

A leap in wrong direction

At the SGA meeting last Monday, a constitution proposing a White Student Union was presented to the Senate for ratification. After an half hour of heated discussion, the constitution was withdrawn. However, the emotions are still unsettled.

The first impressions caused by the proposed White Student Union, was that feelings of racism and white supremacy motivated the organizing students. In view of the history of the relationship between whites and racial minorities, fear of an overt movement of racism and white supremacy is an understandable reaction.

Black students on campus were especially given reasons to fear the proposed organization, considering the fact that the organizers continuously inferred that the existence of the Black Student Union was a reason for needing a White Student Union. Further anxiety was caused by the fact that the constitution of the proposed White Student Union imitated the constitution of the Black Student Union, differing only in replacing the word Black with the word White.

The constitution of the proposed White Student Union outlined the organization's purposes as being the promotion of white

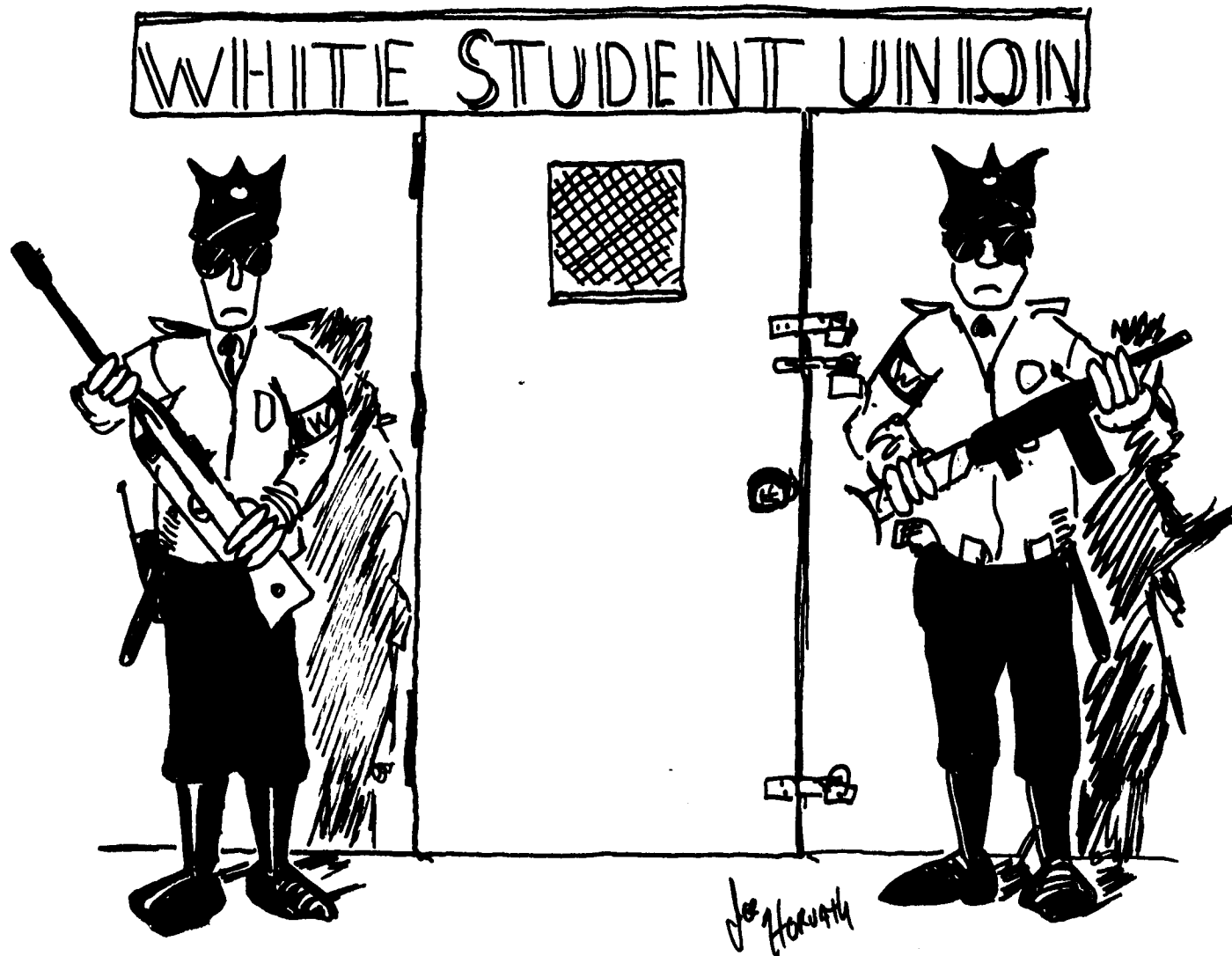
pride and unity, white heritage and white cultural events. Unfortunately, the promotion of white oriented activities is dominant on campus as a result of Capitol Campus being controlled by a white majority. Given this fact, the promotion of minority activities, and not majority activities, should be given organized support in order to assure recognition in our majority oriented community.

Hopefully, white dominance was not the intention of the proposed White Student Union. Sadly, it was an implication.

Yet, the proposal of a White Student Union does indicate

feelings of dissatisfaction on the part of the white students involved in relationship to black students on campus. However, proposing a White Student Union, as the means of handling any dissatisfaction, is jumping to the extreme.

In this case, a better approach to any perceived difficulties is sending an open letter to the C.C. Reader inviting response on the issue, and presenting a letter to the members of the SGA requesting them to look into the matter. In this way the campus community can discuss and air out any problems in a less threatening way.



Letter To Editor

Vendorville Prices Questioned

Editor:

Crackers 2 cents—that's the last straw! When is the administration and /or the student government going to take a good hard look at the books in Vendorville and come up with an equitable pricing policy. It appears that prices are over and above profit-making outfits such as McDonalds, Burger King, etc. It also appears that prices change from day to day, with no warning or justification.

Other college cafeterias have a far more varied and less expensive menu, better hours and service.

One gets the feeling, when going through the line, that the roly-poly gentleman, "the enforcer" as he is affectionately known, is doing the student community a favor, instead of keeping in mind that the students are paying his salary and that of his staff. Let's get on the stick and

get Vendorville in order. It would be nice to see announcements of pricing policies in the paper or posted somewhere.

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