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TRIVANDRUM，December． 29
With the postponement of the Kerala Pradesh Congress Committee meeting fixed for December 30 and of the election of the Pradesh Congress President，the crisis in Kerala Congress which has been simmering for long has burst out into the open with fisticuffs，brealing of locks and public statements．

PHE Returning Offler of postponing the meeting called to elect the President said this had been necessitated by the disputes which had arisen regarding some of the elec－ tions to the lower Congres Committees in the state $A$ decision on the dispute refer red to the AICC，he added pould have a vital bearing on the meeting of the newly－elec ed Pradesh Congress Com mittee．

Not even a month has passed since Congress Oppo－ announced with great fan－ fare in Trivandrum the for－ mation of a united front of the Congress and Praja So－ clalists，with the Muslim Leajue expected to join in， to fight and defeat the Communists in the coming elections to the Panchayats and Municipalities．It was hailed as the beginning of the end of the Communists in office in Kerala．Bat the Congress leaders who talk so much about uniting agree amang themselves．

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It is In Kottayam District， considered to be a Congress fort，that this factional struggle came out in the most the Presidentship of the Dis－ trict Congress Committee took place last week．
There were two candidates th the field－Sri P．C．Cheri－ yan MLA，till recently Secre－ tary of the District Congress Committee，and the second，a nominee of Opposition leader P．T．Chacko．

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The Chacko group had pre－ pared well to ensure the vic－ tory of its nominee．In view of this，Sri Cheriyan and his group demanded pgstpone－ ment of the election．When the District Returning Officer turned down this demand，the Cheriyan group walked out of the meeting．The Ohacko group nominee was thus elected．

Sri Cherigan had with great care locked the office of the District，Congress Committee before he walked oat The newly－elected Pre sident of the Chacko group brose open the loce and took possession of the office． When the rival group heard about it，they came back in force．a free fight between the two groups ensued．
Former President $\mathbf{K}$ ．T． Thomas and Secretary Cherl－ yan of the Kottayam DCC both Congress．MLAs，have jointly issued a statement saying that the election of the new President was illegal since the Pradesh Returning Officer had given a definite directive to postpone the elections．

Neither the Pradesh Return－ ng Officer nor the Pradesh Congress Committee has ac－ epted the election．In fact they condemned the forcible and unauthorised occupation of the Congress Committee fffice by some people．The re－ sult is that today two District Congress Committees are functioning in Kottayam．This the backgroum againt which the PCC President election was to take place．

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What has burst Into the open is just the old rivaliles inside the Kerala Congress leadership between factional groups based on commuities and based on comer and regions－between hindu and leaders from Malabar and Pravancore and between Pan ampilly Govinda Menon and P．T．Chacko．All of them，of course，try to give a politica colour to this internecine quarrel．



AT TRE CIVIC RECEPTION IN DELHI＇S RED FORT－The Ghana Prime Minister，Dr． Kwame Norumah receiving a silver vase from Mayor Aruna Asal Ail，as Prime Min－ ster Nehru looks，on．The reception was accorded to the visiting Premier on Decem－ ber 27 last．

Sri Chacko in a talk to newspaper Correspondents last week said that a section of the Congress leadershitp was opposing the united front of＂udemocratic par－ ties，＂while a majority of the Congress leaders and work－ ers welcomed it．The leaders of this section he said，are afraid that they win lose their high positions in the Congress，if a democratic united front is formed．They had tried to mislead the Congress High command regarding the united front； but the all－India Congress leaders had also realised the need for united front，Sri Chacko added．Te said it was meaningless to beep the Muslim League away from a united front dabbing it a communal organisation．
According to Bri Chacko，the present President of the KPCC，Sri K．A．Damodara Menon，is a person sincerely trying to build the united front in Kerala；if he is not elected President again，that will be calamitous－for Sri Chacko and the Congress．If the trend is against Sri Damo－ dara Menon，SII Chacko threatened，he himself would stand as a candidate for Pra－ desh－Congress Committee Presidentship．The only dif－ ficulty in the situation is that according to the Congress Constitution，Sri Damodara Menon cannot be elected Pre－ sldent for a third term．
Sri Chacko is convinced， though belatedly，that the present Kerala Government cannot be overthrown so easi－ ly，and hence he has．begun to feel that control over the Congress organtsation is today more－important than Assem－ bly Party leadership．He is re－ portediy ready to hand over the leadership of the Assembly Party to Sri Ummer Koya，at present Deputy Leader who hails from Malabar．The pro－ posal has more to it than meets the eye．And that is Sr Chacko＇s condition ：the Mala bar leaders should support his candidature for PCC Presd－ dentship：
The Panampilly Gorinda Menon group＇s nominee for presidentship is Sri K．P．Ma－ dhavan Nair，till recently one of the General Secretaries of the Al－India：Congress Com－ mittee．He has the support of the Cherijan group from Kot tayam．One of the reasons
why Sri Chacko was so deter－ mined to defeat Sri Cheriyan for Kottayem DCC President－ ship＇was because he stood for bringing the Panampilly group back to power in the Kerala Congress．
Another aspirant is $\mathbf{R}$ ．San－ kar President of the Ephava communal organisation，SNDP， hero of many defeats in elec－ tions and a notorious anti－ Communitst．His clalm is that the KPCC must this time have as President an Eahava who can win back the Ezhava masses from Comminist influ－ ence．

