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Martha Mitchell said last night that Alabama Governor George Wallace had told her he believed former President Nixon was behind the attempt to assassinate him.

But in Montgomery, Ala., Wallace issued a statement denying that he had implicated Mr. Nixon in any way in connection with the shooting. Wallace said he had told Mrs. Mitchell only what he has said publicly. He stressed he was not pointing an accusing finger at anyone.

Mrs. Mitchell, the estranged wife of former U.S. Attorney General John Mitchell, told David Frost in a nationwide television interview here that Wallace told her: "Nixon was the one who had me shot."

"When I was down in Alabama in the government mansion talking to George, he made no bones about it," she said.

Asked if Wallace had any evidence, Mrs. Mitchell replied: — "Yes — because you remember one of the people in the White House went to see Bremer prior to the shooting."

Arthur Bremer, a 21-year-old porter, is serving a prison term of 53 years for the May, 1972, attempted assassination of Wallace.

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