

### Visit S. & S. Home.

Several of the auto parties drove out through the grounds of the Soldiers' Home visiting and shaking hands with the old soldiers and their wives.

The Orpheum was not large enough to hold nearly all the crowd and Chas. Cottrell presided at an overflow meeting in front of the theater. Mary Antin, Elizabeth Freeman, Rita Kissin, Dr. Katherine Davis and Mrs. Frank Mebane were among those who addressed the crowd from the automobiles.

summer when we mobilized our little army of 100,000 men, it took three months to get them to the border and when we got them there you will remember what condition they were in. Half clothed and hungry.

### Postal System Crumbling.

"In the postoffice system the same process of disintegration and disorganization is going on. In the vicinity of my home near Newport, are many small farmers who had built up a profitable business with city customers through the parcels post system, built up during the administration of Taft. Then the Democrats came into power and since that time the service has been getting worse. Sometimes we do not have any delivery for as long as 48 hours."

During the course of her talk Mrs. Elliott took several slaps at the "deserving Democrats," which she claimed Wilson had put into office. "Let us vote for Charles Evans Hughes who puts his friends into office because they are strong and efficient and not because they are deserving," she said in closing.

I consider but the method in which it was passed. By his actions in regard to the Adamson bill, President Wilson smashed the principle of arbitration, a principle I believe to be the most important in the government of a republic."

In closing Mrs. Robins said, "We need wisdom and courage and integrity in the man whom we choose for president. That is why I am for Hughes." The crowd cheered and applauded at the conclusion of the talk until Mrs. Robins rose and bowed her thanks.

### Mary Antin.

"I come to serve notice on you" said Mary Antin, "that while I cannot vote, there is no more loyal supporter of Charles Evans Hughes in the United States than I am."

"I am one of 32 million foreign born citizens of the country. Probably the only interest you have ever taken in the immigrant is to consider whether he ought to be excluded from the country. Just now Ellis Island isn't doing a very big business, however, and the country is beginning to consider what can be done to make the grade of citizenship better."

## Mrs. E. N. Monroe Introduces Speakers

All the immense crowd which filled the Orpheum was perfectly quiet during the speaking—the women of the party say that the audiences here were more attentive than any others they have encountered.

"This is a great day for the women of Illinois" said Mrs. E. N. Monroe, chairman of the meeting as she came forward. In a short talk she dwelt upon the importance of choice of the first executive of the land and pointed out the responsibility which goes with the right to vote.

"We should try to select the best man irrespective of label" she said. "I have been going over the record of the administration, very superficially it is true but still with the intent to pick the best man. I believe that this country has lost ground during the last three and a half years and that a change in administration is indispensable. Mrs. Monroe introduced each speaker with a little talk telling the audience, briefly who the speaker was and what she had done.

Mrs. Maud Howe Elliott.

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### Dr. Davis Speaks.

When Dr. Katherine Davis, whose work in the Bedford reformatory is so well known, arose to speak there was a demonstration, many of the women rising in their places in respect.

She confessed that she is one of those who wanted Teddy—here the crowd cheered loudly—said that she had gone to Chicago last spring as a delegate to the national Republican convention, hoping that he might be nominated. "When it turned out the other way," she added, "some of us felt pretty bad. But after while we began to realize that we would have to elect one of the nominees of the two great parties and we wanted to know who was the best man."

### Hughes for Peace.

"I want Hughes because I don't want war. I do not believe that we will be kept out of war by vacillation."

She referred to the plank in the Democratic platform in 1912 which pledged protection to American citizens. "When the Lusitania was sunk, with innocent children, women and men aboard—Wilson wrote notes to Germany. Later he sent them a communication saying that they would be held to strict accountability. And his secretary of state tells the German ambassador that he didn't mean it—the president of the United States didn't mean what he said."

She cited as examples of courage and strength the course which Cleveland took in the Venezuelan incident, and John Hay's message to Tangier, "Pericardis alive or Resuli dead."

She said that she had stood on the steps of the city hall of New York with Mayor Mitchel and President Wilson when the dead of Vera Cruz were passing by in funeral processions, borne on the gun carriages of the army. "And still they told us that we were at peace with all the world. I want Charles Hughes because he is not afraid," she said simply, "and because he is for woman suffrage. He told me himself that if he could give free suffrage to the women of America with one sweep of the pen, he would do it."

### Mrs. O'Shaughnessy.

Mrs. Nelson O'Shaughnessy, famous as the author of the book, "Experiences of a Diplomat's Wife in Mexico," gave from the fund of her own experiences reasons why she wants Hughes for the next president of the United States.

"I am for Hughes," she said, "because in three years I saw the state go to pieces through the evil genius of the present administration. You

### Has Been Through Mill.

"I have been through the mill but there are those of the foreigners who are not so able to talk up for themselves and who form unbroken masses of communities of foreign birth. These people are citizens of the country in name only."

"It was this class of citizen who challenged Charles Evans Hughes. He organized a commission to get the facts about the ignorant foreign born people. He made laws for their protection. Now these foreign-born are scattered all through our basic industries. The way to break up the colonies of hyphenism, people who when they once catch the vision are willing to die for liberty and a square deal, is to give Hughes a chance at the next election."

### Elizabeth Freeman.

Last to speak was Elizabeth Freeman a slender fair haired girl whose notable work for the negro seems incompatible with her youth. She brought the hearers to their feet in her vigorous denunciation of the lynch evil.

In opening she spoke a word for national suffrage but was soon discussing negro problems. She declared that Wilson is a member of a secret Democratic organization called the Democratic Fair Play association whose object it is to take all negroes out of federal jobs and to put "deserving Democrats" in their places.

"In the south," she declared "the negro is really disenfranchised, but I notice that in the north the Democrats make a mighty high bid for the negro vote."

### Lynch Record.

During the present administration there have been more lynchings than ever before. Even while Fifth cavalry negro troops were fighting in Mexico a half-witted negro boy was dragged from the jail in Waco, Texas, and roasted over a fire. "Are you proud of yourselves?" she wanted to know. "Well I'm not."

After the speaking the women were hurried to the depot where band and crowd were gathered to say goodbye. The Galesburg delegation composed of Mrs. James W. Grubb, Mrs. Lloyd Dennison, Mrs. A. J. Boutelle and Mrs. Gregory A. Perry climbed on the rear platform where Mary Antin and Elizabeth Freeman were throwing streamers among the crowd. Mrs. Harriet Howard whose peppery talks Quincy will remember, was there, too.

As the train pulled out the band played Dixie.