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Phil Ochs "The War is Over"

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C#m

Silent Soldiers on a silver screen A F#m E A F#m Framed in fantasies and dragged in dream Bm E7 A Unpaid actors of the mystery Bm E F#m E The mad director knows that freedom will not make you free F#m E And what's this got to do with me G D I declare the war is over AEEAEC#m It's over, it's over

Drums are drizzling on a grain of sand Fading rhythms of a fading land Prove your courage in the proud parade Trust your leaders where mistakes are almost never made And they're afraid that I'm afraid

I'm afraid the war is over It's over, it's over

Angry artists painting angry signs Use their vision just to blind the blind Poisoned players of a grizzly game One is guilty and the other gets the point to blame Pardon me if I refrain

I declare the war is over It's over, it's over

So do your duty, boys, and join with pride Serve your country in her suicide Find the flags so you can wave goodbye But just before the end even treason might be worth a try This country is to young to die

I declare the war is over It's over, it's over

One-legged veterans will greet the dawn And they're whistling marches as they mow the lawn And the gargoyles only sit and grieve The gypsy fortune teller told me that we'd been deceived You only are what you believe

I believe the war is over It's over, it's over

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