

Atiyeh's time comes for governor's post

Evidently, it is time for Atiyeh in Oregon.

State Sen. Victor Atiyeh pulled another upset Tuesday, beating out incumbent Democrat Gov. Bob Straub 56 percent to 44 percent or 368,440 votes to 293,201 votes.

The victory is Atiyeh's second this year, after he won a surprise victory over former Oregon Gov. Tom McCall to win the Republican primary last spring.

In Lane County, however, Straub garnered more votes than Atiyeh with 57 percent favoring Straub and 43 percent voting for Atiyeh. Straub launched his political career in Lane County 24 years ago by winning a county commissioner's seat.

Had Straub won, he would have been the first Democratic governor to serve more than one term in Oregon's history.

Atiyeh, a 55-year-old carpet dealer who served as state Senate minority leader last session, rolled up early leads in the heavily Democratic Multnomah and Coos

Counties. NBC called the governor's race at 8:30 p.m., projecting an Atiyeh win.

The Atiyeh-Straub contest centered around the taxpayers' relief measures with Atiyeh pulling for a "cleaned-up" version of Measure 6, which would have frozen property taxes at 1.5 percent of their 1975 assessed values. Straub pushed Measure 11, the Legislature's answer to Measure 6 which would cut property taxes by 50 percent. Both measures were defeated.

As governor, Atiyeh must now deal with forming legislation to aid the "taxpayers' revolt."

Atiyeh, who ran unsuccessfully against Straub in 1974, has said a "wave of conservatism" is sweeping Oregon. Atiyeh favors return of the death penalty to Oregon and opposes state funding for abortions. Although he favors alternative forms of energy, he still supports nuclear power.

Atiyeh also favors creation of a legislative advisory board of students to provide input on student and higher education issues.



Oregon Governor-elect Vic Atiyeh

Both property tax measures go down

By RICHARD SEVEN
Of the Emerald

Both property tax relief measures, 6 and 11, were rejected by Oregon voters in Tuesday's election. Measure 6 was defeated

331,711 no votes to 309,299 yes votes while Measure 11 lost by a margin of 320,232 no votes to 260,040 yes.

Lane County voters, however, passed 11 54,228 yes to 33,969 no. Measure 6 was defeated in the county also, 57,161 no to 30,814 yes.

The defeat of the two measures means Oregon's current property tax system will remain intact, subject to revision by the Legislature or future initiatives.

Measure 6, the initial measure on the ballot, was closely modeled after California's Proposition 13. If passed the measure would have reduced property taxes in the state to 1.5 percent of the 1975 assessed value of the property. It would have reduced property taxes by an estimated 40 percent.

Measure 6 also would have allowed for a 2 percent increase in property taxes for inflationary adjustment. However, if a property changed ownership or had new construction performed on it, its property tax rate would increase to the current market value.

Measure 11, the Legislative alternative to 6, required the state to pay half an individual's property tax, up to a maximum of \$1,500.

Despite the defeat of the two measures, U.S. Rep. Jim Weaver said state officials have gotten the message.

"The people have told us they want us to get in there and cut property taxes and government spending," Weaver said shortly after his re-election Tuesday. "That's the first thing the Legislature will do."

Property taxes make up 25 percent of the funding for state and local programs in the state. Measure 6 would have cost local governments an estimated \$860 million while Measure 11 would have cost the state about \$525 million. The localities around the state wouldn't have lost any funds directly from the passage of Measure 6.



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MEETINGS

Phi Beta Lambda, a national business students organization, meets today in Room 242 Gilbert at 5 p.m. Oregon yearbook pictures will be taken of the group. Members please be sure to attend.

The Native American Student Union will hold a meeting tonight at the Longhouse, 1606 Columbia St., at 7 p.m. The film "Indian Rights, Indian Law", a 60-minute color film concerning contemporary Indian issues will be shown.

The film is now in the NASU office. Selection or appointment of NASU members to assist with the organization of the Potluck will be held preceding the film. Continuation of program development for the remainder of the year will also be discussed.

The Citizen's Advisory Committee of the Lane Regional Air Pollution Society will hold a meeting tonight at 7:30 in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Federal Building. Agendas will be passed out at the beginning of the meeting.

FORUMS

A session of People's Law School this evening will discuss the "Perils and Promises of a Consumer." Class is from 7-9 p.m. at Lincoln Community School cafeteria, 12th and Jefferson. The class, taught by law students, is free and open to the public and no registration is required.

Gay Rap is an open, informal discussion group that meets weekly to offer support to lesbians, gays, and bisexual women and men. Tonight's topic of discussion will be "Work and the Outside World." Gay Rap meets off campus and rides are available for those without transportation. For location and more information call Gay People's Alliance at 686-3360, or 343-8130.

The Department of Geology will sponsor a lunch-bagger seminar today at 12:30 p.m. in 307 Volcanology. Guest speaker will be R.G. Coleman, who will be talking on "The Omani Ophiolite". Admission is free, and everyone is welcome.

MISCELLANEOUS

Lt. John Schl, U.S. Navy will give a lecture-slide presentation on nuclear propulsion in Room 110 Fenton tonight at 8. The talk will be informative, not a recruitment exercise. It will be geared toward science students. The talk is free and everyone is welcome.

Most of the diplomas for summer term graduates may be picked up in the Office of the Registrar, second floor Oregon Hall, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. (Degrees for those graduating with honors or from the honors college are delayed.) Diplomas not picked up by November 14 will be mailed to the address requested by the student.

Faculty, staff and students are invited to a special Mid-Week Prayer Service in Wesley Chapel at noon today. Daily mass with Newman Fathers follows at 12:30.

POLICY

The Emerald's briefs column is open to anyone wishing to announce meetings, lectures or miscellaneous events. Briefs run only once and are subject to space limitations. They should be typed and triple-spaced in a 65-character margin. Include all pertinent information, including the date you want it to run. Also, include a name and phone number in case we have questions. Events with donations or admission charges will not be accepted.

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