Flower Hill History Oct, 21

Carlos W. Munson has been considered the father of Flower Hill. The Mortgage for this land was held by Wesleyan University in Middletown, Connecticut in 1929.

In the Village Minutes of July 8th 1940, there was the announcement of Munson's death. This land became the "official" Village in 1931. He donated 500 acres. It was expanded to include the property to the east of Port Washington Boulevard as well as the west along the railroad.

Carlos was born in Cuba in 1869. His parents were from Connecticut and along with his father and brother had a shipping business with steamship lines delivering produce from Havana to New York. From the proceeds of the business, Munson was able to assemble several small farms to create an estate of 500 acres, a model farm. He also bought up the neighboring hovels and dwe..l.lings to increase the number of acquired acres. According to the minutes,

"at great financial restrictions on his own property to keep to the highest quality of the future Village”.

In 1934, Munson gave the land for a Village Hall. It was decided to ascertain the amount of Munson's remaining taxes due and cancel/satisfy the village tax arrears owed by Munson.

Sources: Minutes of the Village of Flower Hill