She walks for 'World Peace'

A silver haired woman in her early fifties, who said she was ageless, tireless, and nameless with nothing in the way of worldly possessions walked through Stamps early Monday afternoon on a pilgrim for world peace.

She had vowed; she would remain a wanderer until mankind had learned the ways of peace. Her steady measured tread had taken her across the United States twice.

And in her wandering, she had crossed Arkansas twice; this was her first swing through Stamps and Lafayette county.

The woman was dressed in navy blue slacks and shirt, and a short tunic with pockets all around the bottom in which she carried her only worldly possessions: a tooth brush, a comb, a ball point pen, some unanswered letters.

Inscribed on the tunic were "PEACE PILGRIM" in white letters on the front and "WALKING 25,000 MILES FOR PEACE" on the back.

She had no set number of miles to walk.

She refused to answer any questions concerning her biographical background.

Parry each questions with the retort that her names was of no importance.

She said, "My friends, the world's situation is grave. Humanity, with fearful, flailing steps, walks a knife-edge between complete chaos and a golden age, while strong forces push toward chaos."

She continued, "Unless we, the people of the world, awake from our lethargy and push firmly and quickly away from chaos, all that we cherish will be destroyed in the holocaust which will descend."

One of her magic formulas for solving the evil of the world was: Have as you objective the resolving of the conflict --- not the gaining of advantage.

She explained that her energy and courage to walk, to walk in face of physical hardship and penniless came from an inner faith.

She pointed out that her faith came to her about 25 years ago it was 10 year later before she took a vow to walk.

Saying:

"I shall remain a wanderer until mankind has learned the way of peace, walking until I am given shelter and fasting until I am given food."