

Black Attacks Blamed in 7 Police Deaths

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WASHINGTON (AP) — Black extremists made more than 100 attacks in the past six months on the nation's police officers, FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover reported today.

In a year-end report on FBI activities during 1969, Hoover said at least seven policemen died and more than 120 other were injured in combat with militant Negro groups.

He released no figures on the number of Negroes killed in the skirmishes.

BUT HE said "extremist all-Negro, hate-type organizations, such as the Black Panther Party, continued to fan the flames of riot and revolution" during the year.

"Many of these groups, whose leaders preach violence and hatred of the white race, have been involved in shootouts with local police," he said.

"Many attacks on police by black extremists," he added, "are unprovoked and nothing more than planned ambushes."

Although Hoover did not mention it, Black Panther leaders have accused the Justice Department, and the FBI, of taking part in an organized national campaign to destroy the group. The department officially denied it.

WHILE CONDEMNING black extremists, Hoover also predicted "an upsurge in recruiting activity" by the Ku Klux Klan in the wake of the release from prison of Robert M. Shelton, imperial wizard of the United Klans of America.

Shelton was freed last month after serving a federal prison term for contempt of Congress.

Hoover contends there was a marked shift during 1969 in the so-called New Left movement, with many groups now advocating "violent revolution."

Referring to the students for a Democratic Society, Hoover said all of its factions support "the concept of a Marxist-Leninist revolutionary group dedicated to the violent overthrow of the United States government."

HE SINGLED out the Weatherman faction of SDS as a particularly violent element that "seeks to establish itself in the vanguard of the revolutionary movement by engaging in terrorist tactics."

And he said the SDS was largely responsible for student unrest during the past year on the nation's college campuses.

Those disturbances, he said, resulted in more than 4,000 arrests, more than \$3 million in damage, one death and more than 125 injuries at more than 225 college campuses during the 1968-69 school year.

"Continuing the trend," he said, "the current school year has seen approximately 215 demonstrations thus far, including 24 sit-ins or building seizures."

HOOVER listed 16 incidents of arson on campuses, two bombings, more than 350 arrests and 33 police officers injured in the school year that began last September.

In discussing the anti-war movement, Hoover charged that "a number of individuals" on the steering committee of the New Mobilization Committee to End the War in Vietnam "are, or have been affiliated with old-line communist groups." He named only Arnold Johnson, public relations director for the Communist Party, USA.

Moreover, he said, those individuals are "coordinating their activities with international Communist elements."

Hoover said the Vietnam war, and resistance to it, continues to add to the FBI's workload because of persons "found to be deliberately avoiding military service."