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SILVER SPURS
of Aggieiland

Country & Western
Dance Club

Informational Meeting
201 MSC
Wed. Sep. 6, 8:30 p.m.

★ Sign-ups MSC ★
Tues. Sep. 12
8 a.m. - 12:00
Dues = \$35 per person

PENTHOUSE BILLIARDS BAR

Open Dart Tournament Every Tuesday starting at 8:00pm
\$5 entry fee • Double elimination
• 1st, 2nd, & 3rd place prizes
• Bud Light Chuggers \$2.00

Happy Hour 4-7 pm M-F
\$1.50 Draft
\$1.50 Longnecks
\$2.25 Pitchers
\$2.25 Well

Monday Night Football
2 Big Screens
\$3.50 Miller Lite Pitchers 7:30 - 11:00
• Free Buffalo Wings During Game (All you can eat)

Winn Dixie Shopping Center - Texas Ave. 764-8664

'95 TEXAS A&M FOOTBALL

WALK-ON INFORMATION MEETING

Monday Sept. 4
6:00 p.m. - Locker Rm.

For more info call: **845 - 0374**

Higher Purpose

First Baptist Church
College Station
2300 Welsh
(Across 2818 from A&M Consolidated High School)

Service Schedule

- 8:30 a.m. Worship
- 9:45 a.m. Bible Study
- 10:45 a.m. Worship
- 5:00 p.m. Discipleship
- 6:00 p.m. Worship
- Various weeknight Bible Studies/Discipleship

Van Schedule & Route

- 9:25 a.m. - The BSU
- 9:30 a.m. - The Commons

Upcoming Events

- September 15 - Fellowship, 7:00-11:00 p.m.
- October 6-7 - Retreat/Campout

Barry Miller, College Minister
696-7000

Investigators say government not tough enough on SSI ripoffs

□ Middlemen are assisting immigrants in welfare fraud by providing false medical histories and coaching them to feign mental illness.

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Social Security Administration is not doing enough to catch the middlemen who are defrauding a federal disability program by coaching immigrants to feign mental illness and providing false medical histories, say congressional investigators and a senator.

According to the General Accounting Office, scams by middlemen, who help non-English-speaking immigrants obtain disability benefits from Supplemental Security Income, are draining

millions of dollars from the government's largest cash welfare program for the poor.

The findings by the GAO, the congressional watchdog agency, were released Sunday by Republican Sen. Bill Cohen of Maine, chairman of the Senate Special Committee on Aging.

Cohen, whose oversight of the SSI program also exposed widespread abuses by drug addicts and alcoholics who collect cash disability, said the explosion in the number of immigrants applying for SSI has created an atmosphere ripe for fraud.

"Translators have become wise to how easy it is to defraud the system and are actively seeking out immigrants as clients," Cohen said.

Yet Social Security, which oversees the \$22-billion-a-year SSI program, "is simply not doing enough to weed out these crooks, and it is costing the taxpayers millions of dollars every

year," Cohen said.

The GAO reached a similar conclusion, saying that while Social Security is planning several initiatives to detect middleman fraud, "more could be done."

In her response to the GAO's findings, Social Security Commissioner Shirley Chater said the agency is working to identify SSI recipients who got on the rolls through fraudulent means.

Social Security is also hiring more bilingual staff, and its ultimate goal "is to dramatically reduce reliance on middlemen in developing claims of non-English-speaking applicants," Chater said.

The number of legal immigrants collecting SSI disability has increased sixfold over the past decade, from 45,000 in 1983 to 267,000 in 1993. By comparison, the number of U.S. citizens on the rolls grew less than twofold, from 2.3 million to 4.2 million.

Newspaper employees blockade printing plant

STERLING HEIGHTS, Mich. (AP) — In a Labor Day weekend show of strength, some 3,000 striking Detroit newspaper workers and supporters blockaded a printing plant, delaying delivery trucks for more than 12 hours.

