

Sen. Hobbs on Voting Age

"Involvement Is The Key"

Special
Feature

Sen. Fred Hobbs, a Republican from Pottsville told the Southeast Regional Convention of the Intercollegiate Conference on Government at Immaculata College, "We should never stop our efforts to better and reform the system, be it the Legislature of Pennsylvania or your College."

"But," he said, "we must do it within the framework."

Sen. Hobbs was featured speaker at a day-long seminar on State Government

Admitting to some grave doubts about the system, the 35-year-old senator from Schuylkill and Carbon counties told the students "It is obvious why you, who are under 35, and many others distrust the Establishment."

Accenting what he calls the "new spirit of total involvement, Hobbs warned, "If you and I don't get involved, then America is left with the belief that today's youth symbolizes extremism."

Calling on his fellow legislators to enact a bill lowering the voting age, "I urge the House not to play politics with the vital legislation in nit-picking between 18 and 19."

"This should not be labeled a Republican or Democratic bill," he said, "It should symbolize government's recognition of the New Spirit."

"Involvement is the

key," he said, "whether in reforming the legislature, the college, or the very fabric of society itself.

"But," he counseled, "let us never confuse reform and freedom with violence. Do not oversimplify the problems so that extremism replaces rationality."

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OBOIST FEATURED IN CONCERT

John Maier, principal Oboist of the Erie Philharmonic, will be featured in the two concerts to be presented, respectively, on Monday, March 17, and on Wednesday, March 19.