**CALL TO FREEDOM**

**CHAPTER 8**

**SECTION 4 RATIFICATION OF THE CONSTITUTION**

***BEFORE YOU READ….***

Answer these questions to see how much you might already know about this topic

TRUE FALSE

\_\_\_ \_\_\_ 1. Most of the people who opposed the Constitution were wealthy

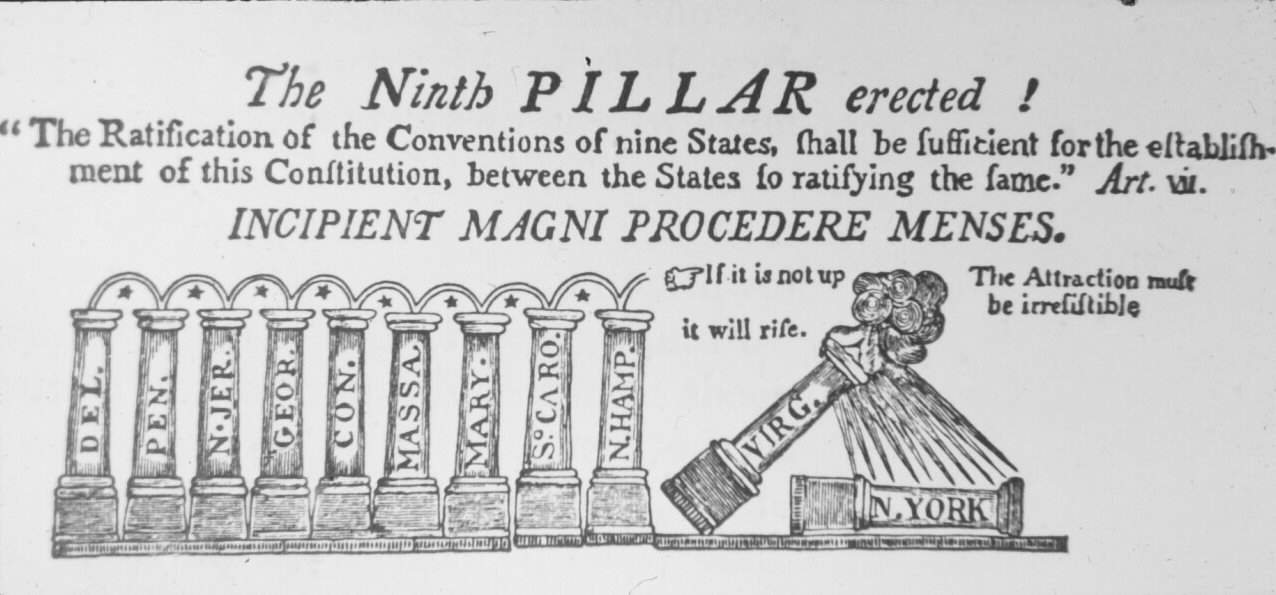
\_\_\_ \_\_\_ 2. Alexander Hamilton was opposed to a large central government

\_\_\_ \_\_\_ 3. Each state held their own vote for or against the new Constitution

\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_ 4. Delaware was the first state to ratify the new Constitution

\_\_\_ \_\_\_ 5. The Bill of Rights got some states to support the Constitution

Why do you think this picture means?



READ PAGES 242-247 IN YOUR TEXTBOOK AND ANSWER THE QUESTIONS

***Federalists and Antifederalists***

**VOCABULARY**

***DEBTORS***: PEOPLE WHO OWED MONEY

***Main idea: What were some of the Antifederalists argument against the Constitution?***

1. *What were the three arguments that troubled antifederalists about the new Constitution?*

*1.*

*2.*

*3.*

1. *What kind of occupations did antifederalists have?*
2. *Name 4 famous figures from the Revolutionary War who were anti-federalists*
3. *What did the Federalists believe about the Constitution?*
4. *Name 5 famous figures from the Revolutionary War who were federalists*

***The Federalist Papers***

**VOCABULARY**

***TRANQUILITY****:* PEACE

***Main idea: How did the Federalists Papers defend the Constitution?***

1. *What was the “fake” name used as the author of these essays?*
2. *Who really wrote these essays?*
3. *In Federalist #10 (the 10th essay in the Federalists Papers), Madison explained why one group could not take over the country. How did he explain this?*
4. *In Federalist #15 (the 15th essay in the Federalists Papers), What did Hamilton suggest about the former Articles of Confederation?*

***The Ratification Fight***

**VOCABULARY**

***RATIFICATION****:* THE PROCESS OF AGREEING TO ACCEPT THE CONSTITUTION AS THE LAW OF THE LAND

***Main idea: In what order did the states ratify the Constitution, and which states ratified the Constitution after it went into effect?***

1. *After the Articles of Confederation was written, it was required that all states approve it. How many states were required to approve the new Constitution?*
2. *How did each state decide whether or not to approve the Constitution?*
3. *Which state became the FIRST to ratify the Constitution?*
4. *What state made the Constitution the official law of the land?*
5. *Why was it extremely important to get both Virginia and New York to approve the Constitution?*

*Who helped convince New York?*

*Who helped convince Virginia?*

***Demanding and Bill of Rights***

***Main idea: Why some people feel a bill of rights was necessary and how was it added to the Constitution?***

**VOCABULARY**

***PERVERSION****:* ABUSE

1. *What did antifederalists fear the new Constitution could not do?*
2. *Why did Federalists believe a bill of rights was not necessary?*
3. *Madison believed that the bill of rights could be added as amendments. What was the process for amending (changing) the Constitution?*
4. *How many amendments were originally proposed?*
5. *How many were eventually accepted?*