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Bail Set

For Suspect

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A federal magistrate ordered Arthur Herman Bremer, 21, of Milwaukee, Wis., held on \$200,000 bail last night on charges of shooting Governor George Wallace of Alabama and a Secret Service agent.

Bremer, a 21-year-old, five-foot, six-inch blond, was ordered held for a hearing a week from tomorrow on two federal counts: interfering with a Secret Service agent—Nick Zarvos of Atlanta, who was also wounded — and interfering with Wallace by force and violating his civil rights as a political candidate.

U. S. Magistrate Clarence E. Goetz appointed Benjamin Lipsitz of Baltimore to act as Bremer's attorney.

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After leaving the court, Bremer was reportedly taken to Towson, just north of Baltimore, where he will be held.

BLOOD

Bremer, who was pummeled to the ground at the suburban Laurel Shopping Center immediately after Wallace was shot, had three large welts across the back and side of his head, and his close-cropped light hair was matted with blood.

Asked by Goetz if he knew of his civil rights, Bremer replied "Yes, I do."

Speaking in a soft voice, Bremer also said he had no money, was not employed and when asked if he had any cash on him or in the bank said "I have less than two dollars."

He told the court he had a motor vehicle but added "my worth is less than \$200."

PAIN

Bremer was led handcuffed into the court by fed-

eral agents and U. S. marshals. He grunted when the handcuffs were removed, indicating he had been in pain.

He was wearing a yellow shirt, blue trousers described as resembling hospital issue, and wore a white sock on one foot and a blue slipper on the other.

Bremer at first had told the court he did not want a court-appointed lawyer, but accepted Lipsitz after indicating he wanted a lawyer from the American Civil Liberties Union.

United States Attorney George Beall recommended the \$200,000 bond because of the "nature and circumstances of the charges."

"The weight of the evidence against him is very strong," Beall said.

WEAPON

The Federal attorney said the weapon found on the scene was purchased by Bremer last January 13 in Milwaukee.

Beall also said Bremer had been convicted for misdemeanor after a charge of carrying a concealed weapon was reduced to a disorderly conduct, for which Bremer paid a \$25 fine last fall.

HELPER

Bremer is a student at the Milwaukee Area Technical College where he is studying photography, a spokesman for the Milwaukee school system told the Washington Post. Bremer had worked as a busboy at the Milwaukee Athletic Club, the head waiter there said. He also said that Bremer worked as a janitor's helper in a Milwaukee elementary school.

A Milwaukee reporter Sam Martino said he entered Bremer's apartment and found it in an untidy condition. The apartment contained two boxes of bullets, a Confederate flag, a Black Panther newspaper, seven targets for pistol shooting which were unused, local newspapers scattered on the floor and a book called "Sex Comics" that depicted comic book characters performing sexual acts.

A small notebook found in the cluttered apartment included a handwritten pas-

sage that said "Happiness is hearing George Wallace singing the National Anthem or having him arrested for a hit and run traffic accident."

Other scribbles in the little notebook:

"My country tiz of thee, sweet land of bigotry."

"Just call me Canoe. my mother likes to paddle me a lot."

"Nixon uses a night light."

'WEIRD'

Bremer's former girlfriend, contacted by telephone in Milwaukee, described the suspect as "weird ..."

"He didn't act like he was 21," said 16-year-old Joan Pemrich, a high school sophomore. "He didn't know how to bowl or roller skate. I didn't think he knew how to do anything ... He didn't even have a TV or a radio in his apartment."

Miss Pemrich said Bremer kept no guns in his apartment, which she described as "messy." She said Bremer had no friends but his family. On their three or four dates together, she said, Bremer had "tried to take me to dirty movies."

"He always liked dirty movies," she said.

QUIET

Miss Pemrich's mother

described the suspect as "a very quiet young man" — a characterization agreed upon by all who knew him and were interviewed by the press.

Mrs. Pemrich said, however, that Bremer never talked politics.

Bremer's brother, Roger, a senior at South Division High School, said Bremer left home last August and took his own apartment. The younger brother said, "nobody could talk to him."

The younger Bremer said that once his mother went to visit Bremer and "he shut the door in her face."

"We never knew much about him," Roger Bremer said. "I don't see how he could have done it. He was quiet and shy."

A medical student who lived in Bremer's neighborhood and knew him slightly said Bremer "always wore a plain blue suit and a hat pulled down over his eyes." In an interview, Bob McWhirter, 25, said, "I tried to talk to him, but I never could get through to him. I would wave but he never would respond."



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Arthur Bremer (white shirt), the suspect in the Wallace shooting, appeared in federal court in Baltimore last night