the sleeves; or these facings and crossbars may be of velvet of the color distinctive of the subject to which the degree pertains.

The hood for the Bachelor's degree is three feet in length, for the Master's degree, three and a half feet in length, and for Doctor's degree, four feet with panels at the sides. It is lined with the official colors of the university conferring the degree. Also, the discipline of the wearer is indicated by the colors in the hood.

The following is a list of colors as prescribed by the intercollegiate code to represent different disciplines in the institution:

Arts, Letters and Humanities White

Business Administration Sapphire Blue

Education Light Blue

Music Pink

Physical Education Sage Green Science Gold Yellow

Social Sciences Citron

*Knowles, Asa S. (ed), <u>Handbook of College and University Administration</u>, McGraw-Hill Book Company, New York, 1970

COME, THOU ALMIGHTY KING

Come, thou almighty King, Help us thy name to sing, Help us to praise! Father all glorious, O'er all victorious, Come and reign over us, Ancient of Days!

Come, thou incarnate Word, Gird on thy mighty sword, Our prayer attend; Come, and thy people bless, And give thy Word success; Spirit of holiness; On us descend!

ALMA MATER "Old White and Blue"

Our colors so true, Oh Hail, White and Blue! To thee our voices ring Tho' seasons may roll, and changes unfold Thy Praise we'll ever sing.

All honor and love and loyalty
We pledge our hearts anew,
Our Alma Mater F. S. U.
We hail Thee, Old White and Blue.

We cherish each hall, each time honored wall Each bending tree and bower Tho' far we may roam, Thy spirit leads on To Victory and power.

With courage and might and majesty March on old colors true, Our Alma Mater, F. S. U. We'll stand by Old White and Blue! University Colors "White and Blue"

Hniversity Motto Res Non Verba "Deeds Not Words"

University Mascot "Bronco"