Bremer Is Traced
To Hotel HHH Uses

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The FBI is investigating the fact that Arthur Herman Bremer, accused of trying to kill Gov. George C. Wallace, spent the night of April 7 at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel in New York City—the same night Sen. Hubert H. Humphrey was scheduled to stay at the expensive Manhattan hotel.

The timing of Bremer’s stay, although it could be no more than a coincidence with Humphrey’s plans, was the first link between a presidential candidate other than Wallace and Bremer, a part-time janitor and busboy and sometime student.

The investigation of Bremer took another unexpected turn yesterday when it was discovered that Prince George’s County police found a 14-shot, semiautomatic pistol, often used as a military weapon, in Bremer’s car.

The local police discovered the 9 mm. weapon after the FBI had thoroughly searched Bremer’s 1968 Rambler. Neither the FBI nor the county police would say where the pistol was found in the car.

It also was learned yesterday that two months ago Bremer wrote a note to his Milwaukee congressman urging him to “cut the goddamned military spending” and to “get rid of the generals.”

The note, providing one of the few known glimpses into Bremer’s political thinking, was printed in his own handwriting at the bottom of a questionnaire sent out in late February.

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flyers had been placed on other cars at the Laurel shopping center that day.

He emphasized that the flyer had no connection with the continuing investigation into Bremer’s background.

It has been positively established that Bremer attended Wallace rallies in Wisconsin, Michigan and Maryland over the last several weeks.

Beyond that, nothing has surfaced publicly to indicate Bremer’s political leanings, other than the fact that he saved the money needed to buy a car, several weapons and finance his travels in recent weeks.

In Milwaukee, records in the public library show that Bremer took out two books on May 3—apparently that day Bremer can be placed in his home town.

The two books (due today) were “RFK Must Die,” and another book on Sirhan B. Sirhan, convicted assassin of Sen. Robert F. Kennedy.

Although little is known about Bremer’s political leanings, the note printed on the questionnaire revealed Bremer’s feelings on one major political issue—military spending.

Reuss represents the North Side of Milwaukee, the area in which Bremer lived, and had mailed the questionnaire to his constituents. According to a source who saw a copy of the questionnaire, Bremer told Reuss:

“Thank you for sending the questionnaire. It was a great idea. Cut the goddamned military spending. If I rob a bank of $25,000, I would go to prison for 20 years. But if the generals do it, they don’t. Get rid of the generals who spend $162 million for armored trucks instead of repairing them for $62 million. Thank you.”

The source said the note was printed in a clearly adult hand in a space reserved for additional comments at the bottom of the questionnaire.

The existence of the questionnaire became known early yesterday when the FBI filed search warrants in Baltimore listing items found in Bremer’s car. The items included a form letter Reuss mailed to Bremer May 3 thanking him for responding to the questionnaire and for his comments on military spending.

Reuss yesterday gave Bremer’s questionnaire to the FBI. It was not known how Bremer responded to the questions, which sought constituent opinion on such issues as unemployment, inflation, Vietnam policy, tax loopholes, na-
Ralph Dannheisser, aide to Reuss, said the FBI instructed Reuss and his staff not to discuss the contents of the questionnaire that Bremer answered with anyone.

Dannheisser said 177,000 of the questionnaires were sent out and that about 15,000 constituents replied. Bremer's reply was received in the latter part of March, he said.

Dannheisser said Reuss' office has no record of other correspondence with Bremer. When he was arrested Monday after the shooting of Wallace and three other persons at the Laurel rally, Bremer was carrying a .38-caliber revolver. There was no explanation of why the FBI had searched Bremer's car Tuesday, failed to discover the second weapon.

In their search Wednesday, Prince George's police took Bremer's car apart piece by piece. The FBI did not dismantle the car. Under orders from State's Attorney Arthur A. Marshall, Prince George's police refused to discuss the gun or reveal where in the car it was found.

The gun, traced by The Post through its serial number, was manufactured by the Browning Arms Co. in Morgan, Utah, in 1971. On Oct. 13, 1971, it was shipped to the Flintrop Arms Co., 4034 W. National Ave., Milwaukee.

Searching Bremer's car, Prince George's police also found one sealed white envelope with 5-cent and I-cent stamps with water marks and mud on them, and one ticket, apparently from a parking lot. The car, a two-door blue 1958 Rambler "Rebel" with large dents in both front fenders, was seen in the Laurel shopping center parking lot Monday about 75 feet from the spot where Wallace was shot. Police kept spectators away from the car Monday and had covered the car's yellow Wisconsin license plates with brown paper.

The FBI has impounded the contents of the car, which included clothing, pillows, a Wallace campaign poster, various items of stationery and miscellaneous articles such as a flashlight, a roll of tape, cording, and a pair of binoculars.

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