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Challenge dangerous ideas

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If the former is true, and he rejects all white women as poten-
tial dates simply because they are white, then he is simply a racist, and any criticism of others for being racist is hypocrisy. (And therefore, attacking Pre/Feminists for hypocrisy is itself hypocriti-
cal.) If the latter is true, and white women aren't interested in him, I suggest the chip on his shoulder be so prominently dis-played in his column may have something to do with it.

However, I suspect the former reason is true, i.e., he rejects white women because they are white. This can be inferred by looking at the racist ideas permeat-ing his column. These ideas are the most objectionable thing I find about the column. Particu-
larity offensive is his division of blacks into two classes: the truly black and those who are "in skin color only."

The main idea implied by this division is the idea that one's race is a primary factor in determin-
ing the content of one's mind and character, and should therefore dictate one's actions. To be a true black, according to Mr. Dickens, a black-skinned person must know about other blacks and join self-segregated activities with pre-
dominantly black memberships. Black-skinned people who come from Moslems or who choose their friends and associates non-racially are "black in skin color only."

This kind of rhetoric transforms race from a mere physical property to a state of mind and an ideology. (If you think "ideology" is too strong a term, observe that "Credo," a slur for someone "black in skin col-
or but white on the inside, is often shouted at black free-market economists Thomas Sowell and Walter Williams, as well as other black-skinned people who stray from the Party Line.)

The way in which people think is supposed to be determined by their race, and anyone who dares to think differently is disowned by his race. In the words of so-cialis philosopher J. G. Fichte, "the individual life has no real existence ... while, on the con-
tary, the Race alone exists, since it alone ought to be looked upon as living."

I find it ironic that Tech staff-
en were putting last Friday's issue together, and giving Dickens' rac-
ic column a prominent position on the editorial pages, during the very days when people were cele-
brating the 40th anniversary of the defeat of the country which most faithfully implemented Mr. Dickes' ideas. For the Nazis told the same beliefs that he holds, that race transcends indi-
viduals.

According to Nazi ideology, there are no absolutes, and truth for an individual depends on his race; what's right for any Aryan may not be right for anyone else. They borrowed these ideas from Fichte and others (including Marx, who substituted "class" for "race"). They ten plumed (Please turn to page 11)

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