



HEADING FOR ENGLAND—Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Smith of 1000 Wellman Rd., DeWitt, and their children, Sheila, 11, and Quinton, 15, study travel folders and have their suitcases packed for their trip to England. The Smiths left today and Quinton will spend a year in a British high school. (State Journal Photo)

DeWitt Youth Lauded by English Tutor

DEWITT — Quinton Smith, a former student of DeWitt High School now studying in England, was described by the school's headmaster as being a "splendid young ambassador for the United States."

In a letter, written to Mrs. Faye Hanson, Paul P. Lewin, headmaster of Manor Boys School in Cambridge, England, said about Smith: "He has settled into the work and life of the school spendidly, and is a model of good sense and dutiful cooperation in all matters, both social and academic."

Smith, 15, left for England June 8, to spend a year with his grandmother, Mrs. E. E. Griggs, and to study at Manor Boys School.

He also played on the Manor football team and played a leading role in a school play about Canadian Mounted Police. Lewin also said he hopes Smith will accompany him and his family on a trip to Austria and Switzerland in August.

Quinton is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Smith of 1000 Wellman Road, DeWitt.

Area Boy To Study In Britain

DEWITT — Quinton Smith headed for England today, but not on vacation. He will start classes within three weeks while his fellow DeWitt High School students are enjoying the summer freedom.

The 15-year-old DeWitt student left today for London with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Smith, and his sister, Sheila, 11. They live at 1000 Wellman Rd.

The trip is two-fold, first to visit Mr. Smith's mother, Mrs. L. B. Smith, who lives in Worcestershire, and Mrs. Smith's mother, Mrs. E. E. Griggs, of Cambridge, and second, for Quinton to enroll in an English school.

Mr. Smith will return to DeWitt in July and Mrs. Smith and Sheila will come home in three months.

But Quinton will remain for a year with his Grandmother Griggs in Cambridge where he will attend school for his 11th year. This means Quinton will be back in class this summer because English school pupils get only three weeks vacation. But he also hopes to have some time to visit European countries before returning home.

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ESTIMATES ASKED

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No Quorum

Meet Ready -- Almost

DeWITT — Everything was ready for the DeWitt City Council meeting Monday night. Well, almost everything.

There was a delegation of residents from Cherry Street where

water backing up near the road and into fields presents a hazard.

And Clerk Ray Price was in his chair, ready to record the minutes. Then Mayor pro-tem Allen White counted noses and there weren't enough councilmen to hold a meeting. Technically that means there wasn't a quorum. Besides White and Price, there were only two other Councilmen. Mission were three councilmen and Mayor William Buck.

White informed the Cherry Street residents to return at 8 p.m. Thursday when the meeting will be held.

Two File For Mayor At DeWitt

DEWITT—Two men have filed petitions for the post of mayor of DeWitt in the upcoming municipal elections.

Councilman Eldon Smith and Robert Ballard, chairman of the Planning Commission, have filed petitions as candidates for mayor.

Mayor William Buck has not indicated if he will seek re-election.

Deadline for filing petitions is Monday.

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Drainage, Sewer, Street Problems

DeWitt Council Weighs City Needs

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Before work can be done to drain the area, councilmen said they want to determine the source of the water that is filling the field along the housing development.

ESTIMATES ASKED

Extension of the sanitary sewer line on Webb and Dill Roads was again discussed. Councilman Lloyd Berkimer moved that Mayor William Buck investigate the proposed extension of the

sewer service and the motion was adopted.

Under the city charter, councilmen explained, the mayor must make an investigation of any extension from the termination of the existing line to the city limits and provide an estimate of cost, plans, specifications and an estimate of assessments.

Clerk Ray Price informed the council there are between 13,000 and 14,000 feet of city streets in need of new blacktop. The council asked that estimates of the cost be obtained.

Robert Ballard, chairman of the Planning Commission, told the council that the commission is working on changes in the zoning ordinances and will soon present them for consideration. The changes were not outlined.

Councilman Lawrence Keeck, chairman of the Mayor's Day

Exchange, reported on plans for the observance.

DeWitt will be visited by Mayor Harold Reijenger of Coleman, Midland County, on May 16. At the same time, Councilman and Mrs. Berkimer and Planning Commission chairman Ballard will represent DeWitt in the city of Coleman. Mayor Buck will be on vacation.

CONTRACT ACCEPTED

Assistant Fire Chief Arthur Newman said that Riley Township has accepted a fire protection contract with the city fire department. He said the DeWitt department already has a contract with Watertown Township as well as an agreement covering half of DeWitt Township. Newman said only Olive Township remains to sign a contract.

The council learned that Police Chief Charles Anderson has completed a 16-week FBI training course in law enforcement, conducted at the Ingham County Sheriff's Department in Mason.

On the motion of Councilman Eldon Smith, the next meeting was changed from May 16 to May 18 in order not to conflict with the Mayor's Day events.