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# CLOSING ARGUMENTS

## Americans stare across divide, nostalgic for certainty



### U.S. PRESIDENT

#### CLINTON VS. TRUMP

BY ADAM GELLER • Associated Press

**WASHINGTON** • As Americans weather the final days of a campaign cycle filled with insults and anger, the nation indeed finds itself at a troubling crossroads.

Americans are split over immigration, the changes wrought by globalization, the treatment of minorities and the threat of terrorism. But partisanship, long rising, has veered beyond policy disagreement. Now, roughly half of Democrats and Republicans tell pollsters they fear those in the other party.

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## Nation's eyes turn to Missouri in toss-up contest



### U.S. SENATE

#### KANDER VS. BLUNT

BY CHUCK RAASCH AND CELESTE BOTT • St. Louis Post-Dispatch

Missouri on Tuesday will be among a handful of pivotal states whose voters will determine control of the United States Senate and greatly influence the direction of the federal government beginning in January.

With Republicans' 59-seat House majority projected to shrink, control of the Senate will help decide how much of the next president's policies and plans become reality.

From Supreme Court justices to trade deals to differences on

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## Deciding if political experience is a plus or minus



### GOVERNOR

#### KOSTER VS. GREITENS

BY KEVIN McDERMOTT AND KURT ERICKSON • St. Louis Post-Dispatch

In a political era defined by intractable partisanship, Missouri's gubernatorial matchup carries some irony: Democratic Attorney General Chris Koster, who is a former Republican, faces Republican and former Navy SEAL Eric Greitens, who is an ex-Democrat.

That twist notwithstanding, Missouri voters going to the polls Tuesday should have no trouble distinguishing between the two candidates, whose policy prescriptions hew closely to their opposing party platforms — and whose political personas should look

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Tuesday is Election Day. Polls are open in Missouri and Illinois from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. Voters can cast their ballots for president and a U.S. Senate seat in both states. Missouri voters also decide governor and four other statewide elected positions as well as six ballot questions.

For election news, visit [STLtoday.com](http://STLtoday.com). For a customized sample ballot and information on Missouri candidates and questions, visit [STLtoday.com/votersguide](http://STLtoday.com/votersguide).

### Aging in place

Experts say that changes in thinking, living are best hope for staying at home

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## Cheer and charity

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Olin taps into metal's power to kill germs • E1



### HO-HUM FALL

Mild weather makes for dull foliage this year • B1



### HE SAID, SHE SAID

McClellan tackles thorny issue of rape culture • B1

### FALL BACK

Daylight saving time has ended. You should have set your clocks back an hour Saturday night.



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