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## THIS WEEK IN COMMENTARY

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Welcome to the best opinion pieces of the week from **News From The States**. Our commentary includes our own journalists from across our extensive network as well as outside voices to bring a wide range of perspectives and ideas. In addition to the sampling below, [you can look through all our commentary here](#).

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TOP COMMENTARY OF THE WEEK

***Joan Meyer, Marion newspaper owner, gave cops a piece of her mind. Honor her righteous indignation.***

Clay Wirestone | *Kansas Reflector*

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*Flowers in the newsroom of the Marion County Record on Wednesday from fellow journalists offer sympathy for the death of co-owner Joan Meyer.*

*(Max McCoy for Kansas Reflector)*

Joan Meyer, the 98-year-old co-owner of the Marion County Record, finally had her say Monday. Boy, did we get a talking-to.

Meyer's previous silence was sadly excusable. She died of cardiac arrest Aug. 12, a day after unconstitutional police raids on her home and beloved newspaper.

But the whole world heard her loud and clear Monday, thanks to a video released by the Record showing her confrontation with officers.

Suffice to say, she had some choice words.

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**[Register caucus poll shows ‘hands off’ approach to Trump isn’t working](#)**

Kathie Obradovich | *Iowa Capital Dispatch*

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**[The Nevada question they should have asked at the debate](#)**

Hugh Jackson | *Nevada Current*

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**[Misrepresentative lawmaking will continue in Ohio until voters have fair maps](#)**

David DeWitt | *Ohio Capital Journal*

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**[Alabama’s redistricting strategy: Everyone embarrass themselves](#)**

Brian Lyman | *Alabama Reflector*

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**[WVU troubles not surprising with Gee’s history of lavish spending](#)**

Leann Ray | *West Virginia Watch*

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**[40 acres and then some](#)**

Samantha Willis | *Virginia Mercury*

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**[N.J. Catholic school’s actions may be more troubling to kids than seeing an unwed mother](#)**

Nancy Colasurdo | *New Jersey Monitor*

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