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528 Grant Street
Franklin, Pa 16323
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Dear Governor Shapp,

I am writing this letter of protest in regard to the in humane treatment of Mr. James McClelland of Folk State School. It is sad to think in this day and age that we have become so down graded as to let one woman who is hardly qualified have such an absolute power over society. If Mrs. Wohlgemuth thought the playpens at Folk were so degrading & demoralizing why didn't she ask or demand they be removed while she was there? As for the playpens being demoralizing for a 32 year old man what was his mentality? I would probably be safer in saying it was that of an infant, so therefore it would be less demoralizing to him than a normal infant! Mr. McClelland has made so many advancements and changes for the betterment of Folk that it seems so cannibalistic to be fired for one ^{so called} infraction. If I had such a child, I would much rather have him confined in a play pen than tied in a straight jacket. I am writing this letter as a concerned citizen, taxpayer, wife, mother and R.N.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Ann Wright

This is a copy of the letter I sent to Governor Shapp, Senator Frame & Representative Lable.