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Fletcher fully capable

Possibly no elected position in the State of Washington has been so degraded by low calibre incumbents as the office of Lieutenant Governor. Vic Myers played the role of the buffoon to the hilt while he occupied the office, and the present incumbent, while more conventional, has contributed little more than a smile and a few back-slaps during his tenure in office.

This year the voters have an opportunity to elect an unusually intelligent and creative man as Lieutenant Governor. He is Art Fletcher, a Republican, a city councilman from Pasco, an ex-professional football player, and organizer of the nationally-admired East Pasco Self-Help Cooperative Association. The latter organization has enjoyed much success in revitalizing ghetto life through a do-it-yourself approach based on responsible development of Negro-owned businesses with a minimum of public funds.

Art Fletcher is fully capable of transforming the office of Lieutenant Governor into a vital force in this state. He is a man of tremendous drive and personal charm, and has the respect of both the black and white communities where he has worked.

On the political scene this year there are few men of his calibre. Voters who must select a nominee for Lieutenant Governor in the primary election next week will make a sad mistake if they fail to vote for Art Fletcher.