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Is This Good?

A rumor is prevalent that a petition is making the rounds seeking to change the present form of City Manager government and reverting to the old form of Mayor and Council.

This would be a grave error—a step backwards to say the least. An analysis of the two forms of government, and Kodiak's needs,

should indicate the City Manager form to be far superior—more effective, exercising better control of utilities, city functions, and less costly in the long run.

Kodiak may be small, but it's not that small that it can do without the services of a trained and competent official looking after its affairs on a full-time basis.

Street Numbering

Hats off to the Junior Chamber of Commerce who apparently are taking in hand the task of providing house numbering for Kodiak.

This seemingly almost vital need for the town has been kicked around these many years, and like the weather everybody talks about

it, but nobody does anything about it.

If and when the JCs complete this task, they will have performed a job that will give them the enduring gratitude of many people—strangers, visitors, and every-

Local Payrolls Are Best

A sad situation has developed in the matter of bread retail in Kodiak.

The local bakery and the retail stores are having difficulties seeing eye to eye. Without going into the points for argument, and no doubt they have merit on both sides, we would like to urge an early settlement.

Building local payrolls is best for the economy of Kodiak. Every dollar that is spent out of town, will have an effect on all concerned, and an effect on merchants and the general public.

The differences in the dispute should be capable of being resolved.

Mirrored Reflections . . .

By SIG DIGREE

As we sit here at the typewriter we have had a varied display of weather, which brings to mind the fickleness of April.

April may be compared to a woman (and some men, too), because of its changeableness. We arrived at the office in a snow-storm, which was laden with moisture and quickly changed to rain. Soon, the sun was blazing forth, filled with warmth and brightness. What the rest of the day will bring we don't know.

Or the rest of the month, for that matter. Some inkling, though, can be gained from a look at the climatology summary for April issued by the U. S. Fleet Weather Central office on the Naval Station, who by the way is responsible for the sunrise-sunset information that appears in the Mirror. The average daily maximum temperatures prevailing for April in the past has been 41.5 F. Average daily minimum, 32.7. Monthly mean, 37.1. The extreme maximum recorded was 62.0 in 1936 and extreme minimum 9.0 in 1924.

The average total precipitation is given as 4.13 inches. The maximum in 24 hours was in 1947, when it was 2.75. The average amount of snow recorded is 4.2. One comforting thought: at no time during the month did the temperature go below zero.

My good friend Jack Hinckel sent in the following clippings, which I think you will get a chuckle and perhaps a sobering thought from reading:

"Ordinarily we don't quote much from Eleanor, whose favorite pres-

identical aspirant is Adlai. But we rather enjoyed her comment the other day when asked about all the others of her party who are seeking the top nomination, when she said: 'They all look like vice-presidents to me!'"

Griffin Memorial Hospital Notes

ADMISSIONS

Patients admitted to Griffin Memorial Hospital the past week were Mike Farsovitch, Rupert Gurley, George Hlavin and Alfred Modtland.

DISCHARGED

Those discharged were Mrs. Beverly Horn and infant, Allen Absten, Mrs. Ersie Johnston, Kallumpi Kapshon, Andrew Laktonen, Andrew Christoffersen and Mrs. Jane Melarvie and infant.

BIRTHS

A daughter, Mary Jean, weighing 9 lbs. 4 ozs., was born on April 3 to Mary Jane and Chester Webber.

CHINIYAK AFS MANAGER

It was erroneously reported in last week's issue of the Mirror that Mr. Richard L. Cross has become the Philco Station Manager at Chiniyak AFS.

The Station Manager is Mr. C. James Paris of the Lockheed Corporation, the prime contractor on the Discoverer-Agena satellite program. The Philco Corporation is a sub-contractor to Lockheed at Chiniyak, and Mr. Cross is the Philco Group Engineer.

Some 4 acres of pure gold leaf was used in the construction of an early church in Constantinople.

NOTICE

It is not our usual policy to reply to "unsigned" statements appearing in the Kodiak Mirror. However, due to the half truths contained in the third paragraph under "Tax Facts" in last week's paper, we wish to state that KEA is still a taxpayer. The 1959 state legislature replaced the property tax with a 2% tax on gross revenue. This tax is paid to the state and refunded to the taxing authority in the area earned (City of Kodiak and the Local School District), less the cost expended by the state in its collection.

This system of taxation is used in the majority of states in which electric cooperatives operate.

KODIAK ELECTRIC ASSOC., INC.

Eldon Lester, President

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Harbor Light Pentecostal Chapel

Kenneth W. French, pastor

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