

Bremer Questioned at Michigan Rally

KALAMAZOO (Mich.) — (UPI) — The suspect in the shooting of Alabama Gov. George Wallace was questioned as a "suspicious person" by police prior to a Wallace rally here last Saturday.

But he was not held.

Deputy Chief Orville Ragan said today an officer questioned Arthur Herman Bremer after police received a tip about a "suspicious person" sitting in a parked car near the Kalamazoo armory, where the Wallace rally — his last in the governor's campaign for the Michigan primary — was held.

Questioned

Ragan said the officer questioned Bremer for about five minutes, ran a check on his 1968 two-door Rambler to

see if it was stolen, and also checked to see if Bremer was wanted by police anywhere.

"The officer asked him what he was doing," Ragan said. "It was raining and the man said he was waiting for the rally to start."

Ragan said there was no reason to hold Bremer and that the check made on him was the same police would make on a routine traffic stop.

"I would have liked it to have turned out differently," Ragan said. "I would have liked the man to have done something to have reason to hold him."

Grinning

Mrs. Vicki Hambright of Kalamazoo said she sat next

to Bremer at the rally. She said she recognized him from a photograph printed in the Kalamazoo Gazette.

"He didn't say anything to me," she said. "I thought he was a Wallace fan. He just kept sitting there grinning and he was talking about Gov. Wallace and all the things we thought he was good for."



EARLIER YESTERDAY, SHOOTING SUSPECT ATTENDED A RALLY AT WHEATON, MD. Wearing a Wallace button, a man thought to be Arthur Bremer appeared in the welcoming crowd

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MAN CHARGED WITH WALLACE SHOOTING

Arthur Bremer, in white, crouches against officer

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