

Members of the Palermo Club taking the project "Meat in the Menu" in a skit "Let's Cook It Right" explain the proper ways to cook a porterhouse steak and a round steak. (Following the conference this skit went on both radio and television.)



club work, the next step, Miss McKercher said, was for a girl to decide what she would like to do and what she would like to become. Home Economics offers a career where women shine predominantly. In it women work on a stimulating professional level with men who respect their special knowledge rather

the conference theme, with reference to the girl's world in her home, her school and her community.

The Girls' Own Programme

The girls themselves contributed a half day's session of the programme. Marion Webb and Diane Hall of Wyevale Clothing Club gave an informative demonstration on "Shoes and Stockings" and the Palermo Food Club contributed a clever skit on methods of cooking different cuts of meat. The Winterbourne Club put up an exhibit "The Cereal Shelf" with Patricia Amos acting as commentator.

The conference divided into small groups to discuss questions relating to club work and the girl as an individual, and the club in relation to the home and the community. These are some of the findings brought back by the various groups to the conference as a whole:

To the question "Why are you a club member?" most of the answers were because of, first: the desire to learn how to cook and sew, to be a good hostess, to learn to work with others and to speak in public; and second, to make friends and to have the enjoyment of associating with other girls.

On the point of a girl's responsibility as a club member it was mentioned several times that older girls in a club had helped the younger ones; and every group stressed the duty of every member to co-operate with the leader in every way possible.

Asked if club work had made a difference in the methods of doing things in the members' homes, some of the girls' answers were: "Sometimes if we learn new and easier ways of doing things our mothers accept and use them." "We have fresh vegetables that we would not have had without club work." "The way we learn to make some of our clothes and to take care of our clothes saves money." "Our parents in their gardening follow the instructions we get on planting our gardens." "Some of our family meals have been planned as we were taught in our club." "The food budgets are better planned accord-



Patricia Amos of Winterbourne's Cereal Shelf club commenting on her club's exhibit.

than in competition against men for the same jobs. The girl who has a home economics degree will have a good general education including English, the sciences, psychology and art. She has studied nutrition as well as the buying, preparation and serving of food. She knows about fashion, textiles, sewing, interior decoration and the use of home equipment, about budgeting for family security, about buying a home and insurance, about child care, family relations and a great deal about good citizenship. She is ready for a professional career and also has the best of preparation for the most satisfactory of all careers, the management of her own home for the health and happiness of her family in it and in the community.

Miss McKercher said that in home economics there is a career for practically every type of girl and outlined various specialties.

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