

'More the Merrier' Theme Song

They came, they saw and they enjoyed every minute of their stay in the Torrance area. They are Mr and Mrs. William Shallack and their eight adopted and foster children of Chicago, who have traveled the west in a Buick station wagon. Posing for the cameraman prior to leaving Torrance, are from left, Alfred 14, Lottie 18, Mr. Shallack, Leo 10 and Dar-

lene 5, on the left car fender; Teddy and Patrick, both 10, on the right fender, Mrs. Shallack, John 16 and Bobette 15. The Shallacks are filling their "retirement" years by furnishing bright beginnings for this group of orphaned youngsters.

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### Couple 'Debunks' Retirement

# Fills Home with Happy Children

Retirement, or the "Golden Years," on which volumes are being written these days in an effort to brighten the lives of senior citizens, is a period that is definitely for other people. This was a decision reached in 1957 by Mr. and Mrs. William Shallack, of South Chicago, who had set that date for their retirement,

The couple, aunt and uncle of Mrs. J. R. Allison and Mrs. Ronald Metha of Torrance, took a quick glimpse at the past and a broad look at the future and decided what to do. With their own son reared and married, with a family of his own, there was still time to make their own lives worthwhile.

The decision was unveiled last week when they visited Torrance with eight children, three adopted and five foster children. At one time since 1957, there were 11 children in the Shallack household.

It all began when the Shallacks visited St. Joseph's Orphanage in Chicago. There they met Teddy, about three-years-old. They visited Teddy several times and began adoption proceedings. On one visit, Ted asked them if they would like to meet his sister and brother, Lottie and John. "A family should be kept together" and the Shallacks went home with all three.

There's always room for more, and thus the foster-parent program.

Mr. Shallack, a retired baker, began a re-modeling and enlarging project on their home, which is located in a large yard back of several

apartments which they own. A huge rumpus room was built and bedrooms enlarged to meet with the Illinois law that each foster child must

have a bed of his own.

The children attend parochial schools and because of their uprooted lives some are behind in their studies and a helping hand in reading and arithmetic is gladly given by the Shallacks.

In this group of children, ranging in age from 5 to 18 years, there are four of Polish extraction, two Indians and two Lithuanians.

Mrs. Shallack, 65, has no hired help. The older girls assist with caring for the younger children, do some of the ironing and help with other chores. The foster mother does all the cooking and says "meatballs and spaghetti" is the favorite dish. However, the children eat what is prepared and their table manners are impeccable.

The trip to California has been long anticipated. They traveled in a Buick station wagon with Mrs. Shallack doing all the driving since her husband has an eye problem. During their week here, they occupied motels, and were taken on sightseeing trips by relatives.

Impressions: Disneyland, The Most; Hollywod and Vine, A Dream Come True; People, Not Lazy, So Creative; California, So Much To See, So Many Fun Places; Ocean, Unbelieveable; and Farewell Words—We'll Be Back.

Leaving Torrance, the happy wanderers were planning to sightsee in Utah and Nevada enroute to their Chicago home.

#### 'Be An Informed Voter'

## League Membership Drive On

"Put Yourself In the Pic-ture—Be An Informed Voter" is the theme of the Torrance League of Women Voters fall membership

A series of informal coffees has been scheduled to acquaint prospective mem-bers with the non-partisan bers with the non-partisan group's program and voters service plans for the coming year, according to Mrs. W. E. Birdsall, membership chairman. She pointed out that membership is open to all women of voting age and invited interested persons to contact her.

"Government on all levels—that of Torrance, Los Angeles County, the state, and the nation as a whole—is the concern of the League," stated Mrs. William F. Radcliffe, president, in outlining the year's program topics.

