Debonnaire Continentals prefer service record to social acclaim

Five years ago a group of young women in this city were organized as a unit of the Continental Society for the aid of children of the Virgin Islands.

Latge they decided that charity begins at home, and readjusted their program to aiding underprivileged children of Baltimore.

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DEBONNAIRE and gay, the young women, who are distinctly identified with the young social set of the city, are horrified if you make the error of classifying Continental activities as "social."

About this they are strictly serious.

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THEIR SPECIAL project is St. Elizabeth Home, where, as sort of "big sisters" to the girls, they cater to such feminine needs as providing funds for hair dressing, etc.

They have other projects of a civic nature including contributions to local health drives, the Cooperative Women's Civic League, and the Ladies Guild of Provident Hospital.

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LAST YEAR they provided $100 worth of toilet articles for Rosewood. They have, this year, given a tumbling mat to the Harvey Johnson Center. They have also donated an electrocard to Provident Hospital and provided camperships for boys of the Young Men's Christian Association.

Their present objective is to expand these charities.

AT A delightful luncheon in Wilson's, a Saturday ago, they gathered friends to talk of their projects.

They were guests of West view Memorial Gardens at the affair, and had as speaker Miss Anita Williams of Catholic Charities.

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MISS WILLIAMS told the story of St. Elizabeth Home, how the establishment had grown from the idea of the late Mary E. Hubert.

A deserted mother, Mrs. Hubert began assuming the care of children in order that she might earn a living while remaining in her home with a sickly daughter.

Many years later the project was taken over by Franciscan Sisters. Since that time the home has sheltered as many as 200 children at a time.

The home is open to Protestant as well as Catholic girls.

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THIS STRIKES a kindred note with members of the Continental Society, for their membership religious connections are widely varied.

In fact, they have only two Catholic members.

Miss Betty Williams presided at the luncheon session on Saturday.

As an example of their charm, they pinned corsages on the young women who have served as presidents. Mesdames Doris Cole and Margaret Mason, and the present president, Mrs. Sue Miles.

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MEMBERS INCLUDE: Mesdames Odessa Dyson, Emily Peck, Edith Davidson, Doreva Stanley, Sevilla Carroll, Sue Miles, Serena Holmes, Doris Cole, Phyllis Thompson.

Mesdames Ellen Howard, Lillie Branch, Mattie Mumby, Margaret Beaman, Frances Turner, Helen Quarles, Helen Gattis, Dolores Young, Frankie Hinchen, Margaret Mason, and Miss Williams.

CLUB OF THE WEEK — These charming young women pride themselves on the program of their club, the Continental Society for the Underprivileged Children of Baltimore. Shown at a luncheon in Baltimore, recently, they reviewed the services they are rendering St. Elizabeth Home. Left to right, seated, are Mesdames Odessa Dyson, Emily Peck, Edith Davidson, Doreva Stanley, Sevilla Carroll, Sue Miles, Serena Holmes, Doris Cole, Ellen Howard; standing, left to right: Mesdames Lillie Branch, Mattie Mumby, Margaret Beaman, Frances Turner, Helen Quarles, Helen Gattis, Dolores Young, Frankie Hinchen, Margaret Mason, and Miss Betty Williams.

HELPING OTHERS — Typical of the women who have volunteered their services to aid patients at Crownsville State Hospital are the ladies shown here with Mrs. Roy Hamilton (seated), volunteer coordinator, Crownsville Auxiliary and volunteer services need more women like them. Pictured here with Mr. Hamilton are members of the Samaritians Club. Left to right, Mesdames Sarah Henry, Ernest McGruder and Mary Stokes.

Golden Age Club

The Golden Age Club of the Lexington Poe Homes, and of Lexington Poe Homes, was hostessed recently by their leader, Mrs. Ethel Dunn.

At a Thanksgiving Dinner, Celestine Anderson was a treat the auditorium of the Poe for those who attended.

A program included songs by members of the club and messages from visiting ministers: Warren Weaver, manager of the Lexington Poe Homes, and members of the club.

Walter Finnals, recreation director of the Poe Harbour Recreation Center, served as M.

