The (1) resone eas ${ }^{3}$ tatesma

- Favor Sways Us; No Fear Shall Awe'
vrom Firut statemana, Mareat 23, 1851 Charles a. Spragub - Editor and Publishe THE STATEMAN PUBLISHINGCO.
 $\mathrm{T}^{\mathrm{H}}$
Robinson for Justice its own Joe Robinson for justice of the suprememe court
fill Van Devanter's place. Roosevelts embarrassment
due to the fact that due to the fact that Sen. Roobinson wants ste job and has cas
ried out the president's commands even at the cost of bruis
ing his own conscience The president ing his own conscience. The president is also represented a
having intimated in times past that Joe would get the firs
call for the office. Against his being named is his age, 65 , an the fact that he is at heart a true democrat, unfriendly to ne
dealism, who would probably revert to type after he was o
the bench. His name is drawing fire from the left fringe wh the bench. His name is drawing fire from the left fringe who
want a genuine radical named for the vacancy. To name Robinson would be a distinct departure in the
selection of a jurist. Rarely or never have juges been select
ed from the senate. Choie is made either from members of
the judiciary or distinguished the judiciary or distinguished lawyers. Robinson falls in
neither class
It used to be the custom of presidents to select a man distinguished for his legal learning and his breadth of judgment
rather than a man of pronounced bias on political questions.
Republican and democratic presidents made effort to keep a Republican and democratic presidents made effort to keep a
reasonable balance in the membership of the court, as be-
tween parties, in order to preserve its judicial integrity. Now tween parties, in order
the idea seems to be to load it with members whose eyes slant
down one particular slot, at a decidedly leftish angle. The
consequence of this is that when public sentiment goes in reverse these judges will be so slant eyed they will be criticised.
It is impossible to divorce a man from his intellectual imped-
imenta of principles. But surely it it int impossible to select
men of high character and fine intelligence and judicial poise. It is difficult to see where Robinson would bring any spe-
cial contribution to the court. He is a long-time politician, un-
distinguished as a a lawyer, and not rated high for intellec-
tual attainments. The senate likes to favor a fellow member distinguished as
tual attainments.
of the club and (
but that isn't a s
recommendation.

| Costly Slum Elimination <br> CORRESPONDENCE from Cleveland to the Christian Century contains the following paragraph: <br> Iand's three fine new slum elimination honsing pals in Clevenearing completion, will be too high to attract former residents of these downtown areas. While rates have not been finally anthe former slum dwellers, now crowded in nearby congested districts, disclaim abllity to pay any such amounts. Their present rentals are nearer $\$ 4$ per room. The new bulldings are attract- ive and modern but seem likely to spread the slum conditions <br> The Cleveland experience is a duplicate of that in every city where "slum clearance" has been attempted by the federal government. Land is purchased where tenement buildings stand, the tenants are forced out (and unusually they can't find quarters elsewhere at so low a rental), the buildings are wrecked, and spiffy new tenement structures erected. When the costs are added up the rental required is too high for the low income groups. <br> The same results have been shown on Tugwell's resettlement homes. The costs proved too high for the individual to meet out of his income. In all the a big loss, which is the usual experience of government undertakings of this character. <br> Slums are the by-product of megalopolitan civilization, a massing of people in a congested area. The unfortunate and underprivileged are crowded in wretched living quarters and live and die like animals. The problem has puzzled sociolo- gists and economists for years. Some day when people learn some sense they will not pile up in ant-hill cities, but spread out over the country, where light and air and rain and earth make life worth living. Then they will look back on cities with their slums and crowds and hard pavements and sickly plants as a horrid nightmare. |
| :---: |
|  |  |
|  |  |
|  |  |
|  |  |
|  |  |
|  |  |
|  |  |
|  |  |
|  |  |
|  |  |
|  |  |
|  |  |
|  |  |
|  |  |
|  |  |
|  |  |
|  |  |
|  |  |
|  |  |
|  |  |


|  |
| :---: |
|  |  |
|  |  |
|  |  |
|  |  |
|  |  |
|  |  |
|  |  |
|  |  |
|  |  |
|  |  |
|  |  |
|  |  |
|  |  |
|  |  |



## On the Record

 Breakfast

## , <br> 


and


