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IPREME COURT POLITICS

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of political significance to the dratic doings in Raleigh on Saturday,
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a are not treated lightly by the party
power, And when the position is so
inent as a chair on the State Supreme
irt, a governor's selection usually gets
party's stamp of approval.
lence, when the State Democratic execre committee refused—to nominate
rernor Scott's appointee, Murray O.
nes of Wilmington, and powered
ough the nomination of Judge Jeff D.
maon of Clinton, it would only be inpreded as-rebellion against W. Kerr
at, If Mr. James were personal of the committee was resentful because
verior Scott had not consulted any of
party leaders, and had passed over
veral deservaire claimants in tapping Mr.
nes, a virtual unknown.
Yhat this rebellion augure for the future,
i more particularly for the upcoming it session of the General Assembly, is
i yet clear. Certainly the governor lost
ne political pressige on Saturday just as
did last Summer when his appointee
the U. S. Senate, Dr. Frank P. Graham,
i rejected by the people. The governor's
hence with the Legislature will decrease
ordingly.

of the past few days. The system of electng supreme court judges has many wennesses, not the least of which is the improbability that a man of little political appeal but of monumental judicial ability—a man like William H. Bobbitt of Charlotte, for example—will ever reach the high

court.

It can be argued, of course, that the appointment of Supreme Court justices for life by a chief executive—the system in vogue in the Federal judiciar—is also subject to political influence. And there is a wealth of evidence that Presidents Roses-veit and Truman have looked first at their beach appointees' political affiliations before considering their qualifications. Of the two, however, the latter appears less imperfect, especially when confirmation by a body of elected representatives is required. And in either system it is the rule more often than not that the man grows to the job. That, we take it, is the saving grace of our judicial system, state and Federal.

TTIFOGGERY FROM PRAGUE

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may seriously undermine our policy in that area.

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new Communist proposal for a united nany will-produce any positive action. Western nations will not unite Ger-yon Russian terms, and Russia will r consent to Western terms. wever, the peoples of the West, while ig clearly the motives behind the it Russian manuver, must also cretand that the Frague conference, terminded by V. M. Molotov, has de-d a program for Germany that, at, will create truther doubt and com-on in Western Europe and, at worst,

NRY STIMSON—A GREAT AMERICAN

ENRY LEWIS STIMSON was not a phrase-maker. In all his years of the service, he authored only one line med worthy of inclusion in the new 1-page edition of Bertlett's Quotations. Iting in Harper's Magazine in 1946, Mr. naton said:

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y a rather strange coincidence, that uinge apily sums up Mr. Stimson as a
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Last March, Mr. Stimeon, who was a life-long Republican, put partisanality behind him as he had done on so many other occasions and, in a brilliantly reasoned letter to the New York Times, dissected Senator McCarthy's campaign against the State Department. On that occasion, The Times sale.

From The Elizabethtown (Ky.) News

REPORTING

A MINISTER told this newspaper a few days ago of the instance of a news-paper including in an oblituary a statement that the deceased "did not belong to any church." That might be described as gra-

and unjustified.

Occasionally a newspher must say unkind things, because they are part of the
essential record, but if does not have to
look them up. For example, if a man is
fired from a job, ordinarily it is not news.

But if he was discharged and afterwards
had an altercation with his former employer, and it reached the courts, then the
fact of his discharge would not only be a
legitimate, but necessary, part of the story.

It is hard the second of the story.

It is hard to do exact justice to every-pools, and in all circumstances. Newspaper didtors are human and prone to error, but most of them would rather say something rood than bad, although good deeds' sel-lom make the headlines.

The Stalin Family



People's Platform

'People Just Don't Think'

Safety For Children

Dangerous Ditch

Acheson Called Mysterious Chinese Bluff On N. Korea

By STEWART ALSOP

Oh, Sweet Luxury Of Life, How Ruark Doth Love Thee!

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The Fate Of Syngman Rhee

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