Richards Gains Against Kuchel

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Results of the California Poll published today show that Democratic State Sen. Richard Richards has gained ground in his race to capture the United States Senate seat of Republican Thomas H. Kuchel.

The copyrighted private survey, in results printed in the Los Angeles Times and other newspapers, found that if the election were held today, each candidate could expect 43 per cent of the vote. The balance, 14 per cent, is rated "undecided."

This represents a substantial gain for Richards since a poll last April showed Kuchel with 46 per cent and Richards with 34 per cent, and the balance undecided.