Local tax structure was adopted by the membership as their current municipal study item. Included in the subject's scope will be an

evaluation of the effects of land useage on the effects of land useage on the tax struc-ture and a study of pro-posed community services and facilities in relationship to the tax structure

Leagues throughout the County will give attention to rapid transit proposals and problems. Legislative apportionment problems will be considered on both state and national levels. Rounding out the program for the year will be a continuation of the study of legislation and projects aimed at providing equality of opportunity. Leagues throughout the viding equality of opportun-ity in employment and edu-

Serving with Mrs. Rad-cliffe as directors of the League for the coming year will be Mmes. W. F. Barnes, will be Mmes. W. F. Barnes, Norman Greenman, Frederick Henry, George Rothman, F. W. H. van Oppen, J. W. Craig, James E. Pierson, W. L. Geissert, Burt Belzer, Wayne B. Logan, Warren Shallies, Jerrold Turner, Austin Woodward, and Birdsall.



#### Putting Herself in the Picture

Carrying out the theme "Put Yourself in the Picture—Be an Informed Voter," Mrs. Stephen Notari, prospective new member of the League of Women Voters takes the theme literally and does just that. Holding the mirror for her is the League's membership chairman, Mrs. William Birdsall, and holding the palette of paints is Mrs. Lowell O'Brien, league member. All women of voting age are invited to attend the membership coffees slated by the League.

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## Fete Presidents

Presidents of the South Bay Chapters of Beta Sigma Phi will be guests of honor at the first meeting of the year of the Los Angeles City Council of Beta Sigma Phi at 8 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 2. Newly-elected presidents of 21 chapters will be spotlighted at the Ambassa-dor Hotel meeting.

Honored from this area will be chapter presidents, Genevieve Duet, Alpha Kappa; Edith Capalto, Omicron Eta; Mrs. James Haber-field, Xi Alpha Nu; Ruth Phelps, Xi Gamma; Mrs. Donald Crooker, Xi Mu.

The presidents will be accompanied to the meeting by members, Jane Foster, Omicron Eta; Mrs. Michael Martire, Xi Alpha Nu; Mrs. John Yant, James Walsh, Norman Bohn and Edward Poster.

#### For Temple Members and Newcomers

# Annual 'Starlight Night' Set Sept. 1

Temple Menorah will present annual "Starlight Night," a membership cocktail party, on Saturday evening, Sept. 11 at 8:30 p.m. at the Temple, 1101 Camino Real, Redondo Beach.

Welcoming members and inwelcoming members and interested newconers of the community will be Rabbi and Mrs. Jerome Unger; Temple President Dr. Sam Farber and Mrs. Farber; Mrs. Bernard Spanier, Sisterhood president; Mr. and Mrs. George Lewison, membership chairmen. Also in the receiving line will be Mr. and Mrs. Meyer Alpert and Mr. and Mrs. Ben Kaufman.

Decorations for the event are being handled by Mmes. Albert Stock, Kurt Bachenheimer, Paul Glassman and Seymour Bogin.

Mrs. Edward Sokolski is

sending out the invitations and Mrs. Sidney Greene is in charge

of publicity.

Mrs. Jackson Belford and
Mrs. George Lewison are supervising the refreshments. Many Temple members will make their favorite hors d'oeuvres for the

This annual event is open to This annual event is open to those interested in learning of the Temple, its religious school and auxiliary organizations. The boards of the different groups and Rabbi Unger will answer all

Guests will dance under the stars to music furnished by The

Additional information con-cerning the "Starlight Night" may be obtained by calling the Temple Menorah.



An Evening of Hospitality

Members and newcomers to the area are invited to attend the annual "Starlight Night" to be given by Temple Menorah on Saturday evening Sept. 11 at the Temple, 1101 Camino Real, Redondo, A cocktail hour, to begin at 8:30 p m, will be followed by dancing under the stars. Making final plans for the event are, from left, Mrs. George Lewiston being served by Mrs. Sidney Greene as Mrs. Paul Glass-man, board member and Mrs. Albert Stock, commit-tee member, discuss the coming event with George Lewison, chairman of the membership committee. (Press-Herald Photo)