

WHAT DO YOU THINK

about lowering the voting age to 18?

By Ron Kurtis

CHUCK KEPLER, 315 Cinderella Road, manager and part owner of auto parts store: "If a man is old enough to fight he is old enough to vote. And the girls are legal age at 18 anyhow, so they should be allowed to vote then too. The majority of the people are responsible at the age of 18, more so than they were years ago."



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J. PAUL OVREBO, 5522 Berkeley Road, optical engineer: "I'm in favor. Compared to the old times, the young people today are much better informed about local and national affairs. They really want the opportunity to vote, and they would rise to the challenge of the responsibility."

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MRS. JUNE VAN LEYNEFEELE, 6269 Stow Canyon Road, housewife: "Maybe the voting age can be lowered to 20 but not to 18. Some of the kids know what they are doing at that age, but I just don't like the trouble that's going on at the campuses. But, one thing, the kids seem to know more than we did when we were that age."



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FRANK PANEL, 692 Andy Lane, research model builder: "I'm against it. I don't think the average child at that age is politically ready - even at 18."

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MRS. JANET URIBE, 6598 Seville Road, apartment manager and housewife: "Too many people under 21 just don't know what they are doing. I think they should wait until they are at least 25. Then they know what they want and they would be stable."



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LESLIE GILLUM, 6292 Avenida, Dos Pueblos High junior: "I really don't think the voting age should be changed. Although a lot of the kids think they are mature enough, they really aren't. Once they go through college they mature a little more."

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RITA BARNCastle, 438 Pitzer Court, housewife: "I'm in favor of lowering the voting age. The kids act older and are more responsible nowadays. They are more aware of what is going on in politics. Also, if the boys have to go to war, they should be allowed to vote."



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LARRY GERSTEIN, 6532 D Sabado Tarde, assistant mathematics professor at UCSB: "I'm in favor because a lot of the frustrations that kids have exist because they feel they can't express themselves in any way. They can be sent to Vietnam, can be sent to lose their lives, but they can't vote. This is irrational."

