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Washington

The Air Force said yesterday that Alfred H. Hubbard, identified Sunday in a nationwide telecast as a Vietnam veteran and a former Air Force captain and pilot, actually had been a sergeant with no record of service in Vietnam.

Hubbard himself appeared again on television yesterday and said he had posed as an officer and pilot to give himself "an image" in the anti-war movement.

"Today, Hubbard confessed although he did not serve in Vietnam, he was a sergeant and flight engi- it was after he came back

neer," said television moderator Ron Nessen, who introduced Hubbard during his second appearance on NBC's Today show. Hubbard made no mentimn about being in Vietnam during his second appearance.

Anti-War'Veteran'

Lied About Service

As one of the leaders of Vietnam veterans protesting in Washington against the war, Hubbard was interviewed on NBC's "Meet the Press" on Sunday.

Moderator Lawrence E. Spivak introduced him as a dormer Air Force captain who had served two years in Vietnam. Hubbard said then

Chain of Flame

A tanker truck began leaking its liquid gas cargo yesterday, then exploded, enver loping it and eight following cars in flames. Ghent Hospital said eight persons were injured, six critically.

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from Vietnam that he started actively considering the country was wrong in its presence in Southeast Asia.

The Air Force said Hubbard, 35, entered the Air Force in 1952, re-enlisted twice and was honorably discharged in 1966. He was a staff sergeant, the highest grade he ever held, the Fair Force said.

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