

From where I sit ... by Joe Marsh

Confused "Sir"-uation

Been meeting all week to tell you about Curley Lawson's "baby-sitting" experience.

His Mrs. left him in charge, about seven p.m., with instructions not to let the children come downstairs. So Curley read his paper and whenever he heard footsteps on the staircase he ordered the culprit back to bed. Happened three or four times.

"Little while later, Mrs. Miller from next door came over to inquire if Curley had seen her Sonny. "Here I am, Mom" came a voice from upstairs, "But Mr. Lawson won't let me go home."

From where I sit, jumping to conclusions like Curley did, doesn't always make for an amusing story. The remainder of the people who—without due consideration—have concluded that I'm wrong to like an occasional glass of beer. Well, to my way of thinking, that's not only interesting ... but, what's more, "mildering" the other fellow's business is not the American way.

Joe Marsh

Livonia, Northville Mayors Give Views On Race Tracks In Their Communities

The following are reprints of letters received by The Enterprise in response to inquiries made to determine the advantages and disadvantages of having a horse race track in the community.

The letters printed below are from William W. Brashear, Mayor of Livonia, and Claude N. Ely, Mayor of Northville. The Detroit Race Track is located in Livonia and Northville Downs is in the City of Northville. This material and other articles, which will be published next week, are being printed in order that all Township residents may have a better understanding of the effects of a race track on a community. Township voters will be asked on Tuesday, August 7, to approve or disapprove the rezoning of a parcel of land in the Township making it possible for a track to be established there if approved.

Livonia

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of June 25, 1956, and will try to give you some answers to the questions you ask.

A short time after the State of Michigan had issued a license to

the Michigan Racing Association to establish a race track within the Township of Livonia, the township officials and myself, then acting as township attorney, found that by changing the form of our government from township to city, Livonia would automatically be entitled to 20% of the state's revenue, not exceeding \$500,000 a year. Our people, because of this immediate advantage coupled with the urgent need for city services, voted overwhelmingly to incorporate Livonia as a city in February, 1950.

The track in Livonia is situated along the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway to the south, is bounded by Middlebelt on the west, Schoolcraft on the north, and Inkster Road on the east, so that these major thoroughfares adequately take care of our traffic problem without any particular difficulty. We employ special policemen during the racing season to assist in handling this traffic problem. Unquestionably the track does help retail business because it brings a large number of people to our city. Unquestionably the \$500,000 which we will be receiving each year is a big factor in the development of Livonia's 36 square miles. We have witnessed no particular reaction from the average citizen and assume that he is satisfied. I am sorry that I am unable to help you in connection with your questions concerning social problems or moral issues. These are matters which the people in the community must decide for themselves.

All I can say is that the State having licensed the track to do business in Livonia we have found that it has not created any undue hardship or overwhelming problem and we have further found that the revenue from the track has helped greatly in the development of our area.

Very truly yours,
William W. Brashear,
Mayor of Livonia

ceed \$500,000, shall be returned to the city or township in which such track is located.

Next week The Enterprise will present the views of the Citizens Non-Partisan Committee Against a Race Track, a temporary committee made up of a group of resident property owners in Farmington Township. We will also present any additional information which we can gather to help Enterprise readers in making a sound decision on whether or not to approve the proposed rezoning of a parcel of land in the township to permit the operation of a race track.

The Boston Red Sox have the best World Series record in the majors. They have won five championships while losing only one.

A knot is a measure of speed, being one nautical mile, or one and one-seventh land miles, per hour.

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Northville

Gentlemen:

In reply to your inquiry of recent date regarding a race track within the community, we will answer them in the order in which you have put them:

1. Regarding tax benefits, our first returns from the State on pari-mutuels since becoming a City amounted to \$89,463.90. As to local taxes, those which we receive directly from the Northville Downs amount to approximately \$800.00. The track is owned by the Northville Driving Club, who pay the taxes on most of the real property. As to County taxes, we cannot give you these figures, as Northville Twp. has collected these up to the present time.

2. Regarding the effects that the added traffic have on the area, they have caused no great problem. We do hire two additional officers during the rush hours, which might to handle the traffic at the track, but it takes only about 5 half hour after the races are over for all cars to leave town, which they do in an orderly manner. There has been no increase in the accident rates because of the race track, and neither main nor side roads have become dangerous because of the increased amount of traffic.

3. We have needed no additional fire personnel and equipment.

4. There are a few undesirable characters in the community who come here with racing, but they create no great problem. Crime rates, including robberies, burglaries and loitering, have not increased because of racing.

5. We have not found that the track has become a hindrance for youths, nor has the local cleanliness of our community been greatly affected by the race track.

6. As to the question of whether or not people regret having approved the race to become established here, there are some people, of course, who do not approve of racing and therefore feel that it is a detriment, but on the whole the race track is not looked upon with disfavor.

We trust this information will be of some help to you.

Very truly yours,
City of Northville
Claude N. Ely, Mayor

EDITOR'S NOTE:

It should be pointed out that prior to this year only cities could benefit from pari-mutuel revenues derived from race tracks. It was therefore a distinct advantage for both Livonia and Northville to become cities. Recent changes in the Law have now made it possible for townships to derive the same benefits from pari-mutuels as do cities. The law, signed by the Governor in April 1956, provides that 20 per cent of the revenues received, not to ex-

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