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Assemblyman Is Author of Strong Anti-Drug Bill

Charles Edward Chapel, Republican Member of the Assembly from the 46th District (Inglewood, Westchester, Playa del Rey, El Segundo, Manhattan Beach, Hermosa Beach, Redondo Beach, the Hollywood Riviera section of the City of Torrance, Palos Verdes Estates, Rolling Hills, Rolling Hills Estates, Portugese Bend and Santa

Catalina Island) this week introduced his Assembly Bill regarding evidence in narcotics cases, which law enforcement officers regard as even more important than bills relating to increasing penalties for narcotic violations.

Chapel said: "It is obvious that criminals involved in narcotics cases must be caught, brought to trial and convicted before they can be sentenced. I am the co-author and strong supporter of bills introduced at this session of the Legislature to increase penalties, but unless my bill is enacted into law, a high percentage of narcotic violators will continue to go free because they cannot be convicted under the present system of laws and court decisions. I refer particularly to the rules of California evidence created by the Cahan case and the Priestley case both of which make it possible to convict narcotic criminals in many cases. My new bill overthrows the Cahan and Priestley rules and takes the handcuffs off law-enforcement officers."

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Survey Indicates More Than Half Local HS Graduates Go to College

A majority of 1960 graduates of Torrance's three high schools are attending college this year, members of the Torrance Educational Advisory Committee were told at their monthly meeting Monday.

Topic of discussion was "Torrance's High School Graduates." On a panel were high school counsellors, James Blue, North; Dillian Dean, South; and Alice Hammond, Torrance. Also on the program were Lysle Albro, work experience coordinator, and two Torrance graduates, Mrs. Audrey Steven Muenterman and Sherwood Tierman.

Among facts brought out at the meeting were:

- 1. Torrance's three high schools last year had 915 graduates.
- 2. They won more than \$122,000 worth of scholarships.

SURVEY SHOWS

3. A survey of graduates brought replies from 723. Of these, 49.5 per cent attend junior college; 15.9 per cent go to a four-year college; 23.4 per cent work; 7.1 per cent married and are full-time homemakers; 2.8 per cent are in the service; and 1.4 per cent go to trade school. (If replies had been received from all 915, the per cent going to college probably would be about 55 per cent, officials said.)

4. Most of the college students are in 32 California junior colleges or universities, although 20 different states, from New Jersey to Hawaii and Alaska, are represented.

5. An overwhelming majority of those in junior college are in El Camino. With an increasing trend toward junior college attendance, experts estimate that some 85 per cent of freshmen and sophomores will enter junior college before going on to university.

7. Of Torrance graduates, at least 48 currently are tak-

ing college work toward becoming a teacher. About 10 graduates now have returned as teachers.

8. During the past two years, some 1500 students have taken part in work experience program, working part-time while going to school. This gives them practical experience while helping some to earn money. Of those taking part, about half go on to college.

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