

THE VIETNAM TOLL

The longest war
in U.S. history
--the Vietnam
war--will

probably go down as
one of the most, if not
the most, con-
troversial wars in American
history.

The pollsters from the Gal-
lup organization asked a cross
section of the public this
question:

"Now that the U.S. has
reached a peace settlement in
Vietnam, do you think it was a
mistake for the U.S. to inter-
vene there with military
forces in the first place?"

The replies:

Yes--66 percent

No--30 percent

No opinion--4 percent

The Vietnam war not only
cost this country \$140 billion
plus 50,000 dead, and 340,000
wounded--but it caused three
successive federal adminis-
trations to lie constantly to
the American people. Moreover,
it cost the government the
faith and trust of American
youth.

If the Vietnam-Cambodian war
has taught this nation any-
thing, it is that U.S. Presi-
dents must not lie to the
people, and that the people
must vote into office a Con-
gress which will not so easily
abrogate its constitutional
power to declare war.

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