

MARYLAND DROPS 7 BREMER CHARGES

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But It Continues to Press
for Trial on 12 Other Counts

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UPPER MARLBORO, Md., June 21—The state dropped today seven charges against Arthur Herman Bremer stemming from the attempted assassination of Gov. George C. Wallace but continued to press for a July 12 trial on the remaining 17 counts.

Judge Ralph W. Powers of the Prince George's County Circuit Court rejected four of five defense motions at a hearing, but took under advisement a request that the trial date be postponed until after separate but related Federal charges are resolved.

The charges that were dropped by the prosecutor, Arthur A. Marshall, were four counts of attempted murder and three attempted murder and three handgun law.

The attempted murder charges were dropped because they conflict with four charges of felonious assault, which were retained, according to Mr. Marshall.

Mr. Marshall also retained a fourth handgun violation charge against Mr. Bremer, a 21-year-old former busboy and janitor, contending that the three other charges represented double-jeopardy.

Victims in Shootings

Mr. Bremer, of Milwaukee, is accused of wounding Governor Wallace of Alabama and three others at a rally in Laurel, Md., on May 15, the day before the state's primary election here.

Governor Wallace, a candidate for the Democratic Presidential nomination, remains partially paralyzed below the waist. The others, Nicholas Zarvos, a Secret Service agent; E. C. Dothard, a captain in the Alabama State Police; and Mrs. Dora Thompson, a spectator from Hyattsville, Md., are recovering satisfactorily.

Mr. Bremer's lawyer, Benjamin Lipsitz, complained in his motion asking for a postponement that state and Federal officials appeared to be in a "race" to try his client, who is being held on \$200,000 bail in jail in Towson, Md.

Federal charges have been set for trial on July 17, five days after the scheduled beginning of the state's trial.

Mr. Marshall told the court, however, that he has been assured "the Federal Government would not be prepared to go forward" on the scheduled date.

Among the defense requests dismissed by Judge Powers were motions to throw the charges out altogether and to force disclosure of the state's evidence in the case.