

Effort Seen To Reopen Library

DANVILLE, Va., July 28—Reports were current here today that a further effort will be made next week to reopen the Danville libraries, closed since April on the race issue.

The city council is to meet next week to pass on air conditioning the city hall at a cost of \$35,000, but the pro-library element is said to be ready to present a formidable petition signed by adults and juveniles asking for the library to be put on a functioning basis again.

Earlier, it had been believed that the effort to reopen the libraries would await the installation of a new city council Sept. 1 when three new faces will be seen in the body of nine.

The present council voted 5 to 4 to close the library. Whether the group seeking to restore library facilities has heard there might be a switch of one vote is not indicated.

In the meantime, City Manager Edward Temple today reported that the renovation of the white library has been completed at a cost of about \$38,000.

He said he is compiling an expense sheet for the council.

Two weeks ago Temple denied that more money than was authorized by the council had been channeled for the public library improvement.