

A group of several hundred Canadians attempted a "symbolic invasion" of the United States on Saturday in the area of the International Peace Arch Park, about 30 miles south of Vancouver, British Columbia. They originally planned to walk 27.1 miles [21.7?] into the United States, the same distance that President Nixon reportedly said United States troops would be allowed to penetrate into Cambodia.

The group entered the town of Blaine, just inside the American border, and pulled down several United States flags there and burned them. They broke windows and damaged new cars on a train siding. Some fist fights took place between residents of Blaine and the Canadians. Washington state troopers, police and sheriff's deputies forced the demonstrators back into Canada.

On Sunday, a group of about 600 Americans and Canadians held a one-hour prayer service at Peace Arch Park, opposing United States involvement in Southeast Asia. A group of about 200 residents of Blaine met them with baseball bats, steel pipes and bicycle chains, but no incidents of violence were reported and the meeting was held as scheduled.

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President Nixon met with 43 U.S. state and territorial governors in Washington today in a closed meeting. Governor David Cargo of New Mexico, who left the meeting before it ended, said that the President and the Secretary of State briefed the governors on U.S. operations in Indochina. The President and the governors then discussed student unrest. ... Gov. Cargo said that Vice-President Agnew took a strict line in discussing student unrest. He [Agnew?] said that we have to reestablish authority on the campus and that the anti-intellectual forces were in control, and until they were removed there would be no way to carry on a dialogue with the students or faculty.