

FBI Nabs Weatherman Fugitive

New York

The first major fugitive member of the radical Weatherman organization to be arrested in more than three years was arraigned yesterday on charges stemming from the Chicago "Day of Rage" rioting against the Vietnam War.

He was released on \$2500 bail.

Howard Norton Machtinger, 27, a fugitive for 3½ years, was arrested Wednesday night on an upper Manhattan street by an FBI agent who recognized him from a wanted poster.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Peter L. Truebner asked for bail of \$100,000, saying that if the defendant made bail "we'd start all over again" looking for him.

But federal magistrate Charles Hortenstine agreed to the lower bail when he was assured that Machtinger would remain with his mother in this city until he surrenders next Wednesday to be returned to Chicago.

In arguing for a lower bail, Machtinger's attorney, William Kunstler, said two others arrested in the case, Linda Evans and Judy Clark, had been freed on low bail and had not fled.

"Once they come up from the underground," he said, "they stay up."

Machtinger, a Columbia University graduate, was indicted in Chicago on April 2, 1970, with 11 others on charges of conspiracy and violation of the federal anti-riot act. Nine of those indicted, including Mark Rudd, Bernadine Dohrn and Kathy Boudin, are still listed as fugitives.

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