

SDS Groups Battle For Support

CHICAGO (UPI) — The National Convention of Students For a Democratic Society (SDS), having disposed of red tape, security precautions and publicity procedures, has settled down to self-criticism, factional rhetoric and a search for votes for national offices.

In its second full day at Chicago's antiquated Coliseum, SDS yesterday heard members of the Brown Berets and the Black Panther Party sharply criticize the role of the SDS in the "movement." Spokesmen for each of the two major SDS factions drew a mixture of cheers, jeers and obscenities.

Taunt Police

Outside the 69-year-old meeting hall, conventioners taunted police and members of the press, both officially barred from the convention sessions.

"You people have fouled up the revolution," Aaron Manganiello, national minister of education for the Brown Berets, told the delegates. The bearded Manganiello said SDS members had "alienated the blacks, spurned the working class and botched its tactics in opposing military training on campuses."

He called SDS "more arrogant than anyone else."

Rufus "Chaka" Walls, deputy minister of information for the Illinois Black Panther Party, said his group, not SDS, is the vanguard of the revolution. "The people couldn't find you" when police were beating blacks, he told the delegates.