

White Men Win Again

(Hearing on the news that City Council voted to not allow affirmative action hiring policies in the Toronto Fire Department, 2 February 1993)

White men win again
like they always do

White men win again
claiming reverse discrimination
because of affirmative action

white men win again
their friends in city council
voting for them; upholding their views
that white men should remain in control

white men win again
sending us a clear message:
fire department must remain white

white men win again
getting preferential treatment again
asserting their claim to rule the world again
asserting their claim to be top dog again
letting the rest of us know that white supremacy
is as strong as ever again.

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