The dinner was served by the ladies of the Resident Council of the Lexington Poe Homes.

The Lexington Poe Homes Golden Age club has 81 members.

TAKING PART in the program were Mesdames Jane Anderson, Mary Wilkes, Ruth Phillips, Johnson, Joyce Anderson and Ronald Ladd, members of the club.

Groups participating were the Pupils, The Velvets, and the Glory.

Models for the fashion show were Misses Edna Cox, Brenda McDonell, Michelle Day, Jane Anderson, Ruth Phillips and Joyce Anderson.

Mrs. Helen Haven, Frank Leftwich and James Russ are recreation leaders at the center.

The Variety Show presented an Mr. Finnals is the center's by the Teen Council of the director.

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Dorothy Smith, Geraldine L. Smith, Iona Smith, Hattie Tilghman.

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POT-POURRI: When the Maryland League of Women's Clubs ended its benefit in Catonsville a Saturday ago, their prizes went to J. P. Curtis Littleton Harridays and Mrs. Bernita Fuller.

Mr. Curtis won a transistor radio; Mr. Harriday, a portable television and Mrs. Fuller an air conditioner.

The benefit was arranged by Miss Mayme Tilghman, Mrs. Naomi Camper and Mrs. Ruth Brown, with able backing of Madam President, Lena K. Lee.

The Ladies Guild of Macedonia Baptist Church's Christmas Candlelight services will give a presentation of the massed choirs of the church under direction of Shellman DeWitt Johnson, on Dec. 18.

The DeWitt singers will be featured, a color film will add to the festivities and the Carnation Milk people will provide refreshments, with Madeline Pullen serving as hostess.

Eula Watts and Orangie Epps are chairmen of the project.

Plans were wrapped up at a meeting of the Guild in the elegant new ranch home of Beatrice Lancaster last week. Presiding was Naomi Evans.

That's going to be a gala Christmas hat show and Coffee Hour which the Ladies Guild of Provident Hospital is sponsoring at Douglass High School on Saturday evening.

The special collection will be that of Ruth J. and personalized cocktail aprons will be presented by Velma O. Ferguson, art lecturer at Dover State College, in Delaware.

Alma Williams surprised and delighted her two teenagers, Catherine and Betty, by inviting some of their friends to breakfast Thanksgiving morning.

The guests were Diane Dash, Jean Pulley, Peggy Johnson, Edna Scroggins, Cookie Scroggins, Patricia and Rose Williams, and Betty and Catherine.

Afterwards the girls relaxed and played pinochle and enjoyed records.

EDWARD JAMES ALSTON, the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Alston, recently celebrated his 11th birthday at the home of his aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Edward H. Jackson, 2301 W. Lafayette Ave.

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Crownsville Auxiliary's meeting

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Bus transportation will be provided to and from the hospital. The bus will pick up passengers in front of the Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church, 2100 block of Madison Avenue, promptly at 1 p.m.

Speaker will be Mrs. Louise Shoemaker, who will ask us and help us answer the questions, What kind of a group member are you?

A group of patients will dramatize "Talent Show" as part of the program.

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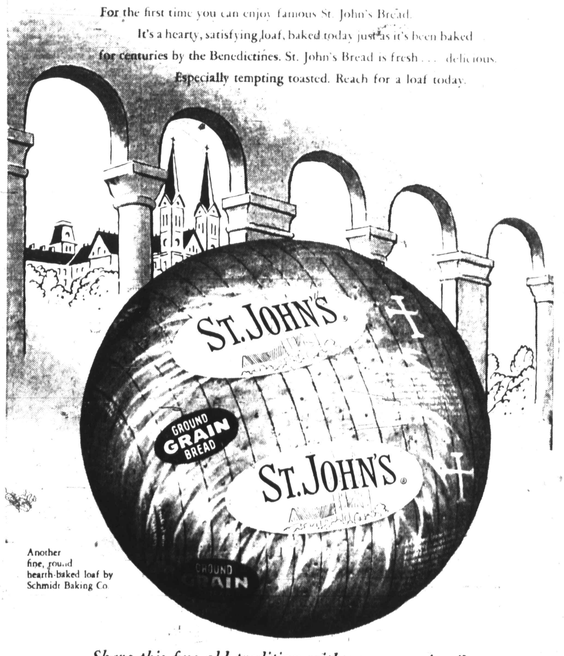

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Also a fourth cup vinegar, a small onion, chopped; an eighth cup sugar, a half teaspoon salt, a can tuna, a cup chopped celery, mayonnaise and lettuce hearts.

