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Indian rights demonstrations in Washington end

WASHINGTON — Indians demonstrating for human rights Wednesday wrapped up five days of demonstrations with a march across the White House.

National Park Service spokesman said Indians participating in the "Longest Walk" march from San Francisco to Washington numbered about 2,800 at the height of demonstrations.

Only about 1,000 remained at their campsite at the Belmont, Md., National Park 12 miles from downtown.

Even though the Indians had permits to build 50 teepees on Washington Monument grounds, the ceremonial site was constructed, the spokesman said. He added that a ceremonial ending of the religious fasting of medicine men and

spiritual leaders scheduled for Thursday was held Tuesday night at Greenbelt.

Indian leaders met Tuesday with Vice President Walter Mondale, Interior Secretary Cecil Andrus and his assistant for Indian matters, Forrest Gerard.

The three-hour White House session began when "Grandfather" David Monogye, a Hopi from Arizona who is more than 90 years old, removed his red headband, brushed a white powder against his lips, recited some prayers in a low voice, and sprinkled the powder on Mondale's desk and light blue carpet.

Mondale called the walk "dramatic and courageous."

The group demonstrated Wednesday in front of the White House and across the street at Lafayette Square against President Carter's human rights stand, which they charge is "hypocritical" because it does not focus on abuses in the United States.

Carter initially was expected to attend Tuesday's White House session with the elders, but the Indians, many with long braids, feathered head dresses, moccasins and traditional jewelry, were almost an hour late and Carter had other appointments on his schedule.

A large group of Indians demonstrating at the FBI headquarters received even a less friendly reception.

A long metal gate was pulled across the fortress-like building early in the day "as a precaution," a spokesman said.

Mondale told the Indians he would "remain open" to the Indian views and would make a full report on the meeting to Carter, his spokesman said.

The Indians presented five principal issues, the spokesman said, including requests for a meeting with Carter to talk about Indian treaties, genocide against Indians, human rights and natural resources.

Another group of Indians met at the Capitol with Rep. Jack Cunningham, R-Wash., who has introduced a bill that would eliminate treaties, reservations, hunting and fishing rights and all federal programs for Indians.

Carter's efforts to control rising hospital costs stalled

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president, who earlier called on the committee to pass the bill as one of his major inflation fighters of this session. He said hospital costs rose 16 percent in 1977.

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their routes, claiming equipment was in a state of disrepair. Employees at the eastern New Orleans yard said only five trucks were available for 28 routes.

Vandalism and threats against maintenance workers were reported as mechanics worked through the night to repair the trucks, part of a fleet of 122. Only 49 were in operation Tuesday, but Koloski said 70 were available for service by mid-morning Wednesday.

Repairmen said garbage truck drivers chased them from a maintenance yard with clubs, then cut wires controlling loading systems on about 20 trucks.

Most of them took him at his word, with 565 guards pledging a firm. They were joined by some but employees, members of the youth detention center staff and staff's deputies also on the picket line.

A total of 20,000 city employees have been involved in the

city's ultimatum followed a court order classifying some workers as "essential" and forbidding them to strike.

"If they are not back to work they will be replaced," Rizzo said. "I'll never get back to work as long as I'm mayor of this city."

New Orleans Sanitation Director Koloski, who worked through the night at the eastern New Orleans garbage depot, said about 20 trucks rolled onto the streets by 7 p.m. Wednesday. Usually about 50 trucks make the rounds, though Wednesday ordinarily is a day off.

Only about 60 men were working, compared with a normal contingent of 100.

The men refused to go out on

Louisiana men share first 'Oink Oink' title

BATON ROUGE — Former Gov. John McKeithen and state Rep. Carl Gunter will share the first annual "Oink Oink" award for male chauvinism, members of the Louisiana Women's Political Caucus said.

Marty Beasley of Ruston, chairman of the caucus, said McKeithen and Gunter qualified for the award by recent statements she said represent a "negative attitude" which "constantly retards the economic, social and cultural progress of women."

McKeithen's award will "honor" him for a statement made at a July 10 news conference in Baton Rouge where he quashed rumors he would run for governor again saying it was "a young man's game."

Gunter's nomination was based on his House speech against the Equal Management Law, which ended the rule of the husband as "head and master" of a family's property.

"There ain't no way to make people equal," Gunter said. "One's born smart and one's born stupid. One's born rich and one's born poor. One's born a man and one's born a woman."

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