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COMMENT

Rajasthan poll

THE Congress victory in the Lok Sabha by-election in Dausa and the Assembly by-election in Chomu should help the party to recover its self-confidence. Both the seats were earlier held by the Swatantra party, but it is primarily the princely house of Jaipur that has suffered a defeat. The Swatantra candidate for the parliamentary seat was Maharajkumar Prithvi Singh, a son of Maharaja Man Singh of Jaipur. One of the chief election campaigners on behalf of the Swatantra was the Rajmata of Gwalior who was trying to persuade the House of Udaipur to forget its old grievances against Jaipur and join the other feudal chiefs in a solid anti-Congress alliance. The election result should upset her plans greatly. In Chomu, the Swatantra and the princes backed Mr Tikaraj Paliwal, a former Chief Minister and an old Congressman, who contested as an independent. The calculation behind his candidature apparently was that if elected to the Assembly Mr Paliwal would be able to persuade many Congress MLAs to defect and thus pull down the Sukhadia Ministry. The Chief Minister saw the threat and mobilised his entire team for the electoral battle. The threat to his own position having receded, Mr Sukhadia, it is hoped, will not again relapse into complacency. He won the by-elections by appealing to the traditional anti-feudal sentiment of the Rajasthan peasantry. The vote in favour of the Congress is also a mandate to the party and to Mr Sukhadia, personally, to translate their anti-feudal declarations into concrete administrative and legislative measures.

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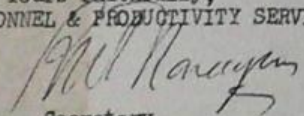
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