If you ask me

By Bettye Moss

Hats off!

Our salute of the week to Mrs. Virginia Burton Vauls, because she has been an inspiration to many these last eight months.

She is the widow of Travis W. Vauls, who was president of the Baltimore Urban League when he died this past April.

During her husband's long illness, and since his death, she has shown great courage, involving herself in helping and serving others. If the burden was heavy, she cried in her pillow.

Friends have admired how well she has kept a stiff upper lip.

For her unwillingness to let a beloved's death destroy her, and for being a valiant woman, hats off to Virginia Burton Vauls.

Please let this column know when you observe people who are outstanding.

In this section we seek to prove that people do take time to commend others when they do well. Hats off!

More hats

Mrs. Virginia B. Vauls, mentioned in our Hats Off section above, showed her courage at the Baltimore Urban League's Awards Dinner on Thursday evening, (Dec. 16), at the Convention Center.

In accepting a plaque in memory of her husband — the UL exec since 1970 — she said: "Thank you for your thoughtfulness and thank you sincerely for the plaque. Travis looked at the real world, and gave the city a new way of looking at itself."

Then, she announced that friends who had contributed to the Travis Vauls Memorial (which the family had requested in lieu of flowers), had made possible a scholarship fund at Morgan University.

We noted above that Mrs. Vauls is active in a number of areas. Some of them: — She is grand matron of Myra Grand Chapter, Order of Eastern Star, Prince Hall Masons; member of Jerusalem Court, Daughters of Isis; the Queen Esther Assembly, Order of Golden Circle.

Plus, she serves on the national education board of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, and belongs to St. Matthews United Methodist Church.

Cuff note: Mrs. Vauls is employed as bursar, (treasurer), at Morgan U.

The Vauls' son, Bryan, a Rutgers University grad, is a grad student at U. of Baltimore.

UL orchids

Orchids to Urban League Awards Dinner planners for picking two distinguished Equal Opportunity Awards honorees.

Mrs. Doris Johnson, the dynamo executive director of the Cold-stream - Homestead - Montebello Community Corporation, a leader in numerous civic organizations, was an excellent choice.

The audience loved the way she credited others for her efforts.

The second honoree, J. Henry (Hank) Butta, was equally humble in accepting his citation.

He is vice president, director, and chief executive officer of C and P Telephone Co. in Maryland, and also active in numerous civic groups.

The audience gave thunderous applause to Walbrook High School's Anthony White, winner of the Urban League's art contest award.

He told the predominantly adult crowd: "I'd like to thank my mother. She always told me to strive for excellence. And my art teacher without whom this would not be possible."

And there was a standing ovation for the Morgan State University choir's rendition of "Pray for Peace," with soloist Elizabeth Hogue. Dr. Nathan Carter directed.

Plus, there was applause for Mayor Schaefer, who was present in person to read his proclamation declaring December 16 Equal Opportunity Day in Baltimore.

Scallions

Urban League biggies missed a bet by failing to pay special tribute to Urban League staffers who were present, particularly Harold Kennedy, who has done a yeoman job as interim president.

Oh, yes, they did mention he was present.

Some dedicated staffers appeared grief stricken!

And, earlier this year, they missed an opportunity to pay fitting tribute to the late Mr. Vauls. Wouldn't it have been appropriate to name the League's new word processing center for him?

After all, he did work tirelessly for over a decade expanding and stabilizing the League program.

And, further, he talked often about how IBM had worked with other League affiliates to get word processing training programs and sought to do so here, but funding was not available.

Cuff note: Insiders say that Vauls never held a public function without acknowledging his staff, as well as volunteers!!

Edie weds

Friends and relatives in Springfield and Dayton, out Ohio way, have been keeping our phone busy.

They are "distressed," and "sorry" that TV anchor lady, Edie House is returning to her native Baltimore.

But, even though they have fallen in love with Edie, they will be happy to learn she is returning for good reason.

On December 4, Edie (her real name is Edith), came home to exchange wedding vows with Richard Foster Jr.

Event was at Brown Memorial Chapel, with the Rev. Douglas Miles officiating. A reception followed at the Springdale Ave. home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James House, (Edith).

For her big day, Edie wore a ivory lace frock and a colorful orange corsage.

Her sister, Margaret Rutledge, was matron of honor.

The bridegroom, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Foster Sr., of NY., had his dad as best man. Also here from N.Y., his sister, Lynn.

To Channel 11

The newlyweds will be at home in Columbia after the first of the year. Mr. Foster is videographer with Gannett and based in D.C.

The bride, a U. of Md. grad, began her career on our AFRO city while enrolled in college.

