

Pressman arrested: Local 13 pressman Frank Brabanek is handcuffed and arrested by Farmington Hills police after a spitting incident.



Watch that speed: Hills officer Brian DeGrande (left) lis-tens to strikers Frank Bushta Jr., John Colliers and Jer-ry Gill complain about speeding drivers who ignore stop signs at the strike site.



Checking it out: Scott Million of Troy holds a so-called "strike paper" to see who has advertised in it, as fellow pressman Mike Reilly of New Baltimore looks over his shoulder.

Strikers, carriers clash at Hills site

warren hey picket in the dark with few people and no TV cam-eras to see or hear their

protest.
They are Teamsters, Newspaper Guild members and others protesting the Detroit News and Detroit Free Press at the distribution warehouse on Crestview court on the west side of Farming-

count on the west clue to Farming.
Unlike fellow picketers at the downtown News and Free Press offices, these 25 or so union members concentrate on one of the regional centers from which carriers pick up their bundled newspapers and deliver them.
"We're going to lose 85 Teamsters out of less than 200 (positions)," said striking Teamster Joe DeBono, a Free Press employee for 35 years. "We expected to walk, but we're hoping this one

won't last long."

DeBono was with the newspaper during a nine-month strike in 1907, when the paper did not publish, and in 1990, when the strike lasted a week. DeBono, like many others on the picket line, was less than optimistic about a quick end to the walkout. "It could have been avoided," said John Lippert, a Free Prac. Labor writer on the picket line. "There was a glimmer of compromise and some of the unions were pretty close (to a settlement). I think it will telether be over in two weeks or it will be a long time."

No one injured here
That's not encouraging for the
union members who are now
faced with confronting the carriers they often hired and trained.
Although there have not been any
serious incidents of violence in
Farmington Hills, there have

been five arrests in the city related to the strike, including two for carring concealed weapons and one for spitting.

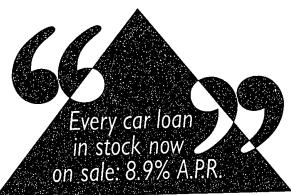
The district managers who, before the strike would work from 1 arm on to make sure papers delivered from the Sterling Heights printing plant got to the 200 or so carriers who deliver in the area, now find themselves in conflict with most of those carriers.

"Scab" is the to collict with constant of the colorful descriptions strikers are calling the people they used to supervise.

"We know where you live, pork chop," asys another strikers as carrier loaded with newspapers maneuvers his car through the begrudging picket line along the fence entrance to the warehouse.

"You have to get in their face, let them know this is wrong, that the company is going to do them next," said striker Scott Million.

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