GEORGE WALLACE IS SHOT

LAUREL, Md. (AP)—Ala. Gov. George C. Wallace was shot Monday afternoon while campaigning at a shopping center. He was felled by the shot and taken away in an ambulance. His condition was not immediately known.

One report at the scene said four shots were fired. One of Wallace's campaign workers, a woman, was wounded in the gunfire. She was taken away in a second ambulance.

Moments later, George Mangum, a Wallace campaign worker, told the crowd: "I'm told the police have a man in custody."

Wallace and the woman were collapsed on the ground near the speaker's rostrum, where first aid was administered until the first ambulance arrived. The wounded woman, not immediately identified, was crying and was comforted by police. Wallace was taken to Leland Memorial Hospital.

Gilly Grammer, a country music entertainer on the platform with Wallace when the gunfire erupted, said the candidate was hit twice, once in the middle of the stomach and once in the left arm.

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More gunshots

The equanimity of the nation has been shattered once more with the shooting of Alabama Gov. George Wallace.

Gov. Wallace, along with several other persons, was gunned down as he campaigned in Maryland for the Democratic presidential nomination on the eve of today's Maryland primary.

Such acts of violence, feeding as they do upon themselves, pose a threat to the stability of American political life and, indeed, the nation.

How are such acts stopped? That is the terrifying question. For there is no ready answer.

At this point, we can only hope that Gov. Wallace is spared the fate, as now seems likely, of the three men whose deaths are recollected by this event . . . John F. Kennedy, Martin Luther King and Robert F. Kennedy.