

Dr. Benjamin Spock, whose conviction on a conspiracy charge was recently reversed has vowed to accelerate his campaign against the Vietnam War. Here he holds 5-month-old Rachel Wilson at Martha's Vineyard, Mass. (RNS).

How Local Newspaper Broke Shannon Story

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ous task with a rather common name.

The first break when City Editor John Omicinski came to work and recognized the name Ruth Wilkinson as a former secretary to State Sen. Thômas Laverne.

Armed with this information. Power called Mrs. Wilkinson's address on St. Paul Boulevard only to learn that she had moved and left a forwarding address in Santa Fe, New Mexico.

"She said something about getting

The relative was reluctant to dis cuss the situation but with Power prodding that he already knew enough to do some sort of story and that it would be better if he had everything accurate, the facts began to emerge

"Why don't you check the Auburn records?" asked the relative.

"Why?" snapped Power.

"You might find out that the license was issued on July 3 and a marriage Aug. 2 in Endleott." The relative also told him it was

Hope Looks Down His Nose at Today's Shows

(NC News Service)

Milwaukee - Comedian Bob Hope, asked about the trend of today's movies and stage entertainment - where it was going, had a quick answer:

"I think we're all going to the police station to be arrested, that's where I mean everybody — those who are doing it and those who are wratching."

The funny man in some 250 telesiston shows, 1,000 radio shows, 53 movies and scores of trips to military bases overseas to entertain GIs, was being funny as he discussed today's

Expo Pavilion **To Center on Christian Life**

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"The Keys to St. Peter." From here visitors are led to a display of Japaneese Christian mementoes showing the witness and hope of Japanese Christians.

Behind the hall of Purgatory, the central area of the pavilion, the "Meditation Room," opens up to allow visitors time for quiet and introspection_

Special events are scheduled at the pavilion during the six months of the exposition. A pipe organ congress will be hed in April for musicians, and again in July to introduce the works of composers.

In drama, plays by Japanese Christian authors, and "Murder in the Cat.hedral," by T. S. Eliot will be pres-cuted- During August, various Chris-Lian groups will offer drama, music and lectures based on themes of the Bible. Ecumenical worship services will also be held frequently.

Expo '70 will open March 15, 1970.

Former Bishop Returns to (Continued from Page 1)

o ther lawyers.

Penfield N.Y.

a philosophy of entertainment. He said: "I'm positive the world needs Referring specifically to the curanyone who can make you laugh. Laughing means being happy and havrent New York stage production, "0 ing a good time. Everyone from presi-Calcutta," in which nudity and sexual relations are treated frankly, Hope dents, kings to the regular guy in the audience needs someone to make him said: "I went to see it and I wanted

He said he became an entertainer originally because "I inherited a Hope speculated obscenity would go any further nor last too long. He voice from my mother and a sense of timing from my father and found out said: "They've gone about as far as they can go. The people will reject I could make people laugh."

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experience.

"I feel I've been lucky in selecting this medium. I've been able to get out with people. It's quite a feeling when

gin in September, will consist of two

school years, or four academic sem-

esters, of preparation and pastoral

The permanent diaconate program,

conducted at St. John's by Father

Kieran Nolan, OSB, will train men,

the name of the Church, presiding

you can get on the phone and talk to a man who is paralyzed and then his wife, in tears, tells you how much you cheered him up," he said,

His voice became more serious when he spoke of entertaining GIs overseas, especially at Christmas time.

"It's the most inspiring thing that ever happened to me. It's an experience, I tell you, to entertain those kids who are giving so much so patriotically. We have a tough schedule. I sometimes think to myself, this will be my last trip. But I know if I'd stay home, I'd be sick," he said.

Hope insisted most of the youth in the United States are patriotic despite the war protest demonstrations. "I think most of the demonstrations stem from the fact that we look like losers in Vietnam. For five or six years we've had rough going over there, no one was going any place, we lost a lot of wonderful guys. I can hardly blame these kids for objecting. If you're with a winner, its a different thing," he said.

Back in 1933 when Hope appeared in "Roberta" on Broadway he met singer Delores Reade, a Catholic, and the next year married her in Erie, Pa. They have four adopted children who have been raised in the Catholic faith.

Asked whether Catholicism as such has had any direct influence on his life, Hope laughed: "I'm married to a Catholic, and when you're married to a Catholic, you are one whether you want to be or not!'

U.S. Relief Plan Touches on Issues Noted by Bishops

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tional Conference of Catholic Charities, Msgr. Lawrence J Corcoran, although generally impressed with Nixon's sweeping proposals, questioned the work and training requirements in the proposed family assistance program. In order to gain the program's-benefits, persons will be required to accept jobs or job training.

"To integrate welfare and work is desirable," Msgr. Corcoran said. "If, however, the requirement to work or take work-training is administratively abused, it can become vindictive and oppressive."

The Catholic Charities official took issue with Nixon's declaration that his proposed program will "abolish the present welfare system."

"It abolishes one of the public assistance categories, aid to families with dependent children, and substicludes some Catholic bishops, said tutes family assistance," Msgr. Corcoran said.

