

'LOG-ROLLING' AGE OLD GAME

Early Congress Encountered Sectional Problems

"Log-rolling," sectional and party divisions in House and Senate, or exactly the same parliamentary and obstructive tactics as are now employed in the American Congress were resorted to when our republic was in its infancy, according to Dean James A. James, head of the Graduate School of Northwestern university, who broadcast this week from the Chicago Daily News radio station, W.M.A.Q., on "Political and Social Conditions at the Time of the Inauguration of the American Government."

Dr. James mentioned as points of serious interest in the new national congress the question of ways and means of raising revenue, of salaries to be paid government officials, and, oddly enough, the use of the lottery as a means of raising money for carrying on local government. Alexander Hamilton's leadership as secretary of the treasury and that of Thomas Jefferson, as secretary of state and their political differences were submitted by the speaker as suggestive of quarrels today between the executive and legislative branches at Washington, while the congressional trouble respecting salaries is about to have an up-to-the-minute counterpart in the discussion bound to come over the proposal, just made at Washington, to increase the salaries of senators and cabinet members.

Hamilton Great Statesman

However, Hamilton was a great statesman, according to the speaker, and had more than one string to his bow. When he submitted his first report on public credit January 14, 1790, he showed that the American public debt was divided into \$13,000,000 owed to foreign creditors, chiefly France, Holland and Spain; the domestic debt aggregating \$42,400,000 and the state debts, chiefly incurred in the common cause of the Revolutionary war, totaling \$25,600,000, Dean James stated.

"Hamilton's report proposed full payment of the foreign debt on the score of good faith and expediency," said Dr. James. "This was agreed to by all. The domestic debt was to be funded. A spirited debate took place in Congress over this proposal. The measure was carried in the House but lost in the Senate. The Eastern members threatened to defeat the whole bill."

Near Revolution

"Fortunately the far-seeing secretary had in mind a plan to save all. At this time, the question of a permanent location for the Federal capitol was being hotly discussed. The Delaware, Susquehanna, and Potomac rivers were favored. It became a sectional question. New England accused Pennsylvania of traitorous designs on the question of Assumption in order to get the temporary if not the permanent capitol at Philadelphia. They took their revenge on Pennsylvania by having Baltimore substituted. Legislation was at a standstill. Congress grew perverse over public business and threats of disunion were uttered. Both Houses met and adjourned without dispatching any business. The subjects named were discussed at a

dinner party given by Jefferson to Hamilton and some friends. It was agreed, as Jefferson was not opposed to the assumption of State debts, that two Virginia members in Congress should change their votes on Assumption, while Hamilton and Robert Morris were to secure two votes for the Potomac site. Both bills were presented to Congress and soon passed." Dean James then gave in outline the other points connected with Hamilton's financial policy, and discussed the reasons for the downfall of the Federalist party and the political revolution which brought Thomas Jefferson into the Presidency.

COMMUNITY HOUSE CALENDAR

WEEK OF FEBRUARY 23, 1925

Community House has a number of special events of interest this week in addition to its usual activities.

The annual Star supper of the Congregational church takes place on Monday evening.

The Oak Street Circle will hold a special social meeting on Tuesday afternoon.

On Thursday evening the North Shore Art league will have its annual dinner with an interesting program. The American Legion will hold a large dance in the gymnasium.

The opening of the exhibit of the North Shore Art league will be Saturday afternoon, February 28, and will continue Sunday afternoon, and evening.

Monday, February 23

Morning—Women's class. Kindergarten.

Afternoon—Social dancing. Folk dancing.

Evening—Men's gymnasium classes. American Legion. Triangle club.

Village Improvement association. Modern Woodmen. Community Drama club. Star supper.

Tuesday, February 24

Morning—Community House Sewing class—All day. Kindergarten. Election polling place. Folk dancing class.

Afternoon—Boys' Gymnasium class. Oak Street Circle meeting. Camp Fire Girls.

Evening—Women's Gymnasium class. Friendship Circle class and club.

Classes in English for foreigners. Motion pictures—afternoon and evening.

Wednesday, February 25

Morning—Women's Gymnasium class. Kindergarten. Brush and Pencil class.

Afternoon—Basketball—boys. Camp Fire Girls.

Evening—Baseball. Czecho-Slovakian club.

Thursday, February 26

Morning—Folk dancing for women. Kindergarten.

Afternoon—Camp Fire Girls. Fancy dancing for girls.

Evening—Art League dinner. American Legion dance. Boy Scouts. Triangle Sisters.

Friday, February 27

Morning—Women's Gymnasium class. Kindergarten.

Noon—Rotary Club luncheon.

Afternoon—Motion pictures. Camp Fire Girls. Basketball. Blue Birds. Pathfinders.

Evening—Motion pictures. Community Drama club. Adventure Island dinner.

Saturday, February 28

Afternoon—Opening of Art Exhibit of North Shore Art league.

Evening—Young People's club. North Shore British American society.

Sunday, March 1

Afternoon—Art exhibit.

