

Voters will decide on offices Nov. 2

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Oregonians will have the opportunity Nov. 2 to elect to office a number of the bevy of government officials who have assured them that they have the answers to Oregon's various problems — especially the state's depressed economy.

• Ross Anthony, University economics assistant professor, is challenging incumbent Democrat Jim Weaver for the 4th Congressional District's seat.

Weaver stresses his ability to act on his convictions, as shown by his opposition to the Northwest Power Bill.

He suggests cuts in oil and nuclear subsidies rather than in education.

Anthony has served on a number of health related committees and councils, including the Western Oregon Health Systems Agency, and his academic preparation at the University of Pennsylvania included health economics.

His training as an economist can help correct the economy and get people back to work, he claims.

• Republican Gov. Vic Atiyeh hopes to be elected to a second term over Sen. Ted Kulongoski, who was the victor in a field of seven Democratic primary candidates.

Although Oregon is a Democratic state in terms of numbers of registered voters, it has a Republican governor in Atiyeh.

Atiyeh served in the Oregon legislature for 20 years before



Vic Atiyeh



Ted Kulongoski

Gov. Vic Atiyeh and Ted Kulongoski square off in the governor's race

his election to governor in 1978.

He offers his formation of the Employment Recovery Council and Department of Economic Development as evidence of his commitment to jobs.

Kulongoski, an attorney, was elected to terms in the state House of Representatives (1974, 1976) and Senate (1978, 1980).

Small businesses are the key to Oregon's economic recovery, he contends.

For example, Kulongoski

proposes a Small Business Institute in the higher education system which would aid small businesses and Oregon firms.

Two more debates between the two gubernatorial candidates are planned — today in Eugene and Oct. 4 in Medford.

• Current State Labor Commissioner Mary Roberts is challenged by Republican Mike Wooton.

The office takes on new meaning as the state's unemployment hits new lows. It in-

volves regulating employment practices, wages, working conditions and apprenticeship programs.

Wooton, 46, is the business representative and financial secretary for a Roseburg carpenter's local. He has been appointed to the State Advisory Council for Career and Vocational Education, and is on the Douglas County Planning Commission.

Roberts has held the office of commissioner since 1979, and

served in the state House and Senate.

• A newspaper publisher and warehouseman are vying for the newly-formed 14th District state Senate seat.

Republican Joe Davis hopes to bring his experience of covering and reporting on various governing bodies and serving on the Silverton School Board to the Senate.

Steve Starkovich, a Democrat, has served on various community and Democratic Party committees. He works with United Grocers, Inc., and was a research assistant at the University of Washington.

Both think they are equipped to serve the "small-town, rural-oriented District 14."

A couple of surprises have marked the 20th District race for state senator.

Initially, incumbent George Wingard, R-Eugene, planned minimal campaigning against journalist Gerry Mackie.

Then Wingard appeared to be unopposed as Mackie dropped out. However, Rep. Margie Hendricksen gave up her reelection bid to the House to oppose Wingard for the Senate seat in what promises to be an interesting race.

Wingard's ability to maintain some party independence, as shown by his 80 percent voting record rating from the Lane County Democratic party, will be weighed against Hendricksen's tax plan, which she promises will bring economic recovery for Oregon.

Wingard has operated a small

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