Obscene no-no's

College censorship grows

By Sidie Schridt

(CPS) — Although "freedom of the college press" is touted almost universally on American campuses, a large number of student papers have been harassed or penetrated by administrators, advisors and printers who don't like four-letter words.

In most cases the editor was not writing editorials judged obscene, or even printing literary works with four-letter words — but just printing news stories containing things their "imperious" didn't like.

And in some cases the opposition, levied on obscenity, not superficially or obliquely, was obviously attempting to stymie down on student editors for political reasons.

Two things have become clear this fall as this rush of events forms small tightly controlled papers to large university dailies: the people who run colleges are no longer so sure they really want students independently managing their own newspapers, and a great many of academe's "forward-thinking" adults may be able to take their kids' advice in the political arena, but they still have a Maypole-Dalley-obsession with obscenity.

The word "fuck," long a commonwealth in youthful vocabularies, and also in the paper's editor's policy would be the same with or without Smoot.

At a number of a university's publications, the paper's problem has not been the administration but its printer. At New York City's Hunter College, for example, the job printer who handles many of the city's small college papers refused to print the eye's second full issue ran a four-page supplement containing a long autobiographical piece by a black student. The Observer's printer also refused to run the supplement.

The Chicago Daily News printed a "fuck" for the second straight week in a manner that caused the language, try to fire editors and have papers confiscated when they are as it is in print.

At the University of Wisconsin last week, the Daily Cardinal Editor. Geoffrey H. Moore, acting as printer, refused to print the Daily Cardinal's entire paper. The editor said an anonymous reader had submitted a story containing "sex language." The story was a CPS release on the SDS October National Council meeting, quoting from the CPS story and from a story about the Wisconsin controversy, State University State News printed a three top editor's selection. The Cardinal was instead ordered to appear before the Regents this winter with "a plan and plan and insurance. In addition, a fellow receives a stipend of $1,000

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