

Wallace to seek a third term

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MONTGOMERY (Ala.) — Gov. George C. Wallace has made up his mind to run for an unprecedented third term as governor.

He has told friends he plans an active campaign next year despite the paralysis caused by a 1972 assassination attempt.

The 54 year old governor, confined to a wheelchair most of the time, has declined to confirm or deny the speculation, but the Associated Press learned that he will run.

After next year's election — in which Wallace is a heavy favorite at the moment — the governor will turn his thoughts to the 1976 presidential election. How-

ever, no decision has been made yet about a possible bid for the Democratic nomination.

Wallace's formal announcement probably will be withheld until mid-January.

During the campaign Wallace plans on making at least one appearance a day and perhaps more. But he

has told friends: "I'm not going to try to make five or six speeches a day like I once did."

State Sen. Eugene McLain of Huntsville, a frequent critic of the present administration, has announced he will run. And there is talk that former Gov. Albert Brewer, who lost the Democratic nomination to Wallace in 1970, may try again.