Invite Women to Hear Dr. Soper on Sunday

"How Shall we Think of Life after Death," was the subject of discussion at the last meeting of the Men's class of the Winnetka Congregational church, held last Sunday morning in the American Legion room of the Community House.

Dr. Edmund D. Soper, a professor at Garret Biblical institute, Northwestern university, delivered an address upon that subject.

At the close of the meeting it was suggested that the women of the congregation be invited to hear Dr. Soper's address Sunday morning, February 22. His subject at that time will be "How Shall we Think of Prayer." The meeting starts at 9:30 o'clock.

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Legion Indoor Outfit Jolts Waukegan Entry

The Winnetka Legion Indoor baseball team staggered the Haese Stars of Waukegan 22 to 5, in a game at Community House Wednesday night of this week. Charles Dehmow,

pitching for Winnetka, struck out 16 Waukeganites in seven innings and allowed but one run, later in the game giving way to another hurler.

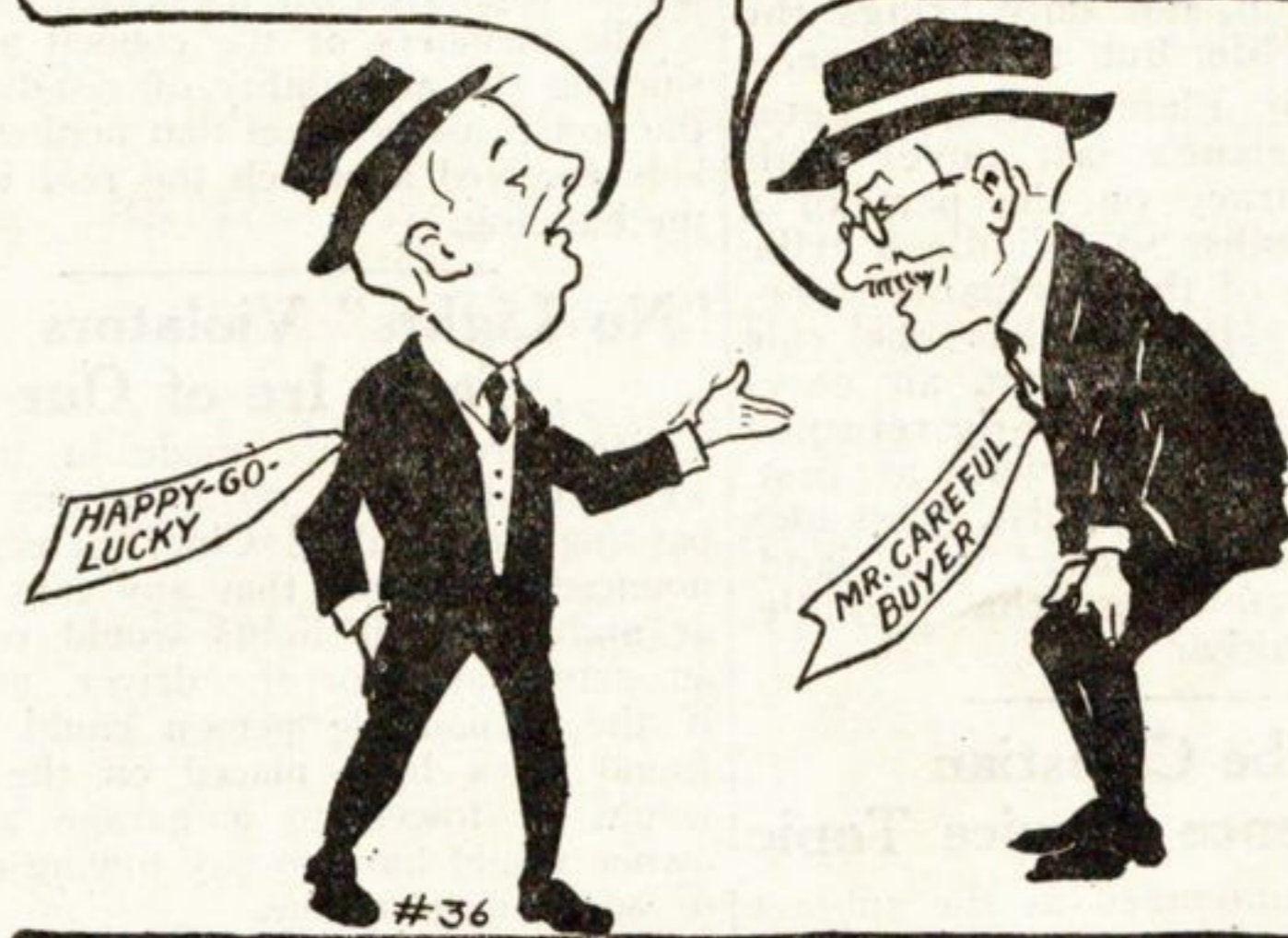
Keller's Colts will meet the Legion men at Community House Wednesday evening, February 25. The Colts are another Waukegan outfit.

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