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Who Won the Week?

Jay Hahn – In his own (Facebook) words, "Professionally I am visiting our client, Microsoft at their Seattle / Redmond headquarters... Growing up in rural Missouri I frankly believed an opportunity like today seemed off limits. At age 18 by luck and the grace of those I worked for I was able to start a small sole proprietor tech business. Never in my wildest dreams did I believe 18 years later my Government Relations firm would have the privilege of representing such a world renowned tech company. Many reasons to be thankful today..."

Aaron Willard – The powerful chief of staff rearranges the governor's cabinet, and then has his "boss" blaming a reporter for finding the state's inept data security.

Josh Renaud – Renaud figured out how to make a half-forgettable story about negligent internet security became a national story. It's a two-stepper: first, write the story. Then, hope the governor announces a \$50 million investigation to throw you in jail.

Eric Schmitt – Yes, he gets ratioed on a make-believe history tweet, but that's the whole point if you're in his race. Say something dumb, but "American" and wear the intellectuals' disdain as badge of honor.

Rodney Boyd – We all have the dream, but Rodney gets to live it. He's been named Executive Coordinating Produce of the TV show Food Is Love.

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