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1. MY NAME IS ART ARVANITES
OWNER AND OPERATOR OF HARRY'S BAR & GRILL
400-404 NORTH VERLINDEN AVE. LANSING - MICH
ACROSS THE STREET OF 401. N. VERLINDEN
WHERE THE ~~SE~~ DURANT FACTORY WAS
BUILT AROUND 1920 - BY A GENTELMAN KNOWN
AS BILLY DURANT.
2. ABOUT THAT TIME HARRY ANDROS MET
BILLY DURANT. AT A DOWN TOWN LANSING
RESTAURANT. AND BECAME GOOD FRIENDS
3. AS DURANT MOTOR WAS OPERATING AND PEOPLE
WERE HIRED TO WORK TO BUILD CARS
THEY ALSO NEEDED A PLACE TO EAT
4. DO NOT FORGET AT THAT TIME
DURANT MOTORS WAS BUILT IN THE
MIDDLE OF NOWHERE, FROM DOWN TOWN
LANSING - WHERE THE RESTAURANTS WERE
AT THAT TIME. WORKERS WERE WALKING
TO WORK. OR TOOK THE TRULLY -
5. I THINK LOGAN STREET WAS THE
CITY LIMITS, AT THAT TIME
- 6 - FROM LOGAN TO DURANT MOTORS (OR FISHER)
WAS FARM LAND -
BDD4

SOME TIME IN 1920 - BILLY DURANT
STOP TO EAT DOWN TOWN LANSING AT
THE RESTAURANT OF THE NAME SANADOR.
THAT HARRY ANDROS WAS WORKING
WHEN BILLY DURANT WENT TO THE
RESTAURANT TO EAT HE ALSO WANT
TO TALK TO THAT YOUNG MAN THE
COOK & SERVER AS HE KNEW AS HARRY

MR. DURANT WAS VERY IMPRESSED THE
WAY HARRY WAS VERY NEAT, POLITE
HAPPY - TO SERVE AND FEED THE PEOPLE

HARRY. I WANT TO TALK TO YOU BILLY
DURANT SET. HARRY I WANT YOU TO
PUT A RESTAURANT BY THE FACTORY
SO MY PEOPLE AND I CAN EAT

HARRY WAS SURPRISED - BUT AGREED.

THE ONLY PROBLEM WAS HARRY CAME
BACK FROM WOULD WAR ONE WWI LATE
1919 VERY YOUNG IN HIS MIDDLE 20'S
NO MONEY TO SAY SO.

12. By 1921 HARRY BUILD THE CAFETERIA AS WAS KNOWN THAN AS THE STAR CAFE NAMED AFTER BILLY DURANT BEST SELLING CAR OF ('STAR') AND THE APARTMENT UP STAIRS. AT THAT TIME OF A COST OF \$8,400- AT THAT TIME A VERY GOOD HOME 3-4-BED ROOM COST OF \$3,000- DOLLARS
13. HARRY ANDROS HAD BOTH. BUSINESS + HOME FOR \$8,400-
14. HARRY'S WAS OPEN IN FEBRUARY OF 1922. WITH IT IS BLUE PLATE DINNER SPECIAL OF 35¢ CENTS MOST OF LUNCHEES FROM 10-20 CENT COFFEE, MILK, POP- 5¢ CENTS
15. STAR CAFE OR HARRY'S DID VERY WELL GROSSING FROM ~~\$1,000~~ AROUND \$2500
16. HARD TIMES CAME ALONG 1928-1929- ~~WHEN~~ WHEN DURANT MOTOR HAD TO LET WORKER GO. LOST OF JOBS AND HARRY BEEN AWAY FROM THE HEART

OF LANSING HAD TO ALSO CLOSE IT'S
DOOR. TILL 1934 - WHEN OPEN AGAIN

- AT THAT TIME G.M. CAME IN AND
FISHER BODY OPEN