

## MRS. W. WALLACE PETERSON

## Busy Catholic Daughter Occupies State Office

Among the Torrance women holding state offices for their organizations is Mrs. Charles Butterfield, who serves as state chairman of Membership Involvement for the California Catholic Daughters of America. Mrs. Butterfield was appointed for a two year term by the State Regent, Mrs. Arlis Dorn of Fresno.

The state officer, who has been a member of the Court St. Catherine, Catholic Daughters, for ten years, served as area chairman of extension for two years, served as vice regent, trustee and organist, before assuming the title of Grand Regent for two years, 1964-66.

During her term of Regent, she reactivated the Junior Catholic Daughters; instituted the Juniorette Court, started the popular "Tour of the Month," and was hostess for the State Conference held at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles.

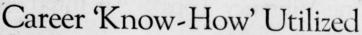
Currently, she is serving as Junior chairman, social service, and ways and means chairman.

In addition to her CDA activities, Mrs. Butterfield is chairman of the March Guild of the Nativity Altar Society, is a past president of the Nativity Mothers Club, and served as school coordinator for the St. Margaret Mary parish in Lomita where she was organist for many years.

A member of the board of the Past Grand Regents Club of Los Angeles, she recently completed a two year term as treasurer for the Junior Catholic Daughters of the Los Angeles Diocese.

**B** e s i d e s church activities, Mrs. Butterfield has assisted with the United Way Drive, Cancer Fund, Blood Bank, Red Cross, and served on the Election Board.

She and her husband, who is a past grand knight of the St. Gerard Council, came to Torrance 23 years ago from Middletown, Ohio. They are the parents of seven children, James of Philadelphia, Pa.; David, Thomas, and Joseph of Torrance; Mrs. Virginia Larmon of Torrance; Mrs. Janet Harrington, Lawndale; and Mrs. Patricia Geouge of Manhattan Beach.



She enjoyed a five year professional career with the Hearst Advertising Service using her advertising major from the University of California, before settling down to rearing a family in Hollywood Riviera. She is Mrs. M. Wallace Peterson, whose husband is employment manager of the California Institute of Technology Jet Propulsion Laboratory. The couple has two daughters, Karen Ann 14, at South High School, and Kathy Joan 12, at Riviera Elementary.

Adept at seeing a need and doing something about it, Mrs. Peterson can take a bow for organizing the first Volunteer Teachers Aid program in the Torrance School district. This group performs clerical and visual aids to assist teachers making their time available for more direct instruction. Mrs. Peterson was instrumental in organizing the first Teachers Aid inaugurated at Riviera School.

Active in PTA, she is a past president of Riviera PTA, is a member of the Women's Society of the Riviera Methodist Church and a new member of the Rainbow Mothers Club, with her recently affiliated Rainbow daughter.

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