

Hoover Links Reds To Berkeley Riots

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WASHINGTON, May 17 —

J. Edgar Hoover and a spokesman for the International Association of Chiefs of Police have told Congress there was Communist involvement in the student demonstrations at the University of California last fall.

Testimony by Mr. Hoover before a House Appropriations subcommittee was made public today. The Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation appeared March 4.

Charles E. Moore, public relations director of the police chiefs group, appeared today before the Senate Internal Security subcommittee.

Mr. Moore testified that the student demonstrations and an accompanying "filthy speech" episode had been "dominated by a small hard-core group" of Communists and Communist sympathizers who generated new demands upon the university's administration as fast as "the university yielded or surrendered at every turn" to other demands.

He called this a typical Communist tactic.

Mr. Hoover testified that individuals with subversive backgrounds who participated in the demonstrations included five faculty members. Thirty-eight others, he said, were students or connected with the university in some capacity.

Mr. Hoover did not identify the individuals in his testimony.

The demonstrations on the Berkeley campus were cited by the F.B.I. chief as an example of "a demonstration which, while not Communist-originated or controlled, has been exploited by a few Communists for their own ends."

"In this instance," he said, "a few hundred students contain within their ranks a handful of Communists that mislead, confuse and bewilder a great many students to their own detriment."

"Communist party leaders feel that based on what happened on the campus of the University of California at Berkeley, they can exploit similar student demonstrations to their own benefit in the future."

Mr. Hoover said Mario Savio, spokesman for the Free Speech Movement and the demonstrators, had a previous arrest record for sit-in demonstrations.

He said Mr. Savio made a tour of Midwest and Eastern colleges last November accompanied by Bettina Aptheker, daughter of Herbert Aptheker, whom Mr. Hoover identified as

W.E.B. Du Bois Club of America, Mr. Hoover said, is a Marxist-oriented youth organization founded in San Francisco last June and named in honor of Dr. William E. B. DuBois, a civil rights crusader who joined the Communist party at the age of 93.

"In memorializing the late Dr. DuBois, the new organization apparently hopes to win recognition and support from both domestic and international civil rights proponents, African nationalists, and more particularly the Negro youth of the United States," the F.B.I. chief testified.

"Following the trend of recent years of playing down the Communist label, the new Marxist youth organization is designed to attract youth interested in peace, disarmament, civil rights and the like."

Another witness before the Senate subcommittee was Stefan Possony, who testified that Communists had made student demonstrations such as those California a "spectator sport."

Mr. Possony, the Director of International Studies at the Hoover Institute at Stanford University, said "we must expect this is going to continue."

The subcommittee continues its hearings tomorrow.

Mr. Moore, who was a special agent for the F.B.I. from 1951 to 1961, told the Senators that he had spent about a week in California investigating the Berkeley campus disorders.

Mr. Moore testified that the real Communists had stayed in the background during the demonstrations, working mainly through others to whip student demonstrators to a type of frenzy." He said these others included many from "unusual backgrounds."

Finds Professional Pickets

Mr. Moore termed the DuBois clubs "An obvious Communist apparatus" and said Mr. Aptheker very clearly "was behind Mario Savio."

The police chiefs' representative said the Berkeley campus of the University of California literally swarmed with what he called professional pickets who had nothing to do with the school. Only about 5 per cent of the leadership came from the campus itself, he said.

Mr. Moore said the "filthy speech movement" during the disorders chose a "despicable four-letter word" as a slogan but that "I think they went a little bit too far" with that tactic. Many students didn't like it, he testified.

Mr. Moore asserted that the whole demonstration provided the Reds with an exercise in "crowd manipulation" and how to contend with the police by trying to make them seem "the tactical enemy."

At one point, Mr. Moore protested that some magazines had published sympathetic articles

East to participate in a program and that Mr. Savio used the trip to visit other campuses.

Mr. Hoover's wide-ranging testimony also said spies were included in virtually every Soviet group that visited the United States—diplomats, newsmen, scientists, businessmen, students and cultural exchange missions. He also said he opposed publicizing the testimony of Joseph Valachi, convicted murderer who broke a blood oath and divulged secrets of the Cosa Nostra.

"In regard to the Communist bloc espionage attack against this country, there has been no letup whatsoever," Mr. Hoover told the House subcommittee.

"Our government is about to allow them to establish consulates in many parts of the country which, of course, will make our work more difficult."

Asked if he thought advantages in cultural exchange would offset this disadvantage, the man who has headed the F.B.I. for 41 years replied:

"We have found in practically every cultural exchange group or student group that has come to this country, there is always a member of the KGB, the intelligence service of the Russian Government. They are called students but some are 36, 37 or 38 years old."

Mr. Hoover went on:

"The numerous Soviet scientific delegations which arrive in the United States to tour United States universities and scientific establishments invariably have among their members Soviet scientists who have been given special assignments by the KGB. It is established Soviet policy that among such groups are one or more full-time KGB officers who are in charge of the delegations."