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Drugs, Sex, Violence, Shiloh

Wade Condict

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As many of you probably read in Friday's paper, our Governor Shiloh Dutton has been implicated in a massive drug ring. Officials reported Friday that this drug ring is centered in a three county area that includes MacArthur, Eisenhauer, and Marshall counties. The Lt. Governor Bradford Long was not suspected but is being ques-

tioned at this time.

Shiloh had no comment as of 10:00 am Friday morning and is focusing his efforts on his governor duties. Shiloh became a suspect after several people residing in MacArthur county reported Ryan Hudnall as being the leader of a substantial meth lab. Eyewitnesses also reported seeing Shiloh and Ryan meeting several times throughout the week.

Authorities searched Ryan's room and found a note that read "Shiloh, I need the \$ for the drugs. Hurry, Ryan". High Patrol said that "with the massive evidence against Shiloh and Ryan, this should be an open and shut case".

Ryan Hudnall has had a previous record with prostitution and the production of ecstasy. Clayton Issitt stated "It's really pathetic when our state elects a drug addict drug dealer pimp and wonders why unemployment is up".

Shiloh is expected to go to trial later today and

is expected to be found guilty. In Shiloh's absence, Lt. Governor Bradford Long will fill in. His reign is much anticipated, as he will clearly do a better job representing and leading our state.

"It is disappointing that Shiloh's Governorcy turned out the way it did. Scandal after scandal rocked Kansas this week but we all learned something about electing a governor I think. Way to go Shiloh."

Senate Plays too Much

Dear Editor,

This letter is to voice my concern about the attitude of our Legislative bodies. The first day that the Senate was in session we passed several useful bills that would help the state of Kansas. However, by the second day we were in session the attitude of our senators severely declined. By Friday, the number of paper airplanes flying through the air rivaled that of the United State Air Force. Parliamentary procedure is non-existent. As secretary of the Senate, it is difficult to keep minutes when every

one is speaking at the same time. No one respects the person who has the floor. Friday, a bill was introduced that would form a gaming commission that would regulate gambling in the state of Kansas. Many senators reacted with, "That is stupid, let's strike it." This was said with out any chance for debate. Debate is essential to a successful representational government. I am very disappointed in my fellow Senators who seem to believe that they can jack around with no consequences. There are a few Senators who do care and

they can do nothing to voice their opinions because every one is screwing around. I cannot see how these guys were elected to the Senate because it is quite obvious to me that many do not care what happens to bills. Some are more concerned with passing legislation that would force scantily clad women to serve our meals. Sure, any guy would go for that, but this is the Senate, not the Commission on Babes. The only reason many bills were passed was due to the fact that some Senators did not want to miss out on their recreation time. I cannot

express my dissatisfaction with the Senate in this letter. I would like to give this word of advice to those who are in charge of Boys' State. Two or three counselors cannot keep 110 Senators and Representatives in check. I would suggest more supervision at the Senate and the House of Representatives. I have ranted more than I probably should have, but I am sure that many people agree with me.

Andrew Roozeboom Secretary of the Senate HaneyCity, Kennedy County

Readers Voice Their Opinions

Again the leftest news has used lie and deception to tear down the right. Just the sound of Reaganomics makes the left cringe in fear, however it is not because of recession but because of a Right man creating a flowering economy. What is misunderstood is the full structure of Reaganomics. First we have stimulant and then it is followed by an economic factor that puts the stimulant into full effect. For Reagan the stimulant is cutting taxes, this on its own even helps spur economic growth only it takes time. As for the economic factor Reagan increased military spending. In fact he increased it in such a way the Soviet took this as a sign that the US was building for a massive military action. The Soviets tried to match our spending, this broke their back. The shadow of the great Evil Empire fell. With the end of the Soviet Union a world wide market surged. The tax cut Reagan put into effect was hyperstimulated and produced eight years of the greatest economic growth in our nations history, and it eliminated the greatest threat that ever existed to this country. Sadly, the Clinton administration made little or no effort to maintain this growth resulting in the recession we are in now. The recession Reagan is blamed on by the left is in fact a result of the economic policies of the Carter administration, taking its toll for almost ten years. So unlike communism, Reagonomics does in fact work, however only if it is stimulated by another economic factor either natural or manufactured will you get a hyperstimulated economy.

Jerad Linder

City of Birk, Bradley County

Special to the *Union* by Denny Roth, Bradley County

As I look back on my life, which Boys' State is now a part of; I can see many transitions, from children to boys, and from boys to men. These transitions seem slow, until you look and see how far you have come.

