

# Family Living

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THE ROUTE—Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cary of Australia, trace their travels to DeWitt to visit a son-in-law and daughter.

## Australian Pair Sails for Home

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DEWITT — Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cary of Freemantle, Western Australia, are sailing aboard the British ship, Iberia, from San Francisco—bound for home after spending the last 10 months with their daughter, Mrs. Donald Bautel, and family, Longspur Dr.

Last June, Mr. and Mrs. Bautel and five of their seven sons met the Carys in San Francisco and returned by car across the U.S., showing the Carys the countryside. The Bautels have also taken their guests to Arkansas, Detroit, Chicago and to Canada fishing.

Cary, who retired two years ago as head of the Freemantle Port Authority, says he is much impressed by the U.S. and leaves reluctantly. Mrs. Cary says she has mixed feelings—sad to be leaving, but also eager to see her three

sons and 14 grandchildren in Australia.

The Carys will stop in Hawaii and Fiji and spend four months in New Zealand visiting Mrs. Gary's brother, returning home in October.

Mrs. Bautel met and married her husband when he was stationed with the U.S. Navy in Freemantle during World War II. She has returned to visit her native land twice since coming to the U.S.



**SCHOOL'S OUT** — A mass assembly of 1,400 students in DeWitt Public schools paraded from Feurstenau Junior High School to Riverside Park Thursday to receive best wishes for a happy vacation from Supt. James Ritchie. During the non-protest march, students saw the opportunity to carry humorous signs such as "Down with School." (State Journal Photos by Jack Bolt)



## **Students March**

### **But DeWitt Parade No Protest As Spring Semester Ends**

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DEWITT — School let out today with a parade and a mass assembly in the park of all 1,400 DeWitt Public School students, who received best wishes for a happy vacation from Supt. James Ritchie.

From kindergartners to graduating seniors, the students paraded through town, going the six blocks from Feurstenau Junior High School to Riverside Park.

Sixty-two seniors in traditional cap and gown led the march, which was an innovation by Ritchie.

It was the superintendent's first year at DeWitt, and he planned the parade as a fitting way to close the academic year and selected an outdoor setting as the best place to give the students a sendoff for the summer.

He also planned the line of march through the business district to impress upon the community the growing trend of the DeWitt's school enrollment.

For those who enjoy parades,

Ritchie said he also intended the event as a kind of "thank-you" for Monday's 2 to 1 support at the polls of a \$2.7 school bond issue.

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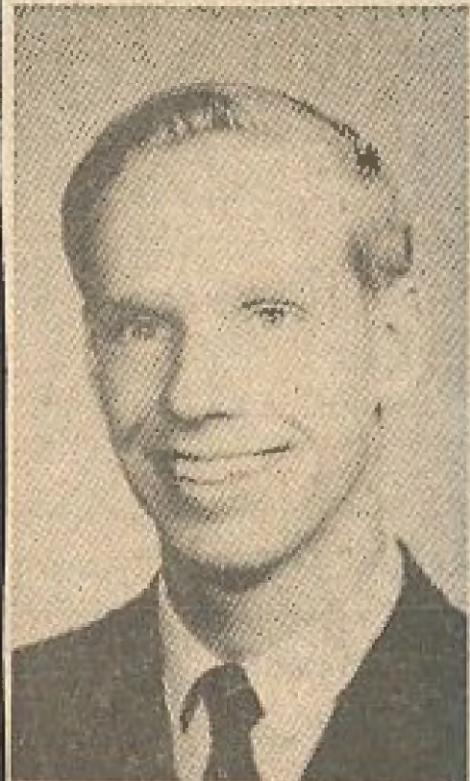
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APPOINTED—Stanley Becker, 17, of DeWitt, has received word from U.S. Rep. Charles E. Chamberlain, R-Mich., that he has been appointed a page in the U.S. House of Representatives for the summer. A 1968 honor graduate of DeWitt High School, he was a page in the Michigan House of Representatives in 1966-67. He is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Maurice Becker, 211 Dill Road, DeWitt.