Union leaders claimed a significant victory Sunday in the bitter strike that has dragged on for more than seven weeks. Management condemned the protest and rushed to deliver Sunday's combined editions of The Detroit News and Free Press.

"This has to be considered a complete victory," said Al Derey, chairman of the Metropolitan Council of Newspaper Unions.

After the number of pickets dwindled to about 50 by about 8:30 a.m., police cleared a way for more than 50 large delivery trucks to pull out of the plant as the remaining demonstrators shouted angry slogans.

Trucks normally begin leaving the suburban plant by 8 p.m. on Saturday.

"I feel great," said striker Robert Glaeser of Roseville, a dispatcher at the plant for 12 years. "They didn't have a truck move from 5 p.m. to 9 a.m. Do you know how much it cost them?"

"Yeah, we did a good job." Frank Vega, president and chief executive officer of Detroit Newspapers, characterized the protest as "mob rule and lawlessness."

"We are outraged that the unions have encouraged their members to violate the law by not allowing us access to our facility," Vega said.

Detroit Newspapers handles business and printing operations under a joint operating agreement for Knight-Ridder Inc.'s Free Press and The Detroit News, owned by the Gannett Co. Inc. Before the strike, the two papers published separately during the week and a combined edition on weekends; since the walkout, a combined edition has been published all week.

The strike began July 13 when six unions representing about 2,500 workers walked off their jobs, mostly over wages and work rules.

Union members had been working without contracts since their previous agreements were allowed to lapse on July 2. The contracts had been extended day to day since they expired April 30.

During contract talks, management sought significant cuts in production and delivery work forces and putting pay increases for newsroom employees largely on the basis of merit.

Union members balked, saying it was time for them to get paybacks after years of concessions made when the newspapers, now profitable, were losing money in the early 1990s.

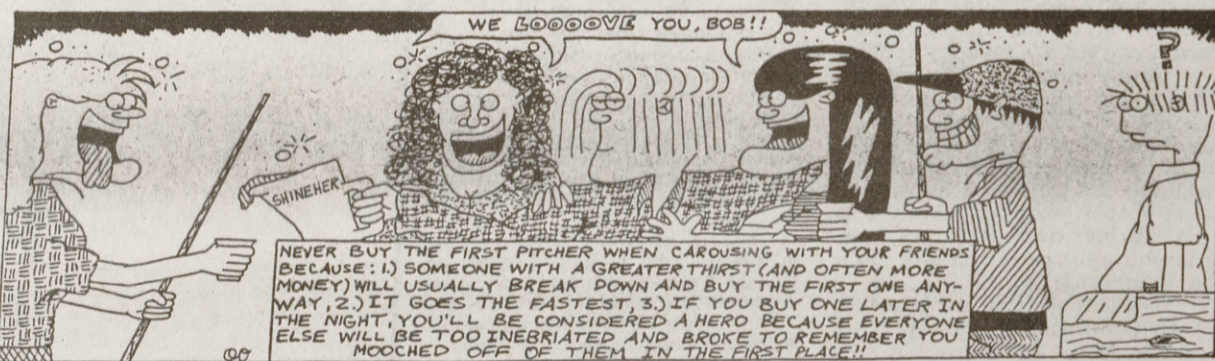
Management of Detroit Newspapers issued a statement Sunday apologizing to readers and advertisers for the delay in deliveries.

"We printed just over a million copies," Detroit Newspapers spokeswoman Teresa Lucido said.

Average pre-strike circulation of the two newspapers' combined Sunday edition was 1.1 million.

The newspapers' joint strike edition is being produced and distributed by managers, about 1,100 replacement workers and strikers who have crossed picket lines.

Sketch



By Quatro

IN THE BUFF



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By JED

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MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL

50¢ draft • 50¢ bar drinks
kickoff to half-time

Dallas Cowboys vs. New York Giants

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Papa John's Pizza • Thundercloud Subs

Wendy's

2 BURGERS 2 FRIES \$2

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