

Missing Attorney-- Foul Play Feared

Prison to Let Some Outsiders In

By Tim Findley

San Quentin authorities are preparing this morning for the first outside visitors behind the troubled prison's walls since Saturday's killings.

Attorneys will be allowed in to see their clients on a priority basis beginning with inmates who have active criminal cases pending.

This means that among the first through the main gate will probably be activist-minded lawyers representing inmates who were involved in the escape attempt at the prison that left three inmates and three correctional officers dead.

At least ten attorneys representing inmates in the Adjustment Center met last night in the San Rafael law office of Salle Soladay, a lawyer active in prison reform causes. A spokesman for the lawyers said they will be at the prison "before 9 a.m."

OPPOSITION

The reopening was bitterly opposed by Arnold Thomp-



ALFRED BINGHAM
His son was normal

son, president of the San Quentin chapter of the Correctional Officers Association, who asked that the prison remain shut until "strict procedures are written to insure the safety of all employees."

"If they open this thing up, resignations may well come in mass," Thompson said.

Associate Warden James Park said no investigators, family members or members of the press will be allowed inside the prison and that no one will be allowed to carry in a tape recorder. An inmate will be allowed to visit with only one attorney and an attorney with only one inmate.

Even while the ground rules were being made, however, efforts led by bitter black and white radicals were being intensified to get doctors and outside investigators inside the prison.

In U.S. District Court attorneys asked for orders that would put inmates under federal custody and allow doctors and lawyers in to see them.

By mid-afternoon, the lawsuit was dismissed.

Outside the prison, a vigil began under the eyes of correctional officers and policemen armed with shotguns. They blocked the road

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to San Quentin's main gate.

"Open the gate, smash the state," the demonstrators chanted as they marched around, in a long oblong line sometimes numbering more than 250 people, below the freeway exit to San Quentin — the closest they could get to the old yellow-walled prison.

There were harsher shouts and chants such as "Three dead pigs ain't enough" and "Murderers, murderers, the guards are murderers."

But the warm afternoon dragged on without the promised appearance of legislators, lawyers and doctors to lead the crowd of predominantly young whites up the road to the San Quentin gate.

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The demonstrators dwindled steadily in numbers to barely more than 50 by late afternoon, watched lazily by police and correctional officers who abandoned stiff poses and sat heavily in the front seats of their cars blocking the road.

"We must be committed to stay here, people," Franklin Alexander, national coordinator for the Committee to Defend Angela Davis and a close friend of Miss Davis, exhorted the crowd.

"We must be here until the legislators and doctors arrive here and walk down that public road and demand to

be let into San Quentin."

"Right on," the crowd shouted back, but got up with less enthusiasm from the hillside of the ice plants where they had sat to hear Alexander.

The prison walls themselves were not even in sight, hidden as they were by a tan hillside and the sharp curve of the bay.

Associate Warden James Park called the demonstration "another show for propaganda purposes."

In U.S. District Court, meanwhile, San Francisco attorney Phillip Ryan and San Rafael attorney Douglas Vaughn filed a \$14 million lawsuit on behalf of five San Quentin adjustment center inmates, including Ruchell Magee.

The suit charged that the

inmates are caught in a "reign of monstrous terror," and asked that a federal judge relieve San Quentin authorities of administration of the prison and put it under the control of federal marshals while an investigation is begun of Saturday's incident.

U.S. District Judge Spencer Williams denied the request to allow doctors and lawyers into the prison after Associate Warden Park filed affidavits stating that the inmates are not being mistreated and that the institution is under a "state of emergency."

The part of the suit asking that federal authorities take over the prison and asking \$14 million in damages is expected to come up for a hearing in about ten days.

Outlining his opposition to the reopening, Thompson, the spokesman for the prison's employees, deemed two proposals "absolutely essential" to protect the officers.

He asked that no guard ever be out of sight of another and that 24-hour "gun coverage" be provided in critical areas of the prison.

"If they need money, let them get it. Money can be replaced, human lives cannot," Thompson said.

"The administration is not giving the guys the credit they deserve," he said. "It's time we tell it like it is."

Thompson also said he had sent Governor Ronald Reagan a telegram asking for a meeting to discuss the "grave situation" as soon as possible.

In the meantime, the investigation inside the prison went on largely in secret.

There were reports that suspicion of the killing of at least two guards was focusing on one unidentified inmate.

Speculation also continued about the motive for Saturday's alleged escape attempt. One theory reportedly being considered was that the small gun allegedly smuggled in to George Jackson and explosives found hidden in the adjustment center were planned to be used at a "Soledad Brothers" court appearance in San Francisco Monday, but were used in an abortive escape attempt when the gun was discovered.