College Post

for State Sen. Thomas Laverne and

Her employer from last October uentil two weeks ago was Clinton B. Hutto, a management consultant in

Diaconate. married or single, 30 years of age or older, with the approval of their He met with candidates and advisors to, the program during the bishop, to assume many of the duties of the priesthood. first training workshop for the permanent diaconate this month at St. These will include the administra-John's University Other training tion of solemn baptism, custody and centers in Washington, D.C. and dispensing of the Eucharist, assist-Orchard Lake, Mich., will begin simiing at and blessing marriages in lar programs in early September.

The 10 candidates attending the current training program here are from varied occupational and geographic backgrounds. Many of them have already participated to some extent in pastoral work in their home dioceses.

trend in the entertainment field.

to crawl under the seat after the third

He took a serious stand, without

Collegeville, Minn. - (NC) - The

permanent diaconate program just

getting underway in this country has

an unlimited future, according to

Bishop Ernest L. Unterkoefler of

Charleston, S.C., chairman of the U.S.

Bishops Committee on the Permanent

Bright Future Foreseen

For Permanent Diaconate

hammed-up answers, when asked for

scene.'

They will continue to attend training sessions for a total of five summers, as was their option in selecting from two programs at St. John's.

An alternate program here, to be-

ABM Deployment Assailed By U.S. Bishops' Aide

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States to spend huge new sums on armaments. "But nearly half the senators said otherwise - that it is. responsible to opt for a less militaristic posture in world a affairs," he said.

Msgr. Bordelon said the government must proceed with caution in deploying the ABM system, and add

Council of Churches last May voiced "serious objection" to ABM deployment. It approved a resolution in which it questioned the necessity of ABM for national security, its effectiveness, its impact on the arms race and disarmament hopes, its cost, and "its drain on national resources.'

The National Religious Committee Oposing ABM, whose membership in-

at the worship of the faithful, and conducting pastoral work in urban and rural ghettos and hospitals. The permanent diaconate may be conferred on married and unmarried men of mature age. Although ordained deacons perform many of the

duties of priests, they cannot hear confessions or celebrate Mass. Unmarried deacons once ordained, may not marry, nor may married deacons, if widowed, re-marry.

married when she left,' the super said.

Next Power talked via telephone to a deskman on a Santa Fe newspaper who knew of no bishop who had gotten married nor any who would consider it.

Calls to priests in the two New Mexico dioceses - Santa Fe and Gallup, produced no results.

"I talked to a guy name Hendren in Santa Fe," recalls Power, who is not a Catholic. It was probably Father Lucien Hendren of the Santa Fe chancery.

"I was still getting nowhere but because I knew that Mrs. Wilkinson worked for Sen. Laverne and other Republicans (former U.S. Sen, Kenneth Keating and State Secretary of State John Lomenzo) I decided to call every Republican in town until I got something."

"Still nothing until finally an aide to Laverne remembered talking recently to a relative of Mrs. Wilkinson who said, "Ruth is about to do something terrible." But she wouldn't elaborate.

Power found out her name but ran into another roadblock - an unlisted telephone. So he called a next-door neighbor who got the Wilkinson relative to the phone.

Bishop Shannon of St. Paul, Minn.

At this point, about 7 p.m., Night City Editor Sam Williams had a source in Auburn look at the records to verify the account. It checked.

In the meantime, Power got the Minneapolis Tribune City Desk on the telephone and asked coyly of the girl who answered:

"You know a Bishop Shannon?"

"Of course," she said.

"You know he got married?"

The girl was non-plussed and the Tribune night city editor took over.

"What the hell you talking about?" he thundered.

"Just that Bishop Shannon got married Aug. 3," said Power, "what do you know about it?"

"Oh, my God " came the reply.

The Tribune man then called the St. Paul chancery and he and Power exchanged notes.

Because the D&C copyrights its entire Sunday edition to protect stories in its Upstate magazine, the story ran on the Associated Press wire Saturday night as a copyrighted story from the D&C on the way to national distribution.

Bishop Shannon said that he had b-ecome acquainted with the Rochester woman as a result of correspondemce that grew out of their mutual insterest in how churches could deal with civil rights problems.

On Sept. 23, 1968, the Minnesota Bishop wrote to Pope Paul stating that he could not in conscience "give internal and external consent" to the papal encyclical banning artificial contraception. In November he submaitted his resignation as auxiliary to the Archbishop of St. Paul-Minneapolis.

But news of both actions was not disclosed until June of this year. In the meantime, Bishop Shannon, on leave of absence from his diocese. had been teaching since February at St. John's College here.

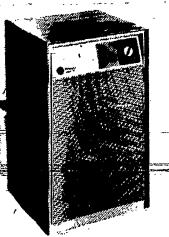
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"We must enter into the Strategic Arms Limitation Talks with Russia in earnest, not with an air of superiority, but with a spirit of openness and conciliation."

The U.S. Catholic bishops were not the only church authorities to express opposition to the ABM system before the crucial Senate vote was taken.

The general board of the National

last April: "We unequivocally oppose construction of the ABM. . . . We call upon church and civic groups to examine thoroubly the moral issues involved in the ABM and then to make known their beliefs." Despite these warnings, ABM

seems assured of being deployed. The upcoming fight over appropriations for the massive project contains some hope for those who oppose it.

Almost...but not quite.

But he pointed out that three other categories of the present welfare system will remain. He listed them as old-ages assistance, and to the blind, and aid to the permanently and totally disabled.

"With the new program," Msgr. Corcoran said, "12 million persons are actually added to the welfare system."

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