

## Beat—Politicians

The political power-house of the era is Tammany Hall. Firmly embedded in neighborhood affairs, their graft and patronage lined many pockets with taxpayer money.

**ANTI-PROHIBITION:** Many politicians, and most New Yorkers, oppose prohibition.

**HIRED THUGS:** Not beyond using intimidation to drive off votes for opposition candidates.

**LOOMING SCANDAL:** Before the decade ends, government corruption will end many careers and force many resignations.

**TAXED:** The city is supported almost entirely by real estate taxes, not federal or state funding.

**TAKING RISKS:** The economic prosperity of the time drives officials to spend big and take risks; they will not see the Great Depression coming.

**INDEBTED:** Municipal debt increases by almost \$100,000 a day, nearly equal to the combined debt of all 48 US states.

It is the season when trees will be trimmed, streets repaired, and city departments have our best interests at heart—**UNTIL THE ELECTION.**

### ELECTION MAY BE DECIDED BY WOMEN'S VOTE

Both sides make a **MAJOR APPEAL** towards recently enfranchised voters.



**10,000 CLAMS TO BAKE**  
**FREE LUNCH** if Tammany takes the election. Vote today, eat tomorrow!

### TAMMANY HALL

**PATRONAGE:** Vote for Tammany, get jobs, handouts, clam chowder.

**REGIME CHANGE:** *Boss Murphy* cleaned Tammany's reputation; died suddenly of "acute indigestion".

**CORRUPT AGAIN:** New boss, judge *George Olvany*, bribes officials; breaks laws; lines pockets through graft.

**INFLUENTIAL:** Governor *Al Smith*, mayor *Jimmy Walker*, many others owe Tammany. Borough leaders are nicknamed '*the five little mayors*'.

**FRACTIOUS:** Members sometimes vie for position, accidentally sabotage each-other, and hold grudges.

**SLOWLY WANING:** Controls the vote in Manhattan and the Bronx. Lost hold of Brooklyn, Queens and Staten Island.

### MAYOR JIMMY WALKER

**SPENDTHRIFT:** Borrows and lends money, doesn't keep track, nobody seems to mind.

**EGALITARIAN:** His "Walker Bill" is the nation's strictest anti-KKK law.

**IDLE RAKE:** Occasionally found at work, frequently at parties; has indiscreet affairs.