As of January 3, she returns to WBAL - TV here in Baltimore. Malcolm Potter, general manager, says she will be a working anchor.

He added: "We're thrilled to have her back. She has been with us for ten years. For the past year, she has been commuting back and forth from Dayton. Now she's married, and coming back home."

To our friends in Ohio who have been watching and adoring Edie House on Dayton's WDTN, the ABC affiliate there: "Be of good cheer. We're sure you're happy your favorite TV anchor is leaving you for good cause — to be near the man she loves.

Cuff note: The new Mrs. Foster told this column that she and her bridegroom first met at WBAL here when he was a photographer and she a reporter.

On their first assignment together, "We didn't hit it out at all," she confessed.

Glad to report that time changed all that, and this story has a happy ending.

Good luck to one of our favorite people, Edie House, and her new hubby, Dick Foster.

HATS OFF SALUTE in this week's If You Ask Me column goes to Mrs. Virginia B. Vauls, widow of Urban League president, Travis Vauls. She is pictured here with Dr. Benjamin C. Whitten, left, new Urban League president; and Harold Kennedy, who has been interim president since Mr. Vauls' death last April. See more in Ask Me.

MLK SPEAKER — Dr. C. Dexter Wise 3rd, a native Baltimorean who pastors Shiloh Baptist Church, Columbia, Ohio, will be guest speaker at 8th annual Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Breakfast, Friday, Jan. 14. For details, see If You Ask Me.

BRIDE — Edie House, TV anchor in Ohio comes home to get married and to return to WBAL - TV. See details in If You Ask Me.

Yule story

For years, AFRO city desk writers vied for prizes for the best stories describing the birth of Christ.

This city editor usually wrote one -too, because there were some writers like Jimmy Williams and George Collins, who rebelled at the idea, so we wrote ours first, even though we were not eligible for the prizes.

Cleaning out a desk this week, we discovered our 1963 Yule story which here," growled the bearded man whose huge frame covered the lighted doorway.

Mary had fallen into a half - conscious state and was moaning loudly when Joseph turned towards the stable in the rear of the inn.

"Don't worry, honey," he whispered, "I'll find a place for us to rest."

He pushed the stable door open and gently placed Mary on the hay.

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Mary groaned louder

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ENJOY GOOD TASTE AND SAVE MONEY, TOO

IN THESE TRYING ECONOMIC TIMES, our lifestyles are fast-changing, and we are doing many things ourselves we haven't done for years. Baking is just one pastime that is becoming more popular again.

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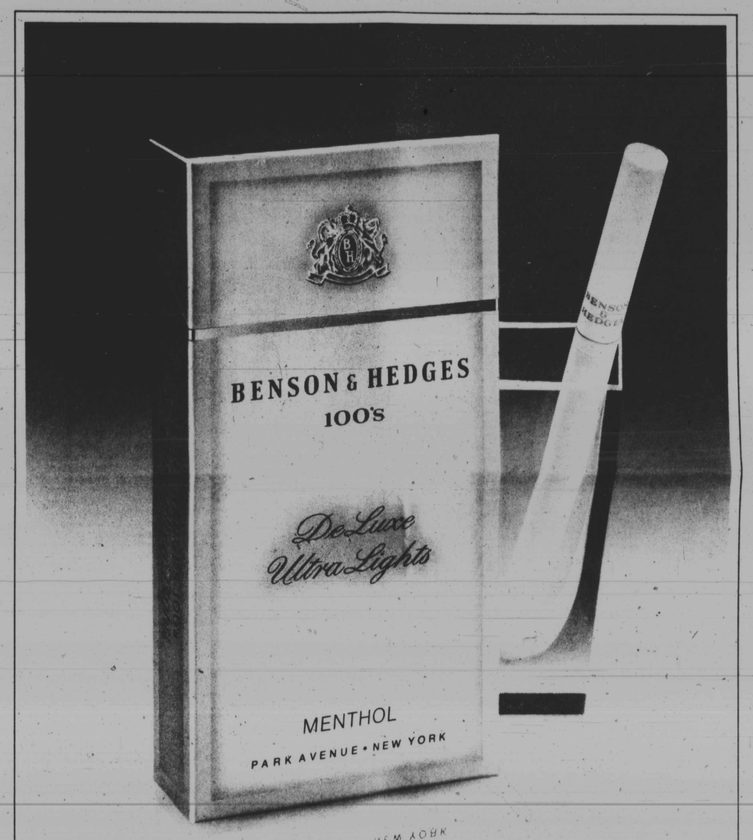

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