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SOFTEN GELATIN in cold water. Combine vegetable stock, tomato juice, vinegar, onion and seasoning. Heat to boiling and simmer three minutes.

Strain, pour over gelatin and stir until gelatin is dissolved. Pour into salad ring mold and chill until firm.

Combine tuna, celery and mayonnaise to moisten. Unmold aspic on lettuce, till center with tuna salad, and garnish with stuffed and ripe olives.

BRRR IT'S COLD — When you see pictures like this, can winter be far behind? The answer to that is a big rousing "no." Things were pretty chilly in Baltimore over the weekend and this young lady, taking the necessary precautions, is Mrs. Gwendolyn Brooks, English teacher at Douglass High School.

—Bass divorce

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could to satisfy her." He said that he left their Division St. home at her instruction.

Mrs. Bass, the former Evelyn Westcott whom he married 17 years ago, has denied her husband's desertion charges. She is a substitute teacher and dressmaker. She is asking permanent alimony and support for their children. His suit asks that she be granted their custody.

Mrs. Bass's attorney, Warren J. Weinberger, inferred during the hearing that the separation was caused by another woman.

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TO SUPPORT this contention, witnesses for Mrs. Bass testified they had seen Mr. Bass in company with a young woman, had seen him visit her at a hospital maternity ward where she gave birth to a son, had seen him in an affectionate pose with a woman and infant.

In addition, Mr. Weinberger indicated he would call one of the Bass daughters to support this claim, but when Attorney Cooper objected, gave a statement which he said the child would make.

Mr. Bass, himself, when cross-examined by his wife's attorney, was firm in his denial that he was involved with a woman other than his wife, although he admitted he owned a car which she drives.

He was asked and answered as follows:

Q—Do you know a girl by the name of . . . ?

A—Yes.

Q—How long have you been knowing her?

A—About four or five years I guess.

Q—Would it go back as far as 1956, Mr. Bass?

A—Yes.

Q—About nine years?

A—No, about four or five years.

Q—Does she have any children?

Mr. Cooper: Objects.

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MR. FISHER to Mr. Weinberger: You are attempting to show that this complainant committed adultery with this woman?

Weinberger: Yes.

Fisher: I overrule the objection.

Bass: She has one child, yes.

Q—Is that your child?

A—No.

Q—Did you ever tell your children they had a brother?

A—No.

Q—Did you ever take your daughter into your room over Gamby's and tell her you wanted her to meet somebody?

A—No.

Q—And there was a child there?

A—No.

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Q—I BELIEVE you told me you didn't introduce your daughter to her in this room upstairs in Gamby's?

A—No, not in the room, it was in the balcony. She was sitting in the balcony with another fellow and girl when my daughter came up and that is when she met her. That was about a year, about nearly two years ago, about a year after I got that letter and we made the agreement and when she Mrs. Bass's put me out.

Q—Did you ever bring your daughter to a room, unlock the door and introduce her to Mrs. . . . for the first time and Mrs. . . . was in bed in night clothes and the baby in night clothes?

A—No, No.

Q—Never?

A—No.

Q—Was this girl ever in Europe?

A—No, she was in England.

Q—Was there any reason for her to call your home?

A—I don't recall it.

Q—You don't recall your wife asking you how come she called you from England?

A—I don't remember.

Q—Have you ever taken this girl to your apartment on Hilton St.?

A—No. I never carried her there.

Q—How about an automobile? Does this girl drive an auto?

A—Yes, she drives it.

Q—In whose name is this automobile?

A—My name.

Q—What year is this auto?

A—1957 Chrysler.

Q—Isn't it a fact, Mr. Bass, that you have been having an affair that dates back quite a long way with this girl?

A—Never.

