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# Too Close to Call



'President Obama is awesome.'  
 -- Edwina Gonzalez



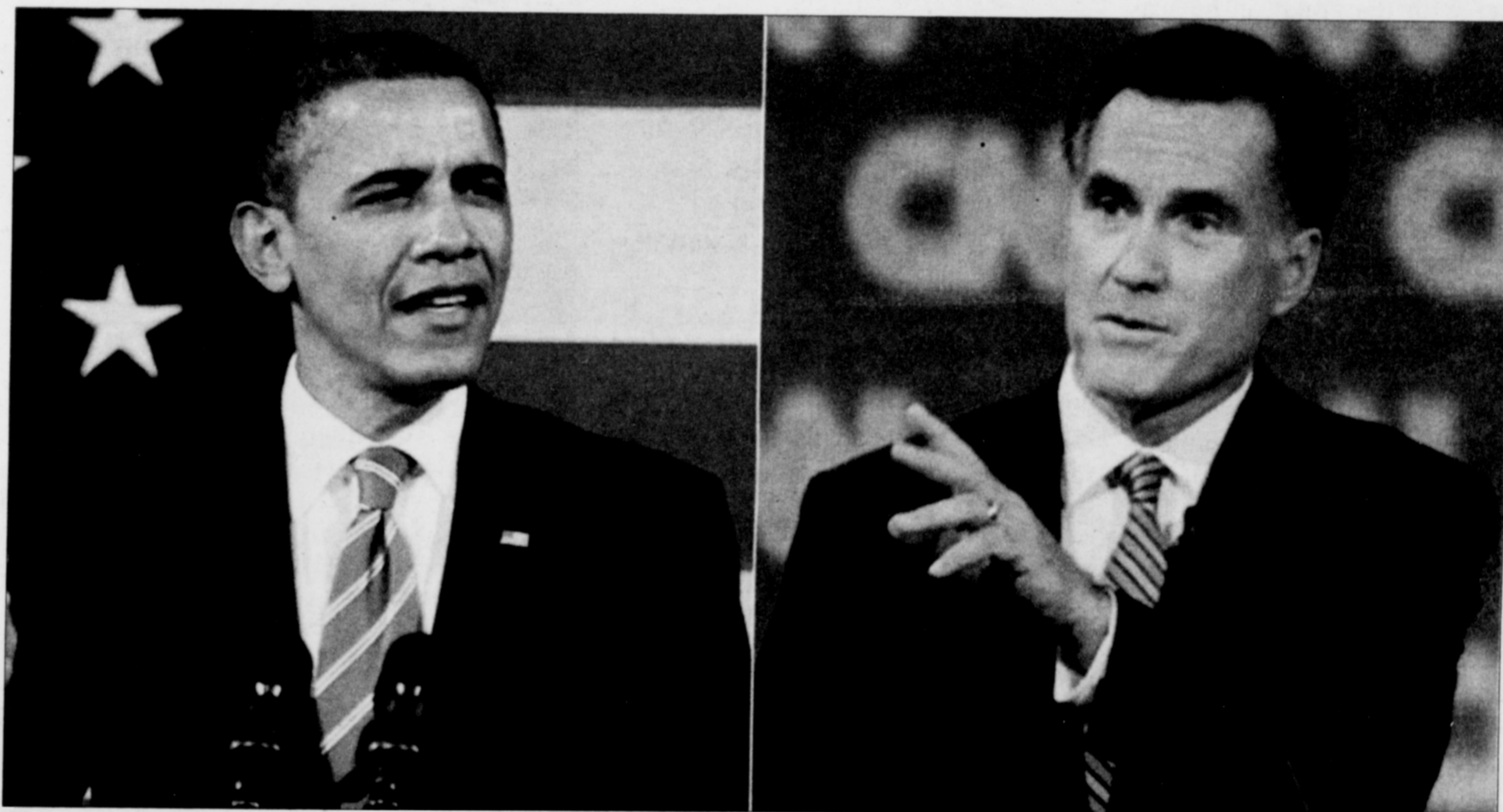
'Supporting Romney for his economic skills.'  
 -- Eric Marshall



'Obama has balanced view of country's needs.'  
 -- Charlyn Scott



'Voting for Obama,'  
 -- Carol Freda



President Barack Obama (left) and former Gov. Mitt Romney are neck and neck in the battle for the White House. Registered voters have until Tuesday, Nov. 6, to cast their ballots in an election that remains too close to call.

## Obama and Romney fight for every vote

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There are just six days left to vote for the next President of the United States. After months of campaigning and debate, by the end of the day Tuesday, Nov. 6, the 2012 presidential election will be over and Americans will have made their choice.

Will Democrat Barack Obama, the first black president, return to the oval office for another four years or will Mitt Romney and the Republican Party move in?

According to polls across the nation, the vote remains neck and neck. The latest ABC/Washington Post national tracking poll had the race at a dead heat, with Romney at 49 percent and Obama at 48 percent.

In Oregon, a survey of 405 likely voters conducted Oct. 25-28 by independent polling firm Elway Research of Seattle, shows Obama leading 47

*He finally got a health bill passed, he's intent on championing the middle class, he got the troops out of Iraq and he killed Osama Bin Laden. He's going to continue to work on the economy. I think he has a balanced view of all the needs of the country and he doesn't weigh too heavily to one area.*

— Charlyn Scott

percent over Romney 41 percent, with 8 percent still undecided, the Oregonian reports.

While Obama has big leads in polling for a majority of West and East coast states, Romney reins much of the country's Midwest and South, and 16 states have yet to sway red for Republican or blue for Democrat. It takes 270 electoral votes to win the presidency. National polls show

Obama with 181 electoral votes in the safe column and Romney with 149.

As local residents ink in tiny bubbles on their ballot, the Portland Observer wanted to hear their final thoughts.

We asked two questions: In the last four years, did President Barack Obama do a good job, and who is the best candidate for presidency, Mitt

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