Grange convention

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for the McCaskey High School auditorium. Special youth programs are lined up for Wednesday at the Wickersham School and Lincoln Junior High School. This is the farm



organization's 103rd annual meeting, and as in other years, attention will be focused on major problems facing agriculture and rural communities. According to J. Luther Snyder, State Grange master, more than 2,500 bills, many of them directly or indirectly affecting agriculture, have been introduced to the State Legislature in Harrisburg, and some of them will be studied by the nearly 600 delegates from Granges throughout Pennsylvania. Snyder stresses a need for "balanced legislation" to benefit all citizens of the Commonwealth.

Topics of discussion will cover local, state and national issues. The national viewpoint will be presented Monday afternoon by John W. Scott, master of the National Grange.

Opening its doors at 1:30 p.m., Monday, many of the sessions will be open to the general public, while others will be for members only.

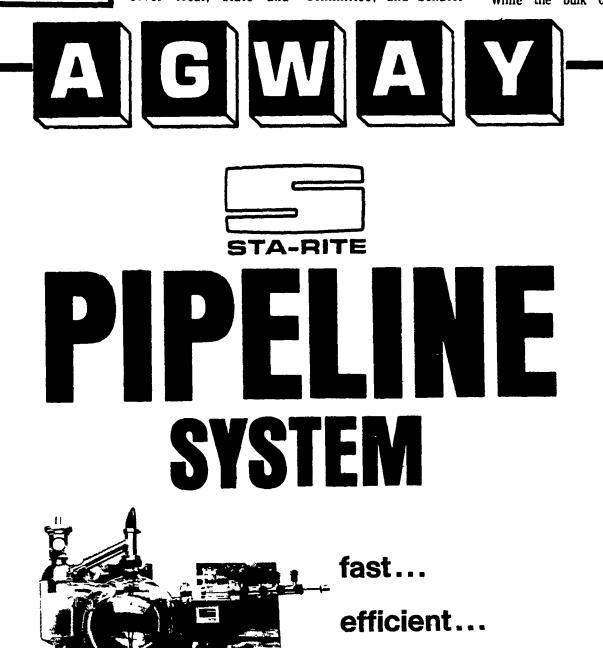
Among the guest speakers scheduled to make an appearance before the more than 2.000 (including young people) persons expected to take part in the convention are Pennsylvania's Secretary of Agriculture, James McHale; Representative Kent D. Shelhamer, chairman of the State House Agriculture Committee; and Senator

Patrick J. Stapleton, chairman of the State Senate Agriculture Committee.

Stapleton is scheduled to speak on Monday at 3:50 p.m.; Shelhamer goes to the podium on Tuesday at 10:00 a.m.; and McHale makes his appearance at 11:45 on Tuesday. A highlight of the con-

vention are the various youth programs scheduled annually by the Grange. Wednesday has been designated as Youth Day when young Grangers participate in a number of activities which will conclude with a party. The Youth Princess (Barbara Harrison from Chester County) and Youth Prince Fred Rudy from Allegheny County) are to be honored in ceremonies on Monday evening.

While the bulk of the



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Grange sessions are of a 11:45 a.m. - Address business nature, some time has been set aside for entertainment and socializing. Talent contests are scheduled for both Monday are and Tuesday evening, as well as exhibits and judging of handicrafts, paintings, photography, sewing and cooking.

Special recognition will be bestowed on this year's Young Married Couple and the Granger of the Year. Mr. and Mrs. James Steele of Pocopsin, Chester County, owners and operators of a dairy farm, have been chosen as the Young Married Couple; while J. Mitchell Blose, an Armstrong County farmer and educator, is Granger of the Year.

Following is a partial schedule of events for the 103rd annual convention of the Pennsylvania State Grange.

Fulton Opera House

Monday 1:30 p.m. - Open in Sixth Degree; Presentation of Honored Guests; Roll Call of Officers; Lowering to Fourth Degree.

- 2:30 p.m. State Master's Address.
- 3:15 p.m. Address John W. Scott, Master of National Grange.
- 3:50 p.m. Address Senator Chairman of the Senate
- 4:10 p.m. Partial report of Legislative Committee. Monday Evening
- McCaskey High School 7:30 p.m. - State Grange Talent Contest, In-troduction of Youth Prince and Princess and Young Married Couple. Tuesday

Fulton Opera House 9:00 a.m. - Opening in Fourth

- Degree. 9:30 a.m. - Memorial Service Rev. Thomas B. Musser, State Grange Chaplain.
- 10:00 a.m. Introduction of Resolutions without debate.
- 10:05 a.m. Address 1:00 p.m. Youth Ritual and Representative Kent D. Shelhamer, Chairman of Agriculture and Dairy Committee in House of Representatives.
- 11:00 a.m. Partial report of 4:00 p.m. Conferral of Agriculture Committee. 11:30 a.m. - Report of Of-

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Honorable James A. McHale, Pennsylvania Secretary of Agriculture. 2:15 p.m. - Partial Report of

Dairy Committee. 2:45 p.m. - Partial Report of

Legislative Committee. 3:15 p.m. - B. McClain Cochran, General Secretary of the Pennsylvania Sabbath School Association.

3:25 p.m. - Report of National Session for 1979 Introduction of General Chairmen for convention.

- 3:35 p.m. George Bangs -Columbia Accident and Health Insurance Company.
- 3:55 p.m. Report of Junior Grange Director, Annetta Merkel.
- 4:15 p.m. Report of State Officers and Committee Reports. Tuesday evening

McCaskey High School

7:00 p.m. - Finals - Family Vocal Contest; Finals -Family Instrumental Contest; Finals - Pomona Chorus Contest; Introduction of winners in Junior Grange Talent Eliminations; Introduction of Junior Grange Prince and Princess.

Wednesday

- Fulton Opera House Patrick J. Stapleton - 9:00 a.m. - Opening in Fourth Degree.
- Agriculture Committee. 9:40 a.m. Ruth Hoover -**Report of State Director** of Women's Activities Comm.
 - 10:00 a.m. Richard Troendle - Report of Farmers and Traders Life Insurance Co. **Recognition of Grange of** the Year.

11:15 a.m. - Partial Report of Local Government Committee; 11:35 a.m. -**Recognition of Past State** Officers; 12:00 noon; Suggestions of names for members of Executive and Finance Committees; 12:05 p.m. - Last call for resolutions without debate.

Demonstration Contest -Lincoln Junior High School Pomona and Subordinate Masters Meeting.

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