

## Farm Union Head's Trial Put Off Till He Ends Fast

BAKERSFIELD, Calif., Feb. 28 (AP) — The contempt of court trial for Cesar Chavez was delayed yesterday until the head of the National Farm Workers Organizing Committee breaks his fast.

In handing down the order resetting a hearing for April 22, Superior Court Judge Morton Barker said that if Mr. Chavez were found guilty "it might become necessary to force feed him at the county jail if he refused to break his fast."

Mr. Chavez, 41 years old, was once again greeted at the Kern County Courthouse by more than 1,000 chanting and praying farm workers.

He has said he began his fast Feb. 14 not because of the court contempt action but to dramatize his union's efforts to achieve its goals through nonviolence. The contempt case stems from alleged violations of picket restrictions in the eight-month strike against the Giumarra Brothers Fruit Company in nearby Delano.

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