Sri Chacko has welghty claims of past service and present achievements for being chosen as President on the KPCC－at least this is what his followers think and say．He has stood frm in．he Congress from the very be－ ginning and was always sacrificed for the sake of some careerist Congress lea－ to the has incurred delin as the extent of Rs． 2, ， activities Bot for the man－ oeavres of the Panampily－

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Madhavan Nair clique，$S$ Chacko wonld have been in a very high position by now． it is the tactics evolved by him that have so far suc－ ceded in building the unit－ ad front of all Opposition parties in Kerala against the Coimmunist Government And since the Kottayam DCC Presidentship has assum－ ed vital importance，Sri Cha－ cko＇s followers say that if this election is invalidated it would ibe better for Chacko to resigh from the Congress and set up practice as a lawyer so that he，can at least pay back his debts．This resignation threat＇ ＇s their trump card．
This＇s three glants have en－ tered the fray in full array－ not to speak of the lesser ones －in the battle for KPCC Presidentship．SrI Damodara Menon is trying to sneak in despite the insistence of the Congress High Command that the Congress Constitution should be observed．Once all，the hope that the congress the unity to strengthen the Congress organisation in Ke － Congress organisation has been smashed．The rala has been smashed．The common people in Kerala are these developments；they are these developments；they are nothing new．

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In Rourkela and Durgapur, which have beetr cons tructed with assistance from Germany and the United Kingdom, every bit of equipment down to the last nail is bought from these countries, and assembled here under the direct supervision of their own technicians. This certainly has its advantages. The technicians are familiar with their equipment and can with comparative ease set up the works.
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(From YOJNA, Weekly published by the Publications Division of the Ministry of Iivformation and Broadcasting)Works will start producing steel. There will be in all three blast furnaces at the onemillion steel works. The conswruction of the blast furnace whll mark the completion of he first phase of the entire project. By now the main secnclude teel structampleted nclude steel strucyure shop, pair shops oxygen shops, repair shops, oxyen shops, reblast furnace railway shops, garages and col The huge $24000 \mathrm{~K} \mathbf{W}$ power generation station is nearing completion.

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The colossal project involves the erection of one lakh ton of iron structure, fifty lakh cubic meters of earth-work and more than five lakh cubic metres of concrete work.
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The agreement which is applicable to the three districts of Cannanore, Kozhikode and Palghat provides for revising, upgrading and fixing the pay scales of the operating staff and those in the workshops.
Drivers, checking inspectors, fitters, electricians, blacksmiths, welders, painters, turners, vulcanisers, carpenters and sinkers will tart on a wage of Rs. 45 in the grade of Rs. 45-3-4-80; mechanics and chiel fitters: Rs. 50-4-70-5-100; conductors: Rs. 35-2-45-3-65; cleaners and other unskille workers: Rs. 25-14-40.

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The employees will get seven festival holidays, seven days' sick leave on tificate and one dax with wage for every 20 davs of attendance, excluding the weekly off.
All employees who have put in comtinuous service of one year will be treated as permanent except those engaged in work of a casual nature.
Thus, when the agreement came into force on January 1, 1959, the ten thousand motor transport employees in the three dis. tricts began enjoying higher. wage-scales, reduced hours of work, gharanteed bonus and security of service.
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