

speakers.

Mrs. Ellis Meredith spoke this afternoon on the evolution of modern government, explaining that the present day "heresies" of initiative, referendum and recall were in force in the early Greek government. The first pure fool law was the bread and beer law of early England she said, and there is now in force in this country, except in those states which have repealed the common law or where the civil law prevails, a statute forbidding "excessive toll contrary to the custom of the realm." A statute she said which should be called to the attention of the packers.

Mrs. Trueworthy White of Boston sounded a call for deeds of service in a speech based on "the results of victory, shall they be fruits or spoils?"

Miss Margorie Shuler of New York spoke on the national citizenship work for which the League of Women Voters has been organized. She said, "The problems of reconstruction face men and women today as they did sixty years ago. But the women who helped in this last war will never return to the social ground as did the women of sixty years ago. They see need and need and they want to give national service. The League of Women Voters offers a programme of definite organized work as did the various war service departments. In the League of Women Voters women who have been pro-suffrage and anti-suffrage will join to make themselves and others better citizens. The League will be non-partisan but its members will belong to the parties of their choice and in those parties will agitate for the principles of better government which the League will formulate."

"The League was originated by Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt and is backed by the National American Woman Suffrage association whose organization has proved effective in the suffrage campaign, and in war service and will again show its worth in citizenship activities."

Mrs. Nancy Scheonmaker spoke in the morning on city government, initiating the women into the mysteries of gerrymandering, Aldermanic proceedings, city charter difficulties and how to pick a mayor. In the afternoon she talked on the problems of state and national government.

Professor Richard Whoriskey of the state college, gave a comprehensive outline of the causes leading to the war, stressing the unselfishness of the American policy as shown in the returning of the Japanese indemnity in the war of 75 years ago, the payment of Spain for the Phillipines, the return of Cuba to the Cubans and the repayment of the indemnity paid by China after the Boxer uprising.

A number of prominent women from outside the state have arrived to attend the school. Mrs. Charles Sumner Bird, first vice-president of the Massachusetts Equal Suffrage association, and Mrs. George W. Perkins motored from Boston today and Miss Mabel Connor of Portland, Me., president of the Maine Equal Suffrage association, is in attendance.