During city nominations for Boys' Nation, there were several who wanted to go, including myself, and as we stood in the hall we started talking about big things in our lives when we were kids in the late 80's and early 90's. We started off with the Flintstone Kids Vitamins, trying to remember the slogan and how we all took them as kids. Then we went and mentioned various shows we watched back in the early grades, including Inspector Gadget, Ghost Busters, Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles, and even seeing McGiever once or twice with our parents. We bragged about our Ninja Turtle toys we collected, talked of McGiever and his duck tape, and sang Gadget's theme song. When someone said that April, from Ninja Turtles, was a fox, I realized that all of us have

come a long way. We have all grown since those once famous shows, grown into young men. Coming out of our "girls are yucky" stage to realizing that cartoon women were hot, and now most of us have girlfriends.

As we live in an age with enhanced visual effects in the movies, more violent video games, more racist remarks in music, to sex and drugs everywhere you look, we must remember the most important things that mattered the most in our young lives.

Our naivety is something that we must never lose from our personality, or imagination, for coming up with unique solutions to problems, and respect for those who shaped us into who we are today.

So let's remember back to a time when Sega Genesis and Super Nintendo were top of the line, when Superman was helping the helpless, when Godzilla saved the Earth in every fight, and when we, as boys, never seemed to have a care in the world. Let's look back and realize the men we have become from the young immature boys that we once were.

Chastain Money Millionaires Salute Thane.
We made 15 Gs in 1 day- so much that even our cops are rollin' on dubs.

Dear Editor,

I am writing to tell the staff how dissapointed I am in the fact that "Milky's" article was not printed in Friday's paper. Milky's editorials are some of the greatest things on Earth. His thoughts and opinions made this camp. I believe that he represents all that is good and right at Boys' State. We all owe him a thank you.

Jason Barrett
City of Janssen, MacArthur County

Jason- Here you go.

Weed Party

Wade Condict

Milky

The Boys' State mission has been to represent a facsimile of the real Kansas Government. The Federalists and the Nationalists are the parties chosen to do this. Arguments have been brought up concerning the limitations of the political parties chosen. One group of delinquents believes not that they offer better solutions to today's problems, but that personal gain, fortune and glory are most easily achieved by propagating outrageous ideas and lobbying for attention.

This group calls themselves the Green Party and is led by Andrew Delling. The Green Party's main focus is the legalization of marijuana. I hope everyone realizes that legalizing marijuana is not going to balance the budget or get rid of unemployment. I think that what the "Weed Party" fails to recognize is that balancing the budget, reforming welfare, and saving our economy, are problems with reasonable, viable

solutions. Not with flashy resolutions that attract attention from all the stoners in the state. I'm going to go out on a limb and say there are people already starting their letters to the editor to tell me how wrong I am. Let me save you the trouble. I'm sure that the Andrew is going to complain about how their goal is actually just to tax marijuana and use the excess revenue to benefit the state. What he fails to realize is that the market for marijuana is lucrative only because it is illegal. Taxing marijuana will jack up the price and defeat the purpose. No one wants to pay a higher amount to buy it at a smoke shop when they can get it from a drug dealer for half the price.

Let me ask you this Andrew. Couldn't you have lobbied for this without causing a ruckus in the cafeteria or bothering people with your petitions and posters? I think this was your way of gaining attention. It was just the best excuse you could find to start a fiction faction to talk about dope.

Don't smoke pot.

METH-OD MAN

Jesse Hall Frigg'n Idiot

Many of us think that in the state of Kansas it would be hard to get 500 units of Sudafed, Drano, 10 lithium batteries, a bath tub and 150 coffee filters in one trip to the bank. But noooooooo, not so. Yesterday I went to the bank with the wholesome idea of creating a basis for political scandal. Instead I walked away with all the items I asked for.

I filled out eighteen "Price Estimate," sheets; one of which requested a price check on high ethanol ether. After all

of this the banker didn't even look at me cross-eyed! I now own enough ingredients to cook methamphetamines long into the future. So if anyone's looking for a good time...

Well, all-in-all it left me only twenty-two dollars and seventy-six cents lighter.

So the lesson for

today kiddies is that when you ask yourself, "Could I buy everything I need for a Meth-Lab at a hardware store?," the answer is no. They don't carry Sudafed. Just go to your local Wal-Mart and ask for the "Drug Dealer Discount."

