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BETTER WATCH OUT

Scotland Neck Commonwealth

You better watch out or the junk hunters will snatch your stove right out of your kitchen while dinner is being cooked. And those same junk sellers had better watch out some months hence or they will be running, along with the rest of us innocent victims, from the metal faster than they

are going for it now.

At first they probably won't recognize the old scrap boilers, kitchen stoves, plow parts, car frames and other accessories from head to tail lights, aluminum, copper, brass, and other metals converted into shiny implements of war and being us-

ed ruthlessly in the hands of foriegn powers. The junk seller's lust for the dollar will be changed to a holler.

People who paid to have "the mess" hauled into the woods or to the nearest junk piller for the means of the people who paid to have "the mess" hauled into the woods or to the nearest junk piller for morths or years are now. piles a few months or years ago are now paying far more to get it hauled back to their premises so they can turn it into filthy lucre from the highest bidder.

In scouring the country, junk hunters disregard all property rights and take what they find where they find it, reviving the spirit of the damyankee Carpet Baggers in the post Civil War days.

Foreign buyers are paying now; all of us may be paying later.

HOMESTEAD EXEMPTIONS

The Zebulon Record

By the biggest vote ever given to any constitutional amendment the Homestead Tax Exemption was voted by the people in the last general election. The Legislature has already voted business men a total of overcome even these obstacles. \$1,200 exemptions on holdings: \$300 on money in hand; \$300 on accounts receivable; ted to the people.

Now the home owners ask for a similar exemption on their homes. The constitutional amendment provides for as much as ment to take away from the federal courts \$1,000 exemption, but only \$300 is being legislative powers which they never should asked at this time. We believe this mandate have assumed. of the people should be approved. It is fair and just to grant home owners one ex-emption to 4 for business men. The Legislature should provide for this.

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News and Observer

Lawyers are opposed to the President's court plan. The American Bar Association reports that a poll of its members shows them 8 to 1 against it, a remarkable ratio, which would be even more remarkable if the members of the American Bar Association had not, as The Philadelphia Record reports, voted in an unofficial poll before last November's election 8 to 1 against Roose-

The American Bar Association, which has a Liberty Leaguer for its president, is a great organization. And in connection with its present opposition to Roosevelt's court plan, it is interesting to recall with Sena-tor McCarran, of Nevada, that in 1921 it advocated increasing the number of Supreme Court justices to 11. Perhaps, as Senator McCarran says, "The association may have had more confidence in the administration in power at that time, since Warren Harding was President and Harry Daugherty was Attorney-General."

That was when the packing was going on that preceded the necessary unpacking

MATHEMATICS AS RELATED TO PRESIDENT'S COURT PROPOSALS

The Union Herald

Judson King, probably America's greatest pamphleteer, is out with a brochure entitled "The Mathematics of Democracy," in which he gives very strong support to President Roosevelt's proposals for reform of the federal courts. Here are some of those mathematics:

"Five men on the Supreme Court can now block any law passed by a majority of the 531 members of Congress.

"Thirty-three senators can now block the submission of an amendment to the Consti-

"Representatives of 2,895,237 people, in the 13 smallest states, or less than 2.4 per cent of the 122,775,000 population of the United States, can block the adoption of

an amendment if submitted. These figures are absolutely correct

President Roosevelt's plan, Mr. states, is to freshen the personnel and re-\$300 on notes and mortgages; and \$300 on form certain procedures of the federal judiforeign stocks. None of these were submit- ciary system so as to get necessary reforms

The liberals in Congress and out who object to the President's Plan want an amend-

"Since both these reforms are necessary,"

says Mr. King, "why not have both?"
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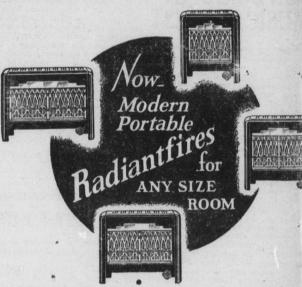
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