

Brawl at School Picket Site

A demonstration against purported job bias at a Newark school construction site erupted into a 10-minute fist-swinging brawl yesterday when 35 workers crashed a line of about 75 pickets, most of them Negroes.

Before order was restored by police reinforcements, three cops and several of the brawlers were hurt—one of them seriously. Two of the pickets were arrested on charges of creating a public disturbance.

Later, Newark Mayor Hugh Addonizio asked the Board of Education to halt work on the \$6½-million Barringer High School project pending a report next week by the city's Human Rights Commission, which began an investigation of the complaints last week.

Meanwhile, in Harlem . . .

The pickets were led by Assemblyman George C. Richardson, Essex County Democrat and the only Negro in the New Jersey lower house. He was one of several demonstrators who were carried away when they started a sitdown protest after the fight was broken up.

In Harlem, the mere threat of a picket line protest against a low percentage of Negro workers at a bank branch project at 125th St. and Eighth Ave., halted construction yesterday before it even started.

At City Hall, at a rally sponsored by the Presbytery of New



(Associated Press foto)

Newark cops attempt to break up demonstration-turned-brawl at construction site where pickets complained of prejudice.

York City, Mayor Wagner issued a call for enactment of President

Kennedy's full civil rights program.