Father of Fantasy

Jesse Hall Still a Frigg'n Idiot

Today I would like to recognize the writing talents of Piers Anthony. A man known by few but admired by...me! This man has an amazing abili-

ty; he can listen. Many of his themes, ideas and puns come from his fans (mostly 12 to 40-year-old readers).

Although he sticks mainly to the fantasy genre, he does dabble in science fiction. He has also co-authored on many sci-fi and fantasy novels

Committee's plan actually

(For Love Of Evil and On a Pale Horse).

His best-known series is the Xanth series. This is the collection that I read. With well over twenty-five novels, eight of which were New York Times "Bestsellers," he has one of the largest fantasy series ever.

Don't let the number of books fool you; this man doesn't mistake quantity for quality. He has a few repeating themes. Although many themes reappear they are not the predominant themes. Using his fans ideas infuses his novels with new life.

Financial Dispute

Jeremy Costello of Abbott & Costello

On Wednesday, June 5th, there was a big dispute Calendar between the Committee and the Association Committees. According to the Association Committee, much of their time spent devising a financial plan was, in effect, wasted. This is because the Calendar Committee went ahead and made a financial proposal all their own. Obviously the Association Committee didn't take this news very well. According to Governor Shiloh, the Calendar

LOS ANGELES (AP) - Dee

worked, justifying doing their proposal in the first place. The Association Committee, however, feels that they should be conferred with before anyone does anything that they themselves are doing, especially if what they do does not get used. They feel compelled to try and form an unwritten agreement, or a law if need be, in cooperation with the Calendar Committee to prevent future conflicts from happening.

Good for them. File this one under the category of 'who really cares?'

Union Writers Learn From the Best

Jeremy Costello of Abbott & Costello

As I'm sure everyone knows, the Boys' State program has been around for 65 years, and many people have been back and involved with this program for some time.

On Thursday, I had the opportunity to speak with John Milburn, who was once a Stater senator himself, and now works with the Associated Press in Topeka, KS. He commented on how the program has changed through the years, from things such as the available technology, to how true to life Boys' State really is. He also said how much he likes the fact that the overall message

councilors and legionnaires spread throughout all of Boys' State has stayed the same.

John went to Boys' State the same year that Derek Schmidt, who gave a speech the day we elected Shiloh for governor, was governor himself of Boys' State. While he was here, I learned a great deal about how the newspapers are run on a nationwide scale, and even internationally.

If you see someone who is walking around, such as John, it would help you learn a great deal about what a specific job involves on a nationwide scale. I hope you took the chance to stop and speak with them.

Dee Dee Ramone Found Dead in L.A.

was 50.

Dee Ramone, a founding member of the pioneer punk band the Ramones, was found dead of a possible drug overdose in his Hollywood home, the coroner's office said Thursday. He Ramones Ramone was the Ramones, was found dead colvin, was couch by returned here.

Ramone, whose real name was Douglas Glenn Colvin, was found dead on the couch by his wife when she returned home at 8:25 p.m. Wednesday, said Craig Harvey,

operations chief for the coroner's office. Paramedics were called and he was declared dead at 8:40 p.m

The death comes 11 weeks after the band was celebrated with induction into the Rock

and Roll Hall of Fame.

Lead singer Joey Ramone died in April of last year of lymphoma, a form of cancer. He was 49.

Listen Up Folks

Jesse Hall

He Just Won't Go Away

That's right gentlemen. I'm the guy who brought Bob Dylan to the music class in the first grade and got booed out of the room. When I think of Classics, I think of Tracy Chapman's "fast car," and Bob Dylan's "Rainy Day Woman."

Now that I have flaunted my folk credentials I think I will begin telling you about some up-and-coming folk stars:

- First I would like to introduce John Mayer. One of the more popular folkrockers; he has climbed his way to the top of the charts. Our Canadian friend was recently on the BBC. In the interview he said that he didn't "rock." Of course he doesn't rock, he "folks." If you can imagine Bob Dylan being able to sing and songs with a moderately fast beat, you can imagine John Mayer.
- Another not-so famous folker is Sarah Harmer. With great songs like "Basement Apartment," and "Don't Get Your Back Up Over This," she's sure to impress. She has the talent of Natalie Cole and Fiona Apple, without the feminist rhetoric. It's just good music.
- · Maybe you haven't heard of them; it doesn't mean there a bad group! I'm talking about the Tragically

Hip. With a sound that is blues, country, pop; they have the feel of a folk, soul, classic. If you decide to buy any of there albums, I would suggest Phantom Power.

