Consumer Group Will Hear Talk by McHale

week announced he will participate in a statewide consumer conference to be held at the Host Inn in Harrisburg on March 23-25.

College's Institute for prompted by rising farm Community Services, the prices," said McHale. "In state Department of fact, farm prices have been Agriculture, the state dropping, without Bureau of Protection and the Con- retail prices. ference of Consumer Organizations.

by fixing protection.

Pennsylvania Agriculture speak March 23, will discuss Secretary Jim McHale last the growth of buying clubs and the movement toward tarmer consumer

cooperatives. "The public is beginning to realize that the high prices The conference is being they pay today in the sponsored by Edinboro State supermarkets have not been Consumer corresponding decreases in

McHale asserted that "more and more farmers Topics will cover all and consumers are making aspects of the consumer an attempt to meet each movement, alleged price other at the marketplace to large eliminate the fat in the conglomerates, antitrust middle that has blocked action and consumer farmers from getting a fair price and never given the McHale, scheduled to consumer an even break."

Besides McHale, the list of speakers includes, Joel Weisberg, director of Pennsylvania Bureau of Consumer Protection; Dr. Currin V. Shields, chairman of the Conference of Consumer Organizations; Father Robert McErven, president of the Association of Massachusetts Consumers and past president of Consumer Federation of America; Ruth Yanatta, chairwoman of Fight Inflation Together; Richard Goodman, vice president of C. H. Stuart Company and baord member of the Direct Selling Association; Lynn Jordan, president of the Virginia Čitizens Consumer Council; and Kimber Wald, deputy commissioner of the Pennsylvania Insurance Department.

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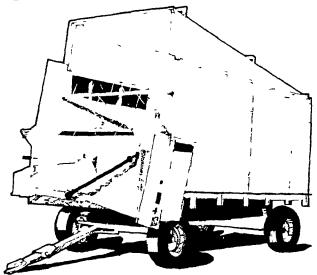
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