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Antiwar Vietnam Veterans Finish 4-Day March

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VALLEY FORGE, Pa., Sept. 7 —Chanting "What do you want?" and answering "Peace now," more than 100 veterans of the war in Vietnam arrived here today after a four-day march and led 1,500 other people in demanding an immediate American military withdrawal from South Vietnam.

The marchers, with weary muscles and blistered feet, formed a battle skirmish line in front of the Washington Memorial Chapel at the state park here and walked slowly on the wide expanse of the park's rolling grand parade ground. Their chants were answered by a growing chorus from the crowd below shouting "Stop the war, stop the war."

The marchers carried with them several black body bags that counted in white lettering

Rally Is Held at Valley Forge by More Than 100 Seeking End to U.S. Involvement

outside the 43,419 men killed in the war.

Then, as the veterans converged on the rally site, they and the audience joined in the chant "All we are saying is give peace a chance."

The rally, which was organized by the Vietnam Veterans Against the War, a Manhattan-based group, ended an 84-mile march that began early Friday morning outside Morristown, N. J. Along the route, the marchers staged simulated battle incidents that portrayed alleged American brutality and war atrocities in Vietnam.

Although other veterans were

in the crowd this afternoon, most of the audience that sprawled on the freshly mowed grass were young persons.

Earlier, as the column moved into the park after marching under a bright sun from its campsite north of here, a small group of veterans supporting American military policy in Vietnam established a counter-demonstration across the street from the chapel. As the line of marchers moved past, the opposing veterans exchanged insults.

David MacQueen, a 48-year-old member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars who said he won eight battle stars in the South Pacific in World War II, held a sign that said "Only the mentally deprived want peace at any price."

Another supporter of the war, carrying a Confederate flag, shouted "traitor" and "coward" as the marchers went by.

Among the speakers at the rally were Representative Alford K. Lowenstein, Democrat of Nassau County; Donald Sutherland, the actor; Jane Fonda, the actress; Mark Lane, the civil rights and antiwar lawyer and Charles Bevel, a leader of a black group from Baltimore, which is marching to the United Nations to protest alleged American genocide in South Vietnam.

The rally ended when the marchers smashed the toy sub-machine guns they had carried for the last four days.