

Bremer Enters Innocent Plea

UPPER MARLBORO, Md. (AP) — Arthur H. Bremer pleaded innocent today to state charges in connection with the shooting of Gov. George C. Wallace and the wounding of three other persons.

Bremer was taken from Baltimore County jail before dawn and brought under heavy guard to the Prince George's County Circuit Court.

Bremer had pleaded innocent to federal charges last Wednesday.

THE 21-YEAR-OLD Milwaukee man was indicted last Tuesday on six counts for each of the four persons injured.

He was charged with attempted murder, assault and battery, assault with intent to murder, assault with intent to maim and two violations of state gun control laws.

The injured, in addition to Wallace, were Alabama State Trooper Capt. E.C. Dothard, Secret Service agent Nicholas Zarvos, and Dora Thompson, a Wallace campaign worker from Alabama.

The shootings took place at a Wallace campaign rally at a Laurel, Md. shopping center May 15.

WALLACE remains hospitalized in a

Silver Spring, Md., hospital, where doctors say his condition is slowly improving.

Bremer's only response during the 15-minute arraignment was an affirmative reply when asked if he had received copies of the indictments.

The unemployed busboy was dressed the way he was for the federal arraignment—in a sport jacket and slacks.

The defendant's plea of innocent was formally entered by the court, a procedure common in the county, according to Arthur A. Marshall, Prince George's County state's attorney.

BENJAMIN Lipsitz, who was appointed to represent Bremer in the federal proceedings, was in the courtroom but there was some question whether his jurisdiction in the case extended to the state level, Marshall said.

"Usually on the state level, Bremer would be represented by the public defender," the county prosecutor said.

A tentative trial date has been set for July 12 on the state charges. No date has been set for trial on the federal charges.