

Fletcher Is Big Surprise

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By "team," Evans was referring to his former legislative lieutenant Gorton and Fletcher, an unknown local official until Evans took an interest in the ghetto cooperative he initiated in Pasco.

BACKING

The governor gave a tacit primary backing to the former professional football player. Evans' supporters put the push in his campaign.

Polls showed Durkan slipping behind O'Connell in the late summer months, despite a topical slogan "ough On Crime" and the promise he would put a lid on property taxes. His star now may be 1972.

Despite the high stakes and the wealth of candidates' interest in the primary campaigns never really heated, the fault, most likely, of enormous interest in the campaigns of residential aspirants.

WORKERS

The campaigns of Hubert Humphrey, Eugene McCarthy and the late Robert Kennedy drained off workers and funds which otherwise might have gone into the state, Congressional and legislative primary races.

Biggest loser appeared to be DURING, the Rhodes scholar, whose campaign ended after McCarthyites transferred into his camp.

Rep. Brock Adams, the Democratic 7th District incumbent, was unopposed for re-election. Bob Eberle, a former state legislator, easily took the GOP nomination.

CONGRESS

Rep. Floyd Hicks, 6th District Democratic incumbent, won his nomination as did Rep. Julia Butler Hansen in the 3rd District. Rep. Lloyd Meeds, 6th District, and Rep. Tom Pelly, the 1st District Republican incumbent.

Seattle attorney Don Cole appeared to have the edge over John McCluskey, a once candidate personally endorsed by Sen. McCarthy, in their race for the 1st District Democratic nomination.

Meeds ran well ahead of Ed McQuary, a college administrator, in his nomination

battle. Wally Turner held a lead over Mike Odell in the battle for the 2nd District GOP nomination.

CHANCE

Meeds' seat is one GOP strategists think they have a 50-50 chance of capturing in the general election. The GOP establishment has favored Turner, an Everett businessman, over Odell, a John Birch Society member, for their nomination.

Rep. Catherine May, the 4th District Republican incumbent, crushed her primary opponent, Marshall Seawell, a dove on Vietnam who supported McCarthy. Lee Luksen won the Democratic nomination.

Rep. Tom Foley, Democrat, was unopposed for the 5th District nomination. Dick Bond, backed by the Republican regulars, won the GOP nomination over his more conservative opponents, Ed Foreman and Ray Tanksley.

Incumbent Ed Munro won a Democratic nomination for King County commissioner over Dave Mooney. Commissioner John O'Brien was unopposed in the GOP primary for his seat.

James Dore apparently upset Superior Court Judge Robert Elston while Judge F. A. Walterskirchen easily defeated Irving Paul for reelection.

JUDGESHIP

A third Superior Court Judgeship appeared headed for a run off in November between Warren Chan and Horton Smith.

State School Superintendent Louis Bruno easily defeated two opponents. Gerald Sullivan, a former deputy, clinched the GOP nomination for state Insurance Commissioner.

State Sen. Karl Herrmann held a slight lead over Jack Meyers for the Democratic nomination.



ATTORNEY GENERAL JOHN O'CONNELL WAVES TO EAGER SUPPORTERS AT HIS PACKED CAMPAIGN. Candidate is 'overjoyed' after learning he is leading State Sen. Martin Durkan for the Democratic nomination.



JOHN McCLUSKEY (D)
Seeking congressional nomination



ART FLETCHER (R)
Locked in battle



JOHN McCUTCHEON (D)
Vying for nomination



FRED DORE (D)
In attorney general race

Young Workers Cheer Evans, Fletcher

Jubilant collegians — and a few a bit younger — whooped it up last night for Gov. Dan Evans and the winning Republican primary ticket at the Action for Washington headquarters, Eighth Avenue and Virginia Street.

Cheers for Art Fletcher of Pasco, an unknown a few weeks ago but the GOP pick to oppose Lt. Gov. John Cherberg in November, almost matched those for the chief executive.

Evans, of course, won re-

nomination handily and will face Attorney General John J. O'Connell in the general election.

The youngsters, led by Don McKinnon, a University of Washington activist, gave thunderous ovations to Fletcher, Evans and State Rep. Slade Gorton, who easily won the Republican nomination to replace O'Connell.

Gov. Evans, with first lady Nancy standing by his side, thanked the youthful

Action for Washington workers.

"I can't tell you how nice this moment is," he said.

"It's nice to have a victory — even if it's only in the semi-finals."

"This shows how this kind of team work can pay off. It did pay off and we can win with this team in November. We will win this year."

McKinnon said the young voters had scoured the state for Republican votes, especially for Fletcher, a black

Pasco city councilman who advocates a "self-help, cooperative" plan to induce non-whites to participate in community affairs.

The Action for Washington group broke into wild applause when headquarters received one state-wide election report showing Fletcher slightly ahead of Lt. Gov. Cherberg in total votes.

Gov. Evans, Fletcher and Gorton appeared briefly on a podium inside the head-

quarters. Evans, commenting on the crowd to Gorton, said:

"This is a big crowd, almost bigger than the number of votes cast for you," Gorton grinned.

Gorton, House majority floor leader, and five Democrats had to share the modest voter turnout in their quest for attorney general.

The group were later joined by Gerald Sullivan, Republican leader in the race for State Insurance Commissioner.