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Sir.—The verdict of the electorate must be rather embarrassing to those who had come to an electoral understanding with the Congress(R) in the hope of political gain. The poor performance of the Four-Party Alliance will be responsible for a weak Opposition; the proper functioning of parliamentary democracy will be almost impossible. The Congress(O) has been placed in such a position that the party will probably seek a compromise with the Congress(R). However, as a protagonist of the "Save democracy" campaign, the Congress(O) President, Mr S. Nijalingappa, should accept the defeat gracefully, as Mr M. R. Masani, the Swatantra Party leader, has done.—Yours, etc.,  
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