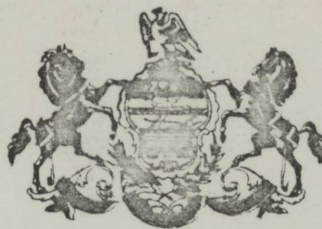


# Office of the Mayor

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The Honorable Milton Shapp  
Governor of Pennsylvania  
State Capitol  
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

Dear Governor Shapp:

The news releases as to the firing of Dr. James McClelland, Superintendent of Polk State School and Hospital, are observed and unacceptable to the citizens who know him.

Dr. McClelland is a fine, dedicated, community leader. While, no doubt he was following rules and regulations set by superiors in Harrisburg, the use of the terms, "inhumane, cruel, and degrading", as stated by Mrs. Helen Wohlgemuth, Secretary of the Department of Public Welfare, as reasons for his dismissal are not deserving of Dr. McClelland's character.

Personally, and in behalf of the many citizens who have called my office, and the Chamber of Commerce, we believe a retraction of the terms stated for his dismissal is in order.

We who visit Polk State School more often than the Secretary's two hour visit have the deepest respect for the administration and for the school.

Sincerely,

*Guy Mammolite*  
Guy Mammolite, Mayor

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Cc. - Mrs. Helene Wohlgemuth, Secretary  
Department of Public Welfare