## —— News From The States —— THIS WEEK IN COMMENTARY

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TOP COMMENTARY OF THE WEEK

# Kansas newspaper raid draws plenty of attention, but journalists defy threats across U.S.

Clay Wirestone | Kansas Reflector



Jerry Ryan delivers Wednesday's edition of the Marion County Record to distribution worker Bev Baldwin.

(Sherman Smith/Kansas Reflector)

After Kansas Reflector reported on the <u>ignominious and unconstitutional raid</u> of the Marion County Record on Aug. 11, news outlets and commentators from across Kansas and the nation followed suit throughout the weekend. The voices of those who value a free press and free expression <u>were overwhelming</u> in their force and intensity.

Eight days later, with the Record's equipment returned and reporters digging into circumstances surrounding the raid, it can be tempting to think that justice has been done. Time to pack up, nothing more to see here. Freedom has won, and we can all sail into the sunset.

Nothing could be further from the truth.

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#### From unconstitutional to outrageous

Sonny Albarado | Arkansas Advocate

#### An undemocratic circus act

Holly McCall | Tennessee Lookout

#### Beyond the brawl: Montgomery's Black community has always fought back

Brian Lyman | Alabama Reflector

#### Book banning, reshelving has reached ridiculous heights

Niki Kelly | Indiana Capital Chronicle

### Emmer knows Biden won, which means he knows Trump committed a crime against democracy

J. Patrick Coolican | Minnesota Reformer

<u>Could Nevada's Republican presidential primary be – gasp! – meaningful?</u>

**Hugh Jackson** | Nevada Current



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