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LAST MINUTE REVIEW . . . Instructor Crist Mikkelsen (left to right) and vocalists, Suzanne Slater and Jacqueline Passey, take "one more look" in preparation for the Sat-urday evening choir and orchestra concert to be presented by El Camino College music students at the campus the-ater at 8:30. There will be no admission charge.

## **Special Education Programs May Aid Delinquency** Rate tendent of public instruction.

By VINCENT THOMAS and state rules as to selection of pupils would have to be followed.

By VINCENT THOMAS Assemblyman, 68th District Another blow at juvenile de-linquency would be struck by a bill which would set up special educational programs for "ed-ucationally handicapped mi-nors." The measure has cleared its second huddle in the Assem-bly by receiving a green light bly by receiving a green light from the Ways and Means Committee, and now goes to the floor for action by that house. The bill, co-authored by 28 assemblymen and three sena-tors, is the outgrowth of months of study by the Senate Fact-finding and the Assembly interim Committees on Educa-tion. The problem of young-sters who cannot benefit from regular classroom work be-cause they have serious learn-ing or behavior handicaps, other than physical, were ex-plored in detail with the assist-ance of educators, psycholoance of educators, psycholo-gists juvenile and correctional

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institutions for those unable to function in a school setting. Additional state aid for ex-cess costs to the school dis-tricts or county superintend-ents of operating these new programs would be provided under the measure. In order to qualify for such funds, advance notice of intention to start such filed with the state superin-

these special programs would be limited to two per cent of total district enrollment. Individuals would be selected on the basis of recommendations by a local committee including

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ance of educators, psycholo gists juvenile and correctional authorities. It is recognized that the bill cannot provide a complete answer to juvenile delinquency, but it could do much to reduce this blight on our society. **UNDER THIS** proposed stat tute, elementary and high school districts would be au-thorized to set up special edu-cational programs for minors needing help. The county su-perintendents of schools would be empowered to operate the programs for smaller districts. Four alternatives would be and eavailable: 1) special class-es for pupils unable to func-tion in regular classes; 2) rem-edial teaching by special in-structors for pupils with "learn-ing disabilities;" 3) consults and 4) instruction in home, hos-pital and approved children's Institutions for those unable to problems of individual pupils; and 4) instruction in home, hos-pital and approved children's Institutions for those unable to prostens of individual pupils; and 4) instruction in home, hos-pital and approved children's Institutions for those unable to prostens of individual pupils; and 4) instruction in home, hos-pital and approved children's Institutions for those unable to prostens of individual pupils; and 4) instruction in home, hos-pital and approved children's Institutions for those unable to transtruction for pupils with "learn-institutions for those unable to prostens of individual pupils; and 4) instruction in home, hos-pital and approved children's Institutions for those unable to prostens of individual pupils; and binstruction in home, hos-pital and approved children's Institutions for those unable to the solution of the In addition to the backing of educators and their organiza-

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