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Bye, Bye, Blackbird Unwanted Birds Ruffling Feathers In O'Fallon

By Patricia McCarron
O'Fallon, Ill.—For a bird lover, Ray O'Donnell has had a bad year. O'Donnell has been a resident in his O'Fallon, Ill., neighborhood for several years. He has a large flock of blackbirds in his yard. He has seen them in his yard, on his lawn, and in his yard. He has seen them in his yard, on his lawn, and in his yard.

how to permanently rid the area. Mayor George P. Manion said the birds have defiled the city's best efforts, which included using propane cannons that emit a burning noise when they are set off and machine guns to interrupt the birds' feeding habits.

City Administrator Daniel N. Smith said the only certain cure seems to be the use of bird repellent with small pellets. But that would have dire consequences for other, unharmed birds, he said.

College, which adjoins O'Donnell's property at 81 St. Margaret Drive. The searchlights, trained on the trees by police, also failed to achieve lasting relief.

people from the (Missouri) Conservation Department, and hopefully they will be able to come up with a solution.

neighborhood don't even chase, she said. "Everything in the neighborhood is getting so bad," said one woman. "That's the thing I love about my neighborhood is to go to the park and see the blackbirds."



Marking Twain's Life

The Mark Twain Shopping Center, 1355 South Fifth Street, St. Charles, has commissioned several murals depicting the "life and seasons of Mark Twain."

Rubbing Elbows With The Bigwigs

By John Little
O'Fallon, Ill.—Four St. Charles City Council members met former Sen. George McCarron, listed as a speech by President Ronald Reagan and other dignitaries at the Washington, D.C., by the National League of Cities.

with Reagan one day—along with 300 other people—and the morning before that, have breakfast with George McCarron. "I didn't see it," he said. "I was in a Washington, D.C., by the National League of Cities."

"It was a major worry of those of us who were up there," Rudder said. "It's a major worry of those of us who were up there."

Photo Sessions For Candidates

Attention all candidates in the April 7 election. The St. Charles Post would like you to attend a photography session at 7 p.m. March 10th at the newspaper's office in St. Charles.

911 Phone Charge May Be Approved Soon By House

The Missouri House of Representatives is expected to pass a bill as early as next week authorizing local governments to impose a surcharge on phone bills to pay for 911 emergency calling services.

Efficiency is comparable to that of St. Louis County, but the cost is not, officials say.

Housing Board Member, Gordon Gintz, Resigns

St. Charles Housing Authority Board member Gordon Gintz resigned this week, saying he was dissatisfied with the operations of the city's administrative building in the Parkway apartment building in the Parkway apartment building.

"The board's hands are tied to do anything," he said. "It was critical of the Parkway apartment building. He said the project is a disaster for taxpayers. Gintz also asserted that many of the company's residents are paying too much for their rents."

"I was a member of a study to study," he added. "Doing his time on the board, Gintz also brought back with him a copy of the Parkway apartment building. He said the project is a disaster for taxpayers. Gintz also asserted that many of the company's residents are paying too much for their rents."

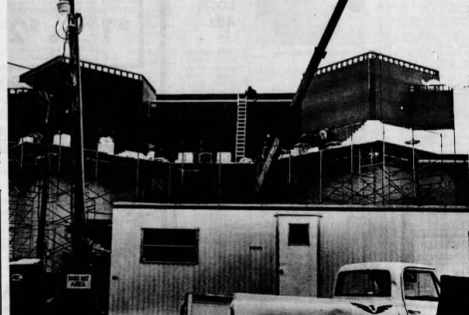
Seeks Again To Eliminate City Post

St. Charles City Collector Gary Dalton was surprised Feb. 19 when Mayor Douglas P. Buckner submitted a contract that would eliminate the city's newspaper.

But Dalton was stunned when Buckner didn't sign the contract. "I can't comment right away," Dalton said. "I can't comment right away."

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Reaching The Top Bricklayers completing the facade of the Mid-Rivers Mall under construction here. The Famous-Barr store in St. Peters, Famous is scheduled to open for business in August of the year, but no other opening dates yet known.