These are the newest selections in the Canadian folk world. I'm not saying that these are the only new Canadian folk artists. If you have any folk artists, from anywhere, inform me and if I write another article on folk music I will try and include your bands.

Parting Words

Adam Sundberg Staff Writer

There are some really great things about being on the newspaper staff, we get to listen to music while we're working, we get to search the internet, we get to watch movies, and we don't have to go to meetings. I thought I had it made; this had to be the best job in the state. But last night, my whole perspective changed.

A lot of things have changed in the county of Bradley since the first day. People know each other now, people take pride in group accomplishments, and we can finally march as a group (we're the best at it now). But, being on the newspaper staff, I don't interact much with my county outside of Rec. time and at night after

county meetings. I see myself as an outsider, an observer, explaining what has happened in my county, but especially my city of Rirk

Birk is an anomaly. The diversity within the city is unequaled. It is filled with talented individuals (guitarists and magicians), outspoken spokesmen and intelligent speakers, cynics, punks, and the most eccentric people I have ever had the pleasure of knowing (cowboys, boy scouts, forensicators, choirboys, and otherwise). We had county commissioners, Governor candidates, a newspaper staffer, and so many people involved in agencies we had a hard time finding enough people to fill city spots. Not to mention the most hardcore city counselor in camp, Pat Bengtson (HCP). Pat may be the most sincere person in camp when it comes to his feelings for America and the advantages of Boys' State and especially Boys' Nation. The sheer emotion he puts into his work inspires a greater understanding of our government and desire to please him (though sometimes it is really fun to aggravate him).

On Thursday night in our city room following the Boys' Nation election Pat spoke to us of the importance of Boys' State and not a person in the room didn't see the raw emotion in his eves and in his voice. I didn't believe when I came to Boys' State that I would miss the people here, but I will. The camaraderie I see in the city of Birk isn't something you see everyday in your life or even every ten years. In all, Birk is a city full of completely

different people who managed to come together and accomplish goals (though not necessarily those given to us by Boys' State). I work for the newspaper and I regret not being around to understand every single inside joke or the origins of people's nicknames (everyone has one). Maybe the best thing I can do for my city this week is write it down for all of them so they can remember what it was like to watch Andy perform his gay antics, listen to Standridge squeal for help from Pat, and watch Linder do the "V". I feel proud to be on the newspaper and have the ability to put into words what I know everybody in the best city in the best county at Boys' State feels.

The City of Birk, Bradley County would just like to make a belated announcement that yesterday was the Hardcore Holiday, in recognition of HardCore Pat HCP!

"Get all the fools on your side and you can be elected to anything." -Frank Dane

Animosity Builds

Matt Britton

Staff Writer

The majority of the counties get along just fine, but there are these two counties that just have animosity building up between the two of them. Maybe it is because they are both outstanding counties that don't like to get beat by

each other. Or perhaps it is lining up side by side at every retreat, sizing each other up. Whatever it is there is definitely a rivalry between the Pershing and Marshall Counties.

Whether it is in athletics, marching, or government these two counties can't stand to be beat by each other. It started at the beginning of the week when Marshall County won the best County of the day, as Marshall county went crazy, for winning, Pershing just got jealous and was out to become the best county for the next day, and they did for Tuesday.

Now Marshall was out to regain there title and Pershing trying to hold on to it, but both counties failed and MacArthur was the best of the best for Wednesday. However, Marshall answered back with a big win and regained the title for Thursday. Now Pershing is on a mission to not only win the best county of the day but to win the best county of the week. By the time this is already printed the results will be in and all of the Staters will know who the best is, Good luck to every county.

The Last Sports Word from Jeremy Costello

The Stanley Cup Finals has been tied up 1-1 as the Detroit Red Wings defeated the Carolina Hurricanes 3-1. The Red Wings helped themselves by scoring 2 goals in only a 13 second span, one of them coming from all-star Nicklas Lindstrom. The win was big because it kept them from dropping two in a row and 4 out of the last 5 home games, and it ended the 'Canes six-game road win streak. Detroit accomplished its goal when Center Federov passed a one-timer to teammate Arturs Irbe, during the third period. The Wings also fixed their sloppy play while being short-handed as they held Carolina to 0-8 on power play chances. The Red Wing's first goal was a short-handed goal, scoring short-handedly for the seventh time in the postseason, which is more than three as much as the rest of the league.

