

Happenings Kingswood

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ation" program designed to give employment to jobless teachers and to offer educational and leisure time activities to idle men and women.

To Entertain Handicapped

By BETTY KRAUSE
Special Writer

Christmas spirit will be shown to handicapped children just prior to the beginning of vacation. On Saturday, the Cranbrook and Kingswood Cabinet, aided by other chosen juniors and seniors, will give a party for about forty such children from this area.

Accompanied by teachers, these youngsters will arrive that afternoon at Cranbrook and will be greeted by the traditional festive arrangements. Toys, dolls dressed by Kingswood students and model cars assembled at Cranbrook, will be distributed by a Santa Claus and Christmas Carol. Ice cream and cake will be served.

Necessary to a fun-filled party is entertainment and this will be supplied by the singing of Christmas Carols. Even as the children depart, they will be anticipating next year's party.

THE SCENE will be the Cranbrook auditorium and the dates, Dec. 13 and 14 for the presentation by Kingswood and Cranbrook students of "The Importance of Being Earnest". Each of these two nights, at 8:15 p.m., the curtain will rise on this comedy set in Victorian England. This play, with the "boy gets girl" amid trouble from the demands of society theme, ends on a happy note.

The cast comprises Carol Cole, Pat Pagan, Connie Green and Anne Clark from Kingswood, and Ted Baldwin, Steve Senter, Jim McQuaid, Bill Wood and J. T. Kuhlman from Cranbrook's Ergasterion. They have been rehearsing for two months under the direction of Mr. Licklider, a Cranbrook master.

FAMOUS HANDEL'S Messiah was performed last Sunday, by the combined Glee Clubs of Kingswood and Cranbrook. The girls in white cottas and the boys in dark jackets sang in four part harmony under the direction of Mrs. E. Chapman and Mr. Reed, with Mr. Bates at the organ.

Solos were sung by Bonnie Hummer, Pat Pagan, Arch Copeland and Jeff Higgs. This annual presentation was given at Christ Church Cranbrook.

The last dancing class of the year for the seventh and eighth graders was on Wednesday. It was a party for the group of lower schoolers from Kingswood and Cranbrook.

Dyke meets Hazel Park with the victors playing the winner of the East Detroit-Mt. Clemens game.

People's Column Letters

Church Disappointed Her on That Sunday

To the Editor: I wonder how many people were as disappointed as I when we went to church the Sunday after President Kennedy's death.

It was one of the biggest and most influential churches in the area. Except for the silent professional and recession and tolling of the bell, there was no dedication, not even a word to honor our departed and beloved President.

Was this because he was Catholic? I know this church has strong feelings about that.

Yet, nations came forth regardless of color, creed or religion to honor him as a man and a great leader.

WHY, THEN, can't we do the same here in our own society, rich or poor? Isn't this the thing the President died for? I am not a Catholic; yet I thought this man was a leader among men and to be greatly admired.

No man could have been more dedicated, Catholic or Protestant. Hundreds turned out on that Sunday morning as I did to hear words that were never spoken. I wonder if they felt as empty as I did when they left this beautiful house of worship.

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Good Teacher Needn't Worry

To the Editor: When I taught school in Ann Arbor, I appreciated how teachers enjoyed the security of tenure, but I was distressed when inept or psychologically unsound teachers could only be moved from one school to another.

A two-year probationary period cannot always predict what

changes a lifetime will bring. Now that I am an interested parent of the Birmingham School District, I appreciate the insinuation of the In-service Training Program, the caliber of administrators and teachers and the quality education our children receive.

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