

UW Black Students Backed

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University of Wisconsin black students received outspoken support Friday night from a leader in the civil rights movement.

The Rev. Jesse L. Jackson, director of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference's (SCLC) "Operation Breadbasket" in Chicago, Ill., said that demands made on the University of Wisconsin earlier in the day "should be followed to the letter." (See story, Sec. 1, Page 1.)

MR. JACKSON, who arrived an hour and a half late to par-

ticipate in the Black Revolution Conference at the University, spoke to a packed audience in Great Hall of the Memorial Union Building.

He said blacks must continue to rebel and make demands until the administration responds "because the University has an intellectual and moral obligation" to combat racism.

The slender, mustached, and handsome Mr. Jackson delivered a fiery oratory but sounded more like a dynamic college professor than a minister.

HE SAID he saw no problem of black students and white teaching assistants, who are threatening a strike against a

cut in their tuition remissions, joining forces "if all those concerned can see beyond their separate demands."

Mr. Jackson blamed American universities for not providing the adequate atmosphere for black Americans to fight their way out of poverty and misery.

He pointed to the University of Wisconsin when he asked, "Is the UW preparing black students to take over banks as presidents? Is it preparing them to take over the communications apparatus?"

He said the United States has only three black banks at this time.

MR. JACKSON also took a strong swipe at the UW's history. He charged that the "Teutonic Theory of Racial Origin," which says that Europeans, mainly Germans, are members of a superior people, was formulated here.

"Do you have the apparatus to interject black students to the history that the UW helped separate them from?" he asked.

OPENING HIS talk with a condemnation of the United States Constitution and its founding fathers, Mr. Jackson said, "The Constitution tried justifying slavery out of economic needs."

Tracing the plight of black Americans through history, Mr. Jackson castigated economists, politicians, sociologists, and national institutions for "justifying slavery and injecting it into the marrow of America."

MR. JACKSON lifted the blame of racism from the shoul-

ders of poor whites in the South and removed sections of the North and cast it upon the development of mercantile and, then later, industrial capitalism and their supporters.

"The poor whites had no choice," he said.

Mr. Jackson had no kind words for President Abraham Lincoln's freedom of the slaves because, he said, blacks were thrust upon society without any kind of power base. He called it a "state of limbo" because black Americans were severed from their homeland of Africa.

"LINCOLN did not free us; he released us into a more cruel system. He put us into capitalism without a capital base, and that only leaves the 'ism' or the bark of the tree," he said.

Mr. Jackson said he preferred the term "colony" to "ghetto" "because blacks live in a certain geographical area but do not own it."

"The colonies provide a marginal profit, a cheap labor base, and soldiers," he said.

"THE TRAGEDY of the American black community is that it is separate and dependent instead of being separate and independent," he added.

Occasionally stopping to inject: "You all follow what I'm saying?" Jackson continued to criticize racism in American society but did not leave his audience without some hope.

"WE MUST connect ourselves as a people to determine how we will relate to America, but we must have power," he said. "The real racism is not among you students. You're just following a few of the habits of your daddies," he added.

Mr. Jackson offered the greatest bit of hope when he said, "Black and white must strive together to arrive at the height of beauty."

Methodist Names Joyce L. Alford Nurse Director

Joyce L. Alford, R.N., 2434 Fontaine Circle, has been appointed director of nursing at Methodist Hospital.

A native of Waunakee, Miss Alford graduated from Method-



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ist Hospital School of Nursing and then served for two years as a staff nurse and assistant head nurse at Methodist Hospital.

She received her Bachelor's and master's degrees at Western Reserve, Cleveland, O., and was later elected to Sigma Theta Tau, a national nursing honor society.

She returned to Methodist Hospital in 1961 as instructor and medical-surgical nursing coordinator in the Nursing School. In 1966 she became associate director of nursing education, a position she held until her appointment as director.

Professors for Peace in Mid-East to Meet

Some 40 representatives of the American Professors for Peace in the Middle East from colleges in the upper Midwest will hold their first regional meeting Sunday at the O'Hare Inn, Des Plaines, Ill.

Prof. Richard L. Venzky, University of Wisconsin, is one of the coordinators of the afternoon session which will hear Dr. Simcha-Dinitz, minister of information of the Israeli Embassy in Washington; present a briefing on the current Middle East situation.

Candidates Talk

Two candidates for the Board of Education, Julia Dixon and Sharon Black, will speak at an informal coffee from 3 to 6 p.m. Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sternbach, 1110 Harrison St. Anyone interested in meeting the candidates is invited to attend.

Youth for Christ Holds Rally Tonight

Youth for Christ in Madison will sponsor a rally at 7:30 p.m. tonight in the Crystal Ballroom of Hotel Loraine.

Featured will be a court of honor including Colleen Cleary, Miss Wisconsin Teenager of 1968, and Homecoming Queens Nicky Prideaux, East High; Judy Paterson, Monona Grove; and Ann Niedermeier, Memorial.

A movie, "Hey There, Vonda," starring former Miss America Vonda Kay Van Dyke will be shown, and music will be provided by the Jerry Jensen Teen Chorale from Racine.

Club Volleyball

The Madison Dominic Club, a social organization for single Catholics 21 and over, will play volleyball at 7 p.m. Sunday at the Holy Name Seminary.