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NEW ALL STATES PISTOL CHAMPION FROM ARKANSAS

PREVIOUS HOLDER, JOHN HEROD KILLED IN THE COMPETITION

It is this papers honour to be the first to announce with great pride that Deadwoods own Sheriff Abel Baker is now the All State Pistol Champion the sheriff had this to say.

"It is with great pride that I entered and proceeded to win the All States Pistol Duelling Contest on behalf of Arkansas and I hope that the state takes pride in one of its own residents winning. I am glad that even in the current situation between North and South such events can continue as normal.

"However, I also know that there will also be those who will seek me out due to this great accolade, to those folk I say this. In reflection of these troubling times you who seek me out and do not wish to wait until the next contest to try your hand, should you lose you will be signing up for a term in the armies of the south to compensate the state for the time you force one of its Sheriffs to devote away from their duties."

This reporter has heard a number of rumours that the late Herod had been cheating during the competition however no formal statement has been issued and the late champion's assistant seems to have disappeared.



MOTHERS MARCH FOR ABSTINENCE

A large scale protest has marched through the streets of Little Rock this last Thursday in protest at the rising use of a new mystery drug that has been spreading throughout the state.

'Slur' or 'Jam' as it has become known seems to be freely available to those with the know, but the authorities have been unable to trace the source of the problem nor ascertain if the drug is being produced locally or smuggled into the state, possibly from the territories. We spoke to Candace Smallwood, concerned mother, who led the Little Rock march.

"This 'Jam' is a real threat to the moral fibre of the community. The Marshal service should be looking into stopping the supply in its tracks as a matter of emergency. Will no one think of the children?"

The Little Rock Marshal Service were unavailable for comment at time of printing

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NEW GOVERNMENT

It has been reported that the State of Arkansas has been able to raise an additional regiment to guard its Northern and Western Borders. It had been understood that with the severing of ties with the industrialised north many lucrative materials contacts had not been honoured in the state leaving the local government struggling to raise funds. However it now seems that there is more sufficient monies available for the State Capitol even after the raising of a regiment to continue active recruitment. When asked for comment, an aide to Senator Kimes was reported as saving

"It seems that many notable business men have come to the aim of both the Senator and the State in the hour of need. The citizens should give thanks to these great men who unfortunately due to issues of national security must remind anonymous".

While this reporter also notes that several high stakes poker games, Miss Elizabeth's Bathhouse and Parlour and the Tennessee Annual Stud Auction were all robbed in the last week readers are left to make their own assumptions.

All correspondence to be directed to the editor at 3 South Main Street. Subscription information to the same

SCHOOL MILK CURDLES

A number of dairy farms around the town of Deadwood have been accused of supplying old milk to the Deadwood School and Orphanage.

This problem has persisted even when milk has been brought in from alternative suppliers. Upon reaching out to the local farms, they gave us assurances that no changes had been made to their processes nor their delivery schedules and all milk is fresh when it leaves the yard.

RUSTLING ON THE UP?

Curdled milk isn't the only problem for already hard pressed ranchers it seems. In an apparently unrelated series of incidents there have been reports of a number of heads of cattle, both beeves and dairy going missing.

Ranching in the district appears to have been in recovery since the shortages of '51 following the death of ranch baron Alistair 'Big Al' Stevenson, largely due to an increase in stocks at Manka Ranch and the opening of Brownrock to grazing. Numbers of missing stock don't indicate a large scale rustling operation in the district but certainly cannot be attributed to accident, misfortune or wild animals.

MISSING ~ REWARD

Seth Caswell of Dog Leg Bend has been missing for 12 nights. Last seen heading out night fishing on the Little Red near his house. Wearing a red shirt and broad brimmed hat. A \$10 reward has been posted for news of his whereabouts or return of his body.



STANDFORD SECURED AT FORT HOOD

Renegade Northern political officer Jacob 'Jack' Stanford, captured in the environs of Deadwood when he chose to partake in the All States Pistol Duelling Contest being held there has been successfully incarcerated at Fort Hood, Killeen. Stanford had been taken to the Southern State capital in Birmingham, Alabama but due to the increasing interest in the case and several unsuccessful attempts by Northern agents to release him, it has been deemed necessary to move the prisoner to a secure location pending trial for acts of aggression against the South. Protests made by the renegade Northern government that he is being detained illegally and without grounds have been disregarded as baseless.

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HELP WANTED

A new Manager and Head of Security are required for the new Pacifico / West-Dickens Munitions Plant located north of Deadwood Town.

Respectable rate of pay given for a respectable job. Secure your families future and help the war effort. Contact West-Dickens & Roth, Deadwood Main Street.

'PWD Munitions ~ The only Patriotic & Scientific method of supply'

HELP WANTED

Casual labourers required for various work ranging from local delivery to livestock feeding. Contact Chen Po (next door to the Old Mill south Deadwood)

PAXTON ALUMINUM COMPANY – A REMINDER

We'd like to remind our readers that the PAC has been officially outlawed within this state. A \$10 bounty applies to any operative handed in to the law alive. \$5 dead.

