Labatt using scabs, strikers complain

Normand Faubert, vice-president of the union representing striking Labatt brewery workers, said yesterday he intends to file a complaint with the Quebec Labour Relations Board that Labatt is using strikebreakers. A Labour Department inspector who visited the Labatt brewery in LaSalle on July 3 and 4 identified seven workers he suspected were not legal replacement workers. Paul Wilson, Labatt vice-president for public affairs, said six of the seven were managers, working legally. The 950 Labatt employees have been on strike since June 16. The union has rejected a company offer that would have raised the pay of delivery workers to \$67,200 from \$58,900 and of maintenance workers to \$70,900 from \$62,600.