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## Some of 22

## In Q Fast

## Eat Lunch

Most of the fasting inmates in San Quentin's Adjustment Center took breakfast and lunch yesterday, but there was no indication this was the end of a prisoner's protest that began last Sunday.

Lee Debord, officer of the day, said about 15 of the 22 involved accepted food and added that "time will tell" whether the others will follow.

"It could go two ways," he said. "Either the fast is breaking up or they will eat a few meals and go back to fasting for a few days."

Debord said there was no indication whether Ruchell Magee, co-defendant of Angela Davis in the Marin County shootout, was still fasting.

He and two remaining prisoners charged with slaying a guard at Soledad Prison are among the fasting inmates at the site of the fatal shooting last August of three guards and three prisoners.

Prison officials have rejected for "security reasons" seven demands by the convicts, including requests for better food and access to the exercise yard.

Inmates of the Adjustment Center are regarded by prison officials as among the most dangerous in the State Prison System.