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EDWARD ROBINSON and Oliver Wise, business associates and witnesses, for Mr. Bass, testified they did not know the Mrs. X named during the hearing and in fact knew of no contention in the Bass Division St. home until he moved.

Mr. Robinson, under cross-examination answered as follows at one point:

Q — Are you personally a friend of either, a friend of Mr. or Mrs. Bass?

A—Right now, I'm in the middle. He is my hunting partner, and I drive her sometime.

Q—Does Mr. Bass have a girlfriend?

A—No.

Q—Do you know any girl in the past two years who is supposed to be his girlfriend?

A—You got me in a spot there.

Q—Do you know if he had a girlfriend since 1956 who had a baby?

A—I don't know.

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MR. WISE, who testified he is one third owner of Gamby's, likewise testified he did not know the Mrs. X referred to did not know of an infant. He was asked if he ever visited the Bass home and replied, "many times on business."

Q—Did you know they were not getting along before you were told by her attorney?

A—I felt as though there was some difficulty. He seemed to be distressed at times when we were discussing business.

Q—Are you familiar with a young lady by the name of—

A—Yes.

Q—Have you ever seen her in Gamby's?

A—No.

Q—Do you know whether she has a child by him?

A—I am not familiar with that.

Witnesses for Mrs. Bass (who did not take the stand), gave a different viewpoint.

For example, her niece, Miss Marlene Johnson, who said she at one time worked for Mr. Bass at his snack bar, testified:

Q—How long did you work?

A—1952-53.

Q—During that time did you know a young lady named —

A—Yes.

Q—She is now divorced. In 1952 did she ever visit Gamby's?

A—Before he had Gamby's she would come in the back door and go upstairs.

Q—Did you know if she had a key?

A—Yes, and she drove one car all the time. The blue and white Chevvy.

Q—Whose was it?

A—Well, he said it was his.

Q—Did you ever see him treat her with any show of affection?

A—During the summer of 1959 he came out of the side door and put her and the baby in the car.

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ALSO TESTIFYING for Mrs. Bass was Mrs. Doris Good, who pointed out Mr. Bass as the same person she had seen in a maternity ward at Johns Hopkins Hospital when she was a patient in November.

Q—Do you mean you knew he wasn't her husband?

A—Because I know her husband . . . we went to school together.

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HIGHLIGHTS OF some of the other testimony follow:

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Mrs. Ruth Brown, 3501 Elamont Rd.:

MR. WEINBERGER — You are a friend of both of them?

A—I am a friend of Mrs. Bass. We used to visit and her husband was never home. We knew she was lonely so we would visit her, or take her out with us when we went.

Q—Have you ever seen Mrs. Bass treat him improperly?

A—No.

MR. FISHER — When she would go to dances, would she explain:

A—She always tried to get him to go.

MR. FISHER—Did he stay home or did he have business?

A—As far as I could understand, he just didn't want to go.

MR. COOPER—Would you go so far as to say Mr. Bass never took her any place?

A—He rarely took her any place.

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MRS. BROWN'S husband, William C. Brown, 3501 Ellamont Rd., gave the following testimony:

Mr. Weinberger: Prior to Nov. 1958, did you visit the Bass home?

A—Yes.

Q—Did you see Mr. Bass there on occasion often or not so often?

A—Well, less than frequently.

Q—Did you ever see him treat his wife in an improper manner?

A—No.

Q—Or vice versa. Did you ever see her treat him improperly?

A—No, No.

Q—What kind of person is Mrs. Bass?

A—There are few women who have more integrity than she has.

MRS. ALMA CASSWELL, 1148 N. Carrollton Ave., aunt of Mrs. Bass:

MR. WEINBERGER — Did you ever observe how they treated each other?

A—Yes.

Q—Did he treat her in any manner you considered improper, or vice versa?

A—No, no more than a cooling off between the husband and wife.

Q—Did Mrs. Bass ever treat her husband improper?

A—Oh, no. She was a loving wife.

At the conclusion of the hearing, Mr. Fisher held the divorce action under advisement and instructed attorneys for both parties to come to an agreement on matters of alimony and report back to him.

It is expected that some decision will be reached within the next month.

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