The French Open has gotten very interested on the women's side of the brackets. The Championship match is going to be between Venus and Serena Williams, the second time in three grand slam tournaments this has happened. Venus Williams advanced by easily defeating Clarisa Fernandez 6-1, 6-4. Serena Williams has proven to be battle-tested, as she defeated defending champion Jennifer Capriati to play against her older sister.

The World Cup has started to progress as Spain has defeated Paraguay 3-1 to advance to the second round. Sweden defeated Nigeria to eliminate them from the World Cup, taking one step closer to the second round. A rivalry has been renewed as England and Argentina played each other again in the World Cup, as England took this one by a score of 1-0.

In Baseball, the Minnesota Twins will not have to worry about contraction problems for at least one more season as the managing staff signed a deal that will keep the franchise in operation. After the whole contraction deal that has caused must controversy in Major League Baseball concerning financial problems, the Twins have stepped up to the challenge and are now leading the division. On a bad note, the Florida Marlins are barely making it, pulling in the lowest amount of revenue of any team in the league.

Things to watch for:

- The NBA Finals
- The Belmont Stakes (Horse Racing) War Emblem goes for the triple crown
- The U.S. Open- Golf Tiger goes for the Grand Slam
 Lewis vs. Tyson in Memphis

We, the HERITAGE ASSOCIATION Support **MURDER** of innocent Association Men.

Especially Association men that promote helping the common man.

We made a mistake by promoting a small dog for governor.

Now we are trying to become convicted, drug dealing felons.

Top Ten Things To Do When You Get Home From Boys' State

- 10. Go to another camp.
- 9. Hang out with your friends.
- 8. Take the ACT.
- 7. Visit the mall.
- 6. Do all the things that you couldn't do at Boys' State.
- 5. Go to a dance.
- 4. Play Yahoo Pool on the Internet.
- 3. Go swimming.
- 2. Go to a movie.
- 1. Have fun with your girlfriend

Governor at Work...Still

Jeremey Costello Political Guru

Yesterday at around 11:00 a.m., the District Court judges attempted to convict Governor Shiloh Dutton of having a mental illness. The Department of Health brought up the issue after there was controversy about Shiloh's being seen in a room with people under suspicion of using drugs. Despite whether or not Shiloh was actually seen with these people, the fact of the matter is that,

according to the governor, the Department of Health has no jurisdiction over the matter. Furthermore, the governor also said that the only way for him to have been removed from power and deemed "mentally ill" would have been for his family or his cabinet members to claim him ill. That being said, the governor will still retain his office.

The House and the Senate both agreed to pass the following laws:

1. The Crop Rotation

Program-this will allow the government to buy land from farmers in order to regenerate the land's soil.

- 2. The Affirmative Action Plan- deals with hiring quotas, saying that people will not be equally hired according to race, unless the person is qualified. This way, the best person will get the job.
- 3. The State Water Board will be able to give \$100 dollars to each county to use for water purposes. This money will come from the Water Board's budget.

Marshall On Top

I guess winning the best county banner once was not enough to prove to other counties that Marshall County is the best. So Marshall did the most logical thing to ensure that people knew which county is truly the best. They won the best county award- AGAIN! Led by councilor Mike Zimmers, who was one of the stars at the talent show when he played the American Pie song, Marshall County has not only been outstanding throughout the week, especially since winning FIVE banner awards, but also has come together as a fun-loving group. Marshall County also won the best banner for city government. I hope all of the other counties are as lucky as Marshall County, who has the coolest councilors and the best guys to hang around.

Life...

By Anonymous Staff Writer

Life is what you make of it, sometimes good sometimes bad.

Don't make a mistake of it, and remember what you've had.

Life long lessons we will learn, successful we will surely be.

To be the best we all yearn, the best Kansan's all are we.

As we make our journey back, lessons we shall carry.

Leaders we are, that is fact, may your futures be bright and marry.

We have grown as one, Feds and Nats united together.

We have had tons of fun, memories that will last forever.

Babe of the Day goes out.... To Patrick and all the boys in Mantey City.

From Budda (David Womack)

2-Mile Run Results

- 1. James Dallas Henry
- 2. Zac Ewert
- 3. Mike Weilbaclo
- 4. Adam Shaner
- 5. Brad Kenton
- 6. Jacob Sumpter
- 7. Steven Dull
- 8. Nate Andrews
- 9. Adam Keehbauch
- 10. Jared Jerous