

Fletcher Links Justice With Law-And-Order Cry

PULLMAN (AP)—“You cannot break down law and order in the ghettos because it has never been established,” Art Fletcher, Republican candidate for lieutenant governor, said Tuesday.

“Crime and violence are still the name of the game,” he said as he and Slade Gorton, the GOP candidate for attorney general, stopped at Washington State University on a tour of college campuses.

But Fletcher went on to say that “law and order will flow when justice prevails.”

Gorton said disorder across the nation is a sign that things are improving, not worsening.

“We have demonstrations and violence not because we are moving backward but because we are moving forward,” he said.

Both candidates called for student participation in government affairs during appearances on the campuses of Gonzaga and Whitworth colleges Tuesday.

Both emphasized, however, that young people should work within the established political systems.

Fletcher said his primary election victory was due in part to the efforts of the state's youth. He said their involvement in his campaign included driving him 40,000 miles and distributing

650,000 copies of his brochures.

“College age citizens,” he declared, “are not bound by the fears and traditions of their elders. They try to reach out to help those who consider themselves alienated.”

Gorton, a Seattle attorney and state legislator, called for adherence to society's laws.

“Any society must be based on laws administered equally among all citizens,” he said, “and any enforcement agency that adopts a tolerance policy is inviting young people to become cynical.”

Both candidates arrived here as part of a “fly-in” to college and university campuses throughout the state.

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Cherberg Rejects Debate Request

SEATTLE (AP) — Lt. Gov. John Cherberg, seeking re-election, Tuesday declined a recent challenge by his Republican opponent, Art Fletcher, to a debate. He said he could see “no useful purpose” to one.

Cherberg, a Democrat, said he extended to Fletcher “every privilege to conduct his campaign any way he sees fit” and felt he was entitled to the same consideration.

He added that he would talk to newsmen and answer questions from the general public at any time.