

Was Sane, Jury Says  
BREMER IS FOUND GUILTY

UPPER MARLBORO, Md. (AP) — Arthur H. Bremer was found sane and convicted today of all charges arising out of the shooting of Alabama Gov. George C. Wallace and three other persons.

The verdict was returned only one hour and 35 minutes after the six men and six women retired to consider evidence to support four charges of assault with intent to murder and five charges of violating Maryland's handgun control law.

As the verdict was read, Bremer was leaning back in his chair at the defense table. His only visible reaction was the half-grin he had shown during the five-day trial.

THE FIRST decision reported by the jury was that Bremer was legally sane when he fired the .38-caliber

bullets that left the Alabama governor partially paralyzed and eliminated him from the 1972 Democratic presidential race.

After this, the guilty verdicts on the individual charges were read. The de-

in control of his own actions the day Wallace and three others were wounded.

The case was given to the jury at 11:40 a. m. CDT after four-and-a-half-days of testimony.

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fense then had the jury polled individually.

The jurors received the case after hearing the 21-year-old former busboy described as fully sane by the prosecution but called a schizophrenic by the defense, which contended he was not

"HE KNEW he'd be arrested . . . he knew he'd be on trial. This is his moment of glory," prosecutor Arthur A. Marshall Jr. told the jury in his closing argument.

"I think he's unhappy he didn't kill Gov. Wallace. He knows he's only a

second-rate assassin, not a first-rate assassin," declared Marshall, Prince Georges County state's attorney.

Benjamin Lipsitz, Bremer's lawyer, countered that the defendant is a schizophrenic who "can't cope with the world."

"He wants to kill you, and he can't stop it," Lipsitz said.

HE TOLD the jurors that Bremer intellectually understands what he is doing "but it is meaningless to him on a gut level. This man has no emotional capacity to understand anything."

Lipsitz described Bremer as "a volcano sitting over there ready to explode."

Marshall told the panel of six men and six women the Bremer case "has to do with the right of a famous person to walk the streets . . . free of fear of

people like that one at that table who wanted to exploit him for fame and personal wealth."

As Marshall spoke, Bremer sat impassively across the courtroom at the defense table. A slight smile occasionally formed on his lips as the prosecutor led off the closing prosecution and defense arguments.

BREMER WAS charged with assault with intent to commit murder and with weapons violations. His lawyer mounted a defense based on the contention that the defendant was mentally unable to understand his actions.

Marshall reminded the jury they had heard the defense refer to Bremer as a "poor, odd, weird, strange, schizoid, schizophrenic individual. But does that give him justification to go around and shoot people?"