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U.S. Extremists, Foreign Ties Seen by FBI

WASHINGTON (AP) —The FBI says there has been an expansion of foreign influence in black extremist groups and that the "violence-prone" Progressive Labor Party has made progress in infiltrating the Students for a Democratic Society; SDS.

FBI director J. Edgar Hoover, in the 1968 annual report of agency activities released today, said foreign influence in black extremist groups "continues to receive close attention."

"The growing number of black extremist organizations throughout the United States represent a potential threat to the internal security of the nation," Hoover's report said, "and their growth has definitely added to the FBI's work in the racial intelligence field."

THE REPORT also said what

it called the Marxist-Leninist Progressive Labor Party has concentrated its youth program largely toward infiltration of SDS, which the report said is at the core of the New Left movement in the United States.

"The Progressive Labor Party has had considerable success," the report said, "and one result of its work has been the movement of a large part of SDS from an anarchistic outlook toward a Maoist-oriented, Marxist-Leninist approach."

The report said a workshop on sabotage and explosives was conducted during the national SDS convention last June and "it was only a short time after this convention that the wave of bombing and arson occurred throughout the country."

IN CRIMINAL activities, the report said, the FBI set records in 1968 for fugitives located, stolen cars recovered and money saved or recovered by investigations.

Savings and recoveries totaled some \$335 million, an increase of \$45 million over the previous year, the report said.

It said more than 290 hoodlum, gambling and vice figures

were convicted during the year compared to 206 in 1967, a total of 21,000 fugitives were located and some 27,000 stolen cars were recovered.