

# Wallace Is Visited In Hospital by Nixon

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SILVER SPRING, Md., May 19—Gov. George C. Wallace of Alabama got a surprise visit from President Nixon today and then sat for a while in a hospital chair and took his first food since he was shot on Monday. Until today he had been fed intravenously.

A medical bulletin issued prior to the President's mid-morning visit said Mr. Wallace had spent a good night but that the paralysis in his lower body, caused by a bullet in his spinal canal, remained unchanged.

The President emerged from Holy Cross Hospital in this sub-

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urb of Washington after a 20-minute visit with the wounded Governor and described him as alert and in good spirits.

"He looked like he was just in for a tonsillectomy," Mr. Nixon said. "The most important thing is that nothing has happened to his head or heart."

The 21-year-old suspect in the shooting, Arthur Herman Bremer, remained in the Baltimore County jail in Towson, Md., today under heavy Federal guard. He was visited by his court-appointed attorney, Benjamin Lipsitz. State and Federal indictments will be sought against him Tuesday.

### Shooting Inquiry Continues

Meanwhile, Federal authorities continued their investigation of the shooting. A Browning 9-mm. automatic pistol discovered hidden in the wheel well beneath the trunk of Mr. Bremer's car by Prince George County police was turned over to the Federal Bureau of Investigation laboratory for ballistics tests. Similar tests were conducted earlier on the .38-caliber revolver found at the site of the shooting, but no results have been disclosed.

Paul Kramer, First Assistant United States Attorney in Baltimore, explained today that the F.B.I. agents had sought a second search warrant to dismantle Mr. Bremer's bar, but that before the warrant was obtained, the county police had found the second weapon.

### Nixon Visits Wounded Agent

After his brief visit with the Governor, President Nixon was driven back to Walter Reed Army Medical Center, where he spoke with Nicholas Zarvos, the 37-year-old Secret Service agent who was also shot in the burst of gunfire at a shopping center in Laurel, Md.

Mr. Zarvos, wounded in the throat, is listed in satisfactory condition at the Army hospital. President Nixon said that he wanted Mr. Zarvos to have "any assignment he wants" after his recuperation.

Two other persons wounded, an Alabama state trooper and a Maryland woman working in Mr. Wallace's campaign, have been released from the hospital.

There has been no decision on when or if the 52-year old Democratic Presidential candi-

date will be transferred to another hospital for surgery to remove the bullet lodged between his spinal column and spinal cord.

Billy Joe Camp, his press secretary, said today that the question had been discussed but that any final choice would be made by the Governor's physicians and family.

### Return to Alabama

Mr. Nixon said that he had repeated his offer of the Presidential suite at Walter Reed, only three miles from Holy Cross Hospital, but that Mr. Wallace had indicated to him that he would prefer to return to Alabama.

The President had earlier offered him the use of an Air Force hospital plane if he should choose to return to his home state for recuperation from the four wounds he suffered.

Mr. Nixon was flown in a helicopter from his Camp David retreat in the Maryland mountains to Walter Reed and then was driven to the hospital, where Mr. Wallace has been in a seventh-floor intensive-care unit since early Tuesday.

The President said that the Governor had told him he was having problems sleeping. "The trouble is that they keep trying to turn you over all the time," Mr. Nixon quoted Governor Wallace.

### Maintain Circulation

Doctors said that the movements were necessary to maintain circulation in the Governor's paralyzed legs. He began a program of physical therapy yesterday that consists of having his legs moved and massaged.

No politics were discussed during his visit, the President said, but Mr. Wallace did show an interest in the President's trip to the Soviet Union and was promised a briefing when Mr. Nixon returns.

Mr. Camp said that the Governor was moved from his bed to a hospital-type chair in the early afternoon and sat for a few minutes at a 45-degree angle, not too different from a position possible on his bed.

The Governor told Mr. Camp that he had enjoyed talking with the President and wished him well on his departure for Moscow.

After finishing a half-bowl of chicken broth, the Governor

reportedly told a nurse, "I'm stuffed."

Despite the doctors' reports that his condition is stabilizing and the apparent jocularity of the Governor, many of those attending him and several members of his staff are pessimistic on the prospects of his return to the Presidential campaign before the Democratic National Convention opens on July 10 in Miami Beach.

### Doctors Doubtful

Moreover, most of the doctors who have studied his injuries are dubious about his full recovery.

Mr. Wallace's campaign staff had planned before the assassination attempt to schedule him in several nonprimary states and perhaps limited appearances in California as part of a write-in drive in that state's June 6 primary election.

Today, however, there was little confidence among members of his staff that the Governor would be able to participate actively in the campaign again.