Chavez Is Hospitalized By His 20-Day Fast

PHOENIX, Ariz., May 31 (AP)—Cesar Chavez, United Farm Workers leader, his face drawn from the effects of a 20-day fast, was taken by ambulance today from his headquarters to a hospital.

Dr. Augusto Ortiz, the physician who has attended Mr. Chavez during the fast, described his condition as serious and said he urgently needed medication.

The labor leader was carried from the small room where he conducted his vigil to a stretcher and wheeled through 90-degree temperatures to an ambulance waiting outside. He did not speak, but limply moved his head to avoid the sun’s rays.

Mr. Chavez began his fast after the Arizona Legislature earlier this month adopted a bill that forbids secondary boycotts and strikes by farm workers at harvest time.