Arthur B. Spingarn, NAACP founder, dies

PROMOTED—Dr. Joel Carrington, principal of Walbrook High has been named assistant superintendent of of secondary schools, the first major shift by new superintendent, Dr. Roland N. Patterson. He succeeds Dr. Wilmer V. Bell. New principal is Mrs. Anne Emery.

NEW YORK (UPI) — Arthur B. Spingarn, a member of the white family which helped found the NAACP and its president, for 25 years, died in his sleep at his apartment Wednesday. He was 93.

Spingarn, regarded a militant when the NAACP was founded in 1909 but viewed as an old-fashioned traditionalist by many young civil rights activists in recent years, served as president of the nation's largest and oldest civil rights organization from 1940 until 1965. When he retired at 88, declaring he was getting too old, he was named honorary president for life.

Roy Wilkins, the NAACP's executive director, said in a statement that Spingarn's legal victories in the civil rights field "helped turn the tide slowly but definitely for his clients the millions of black Americans who had no legal standing in the courts."

A prominent lawyer, Spingarn became chairman of what was then the NAACP National Legal Committee in 1911. One of his early victories was in 1927, when the Supreme Court ruled in favor of the NAACP in a challenge against an all-white election primary in Texas.

When the legal committee became the NAACP Legal Defense and Education Fund, Inc., He was named its president and retained that title until 1957, when he resigned. During that time, in 1954, the NAACP won the unanimous Supreme Court decision which banned segregated public education.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT and not so much for dining seems to be the thing as NAACP National Director Roy Wilkins (left) and District Court Judge Solomon Baylor chat at the Sunday NAACP Freedom Fund Dinner honoring NAACP Life Members.

Drug abuse seminar tonight

A series of one-day meetings in each of seven state regions has been scheduled by the Drug Abuse Administration of the Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, according to its Director, Philip Greene, each meeting will have two sessions one for legislators, the other for the general public.

The first meeting is:

Region VII (Baltimore City) — State Roads Commission Auditorium, 300 West Preston Street, Baltimore, today (Friday) 2:00-5:00 p.m.—Legislators, 7:00-9:00 p.m.—General Public.

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The Baltimore City Bureau of Recreation's 13th Annual Volunteer Corps Award Banquet will be held today at 1:00 p.m. at the Alcazar Hotel, Cathedral and Madison Sts. Four hundred thirty-six (436) Volunteers will be presented pins and certificates for their volunteer services at recreation centers and playgrounds throughout Baltimore.

Notice for all city employees

Delegate Kenneth L. Webster, 5th District, Baltimore and Wendell Wright, chief of Neighborhood Operations of the Community Action Agency, are urging all City employees who are members of the City Retirement System to attend a mass meeting regarding City Retirement funds.

The meeting will be held Dec. 7, at 7:30 p.m. at the Union Baptist Church, 1219 Druid Hill Ave.

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William Boucher of the Greater Baltimore Committee is organizing the affair. Between 700 and 800 persons are expected to attend. The keynote speaker will be Mayor Kevin White of Boston, a close friend of Mr. D'Alesandro.

Palmer rites on Saturday

Funeral services for Floyd A. Palmer Sr., 47, 1 Evans St. Glen Burnie, will be held Saturday 10 a.m. at the Cherry Hill Presbyterian Church, where he was a longtime member.

Mr. Palmer, a 25-year employee at the Bethlehem Steel Co. in Sparrows Point, died Tuesday evening at Provident Hospital. He had been ill since last spring and hospitalized since August.

Born in Macon, N.C, Mr. Palmer was the son of Mrs. Bertha Palmer, who survives and Henry Palmer.

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Reared in Macon, he attended schools there. He moved to Baltimore in 194- where he met and married the former Goldie Tyler of Sparrows Point, who also survives.

During World War 2, Mr. Palmer served in the Army in Europe. He was discharged in 1946 with the rank of T/4.

In addition to his mother and wife, he is survived by a son, Airman 1st class Floyd A. Palmer Jr., an AFRO employee now stationed at Ft. Meade, Md., a daughter, Miss Sharon A. Palmer, student at Andover High School in Glen Burnie.

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Also, sisters, Mrs. Lillie Riley, Dorchester, Mass., Miss Dicy Palmer, Cambridge, Mass., Mrs. Carrie Palmer, Norfolk; Mrs. Esther Withens, Mattapaw, Mass.; and two brothers, Alvin Palmer, Portsmouth, Va., and Ether Palmer, Baltimore.

The Nutter Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. The family receives friends tonight (Friday) from 6 to 9.

Burial will be in Arbutus Memorial Park.

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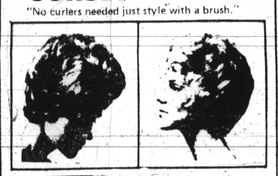

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Home gas price goes up here

Residential gas bills will, starting from this month, go up by 15 cents a month as a result of increase in the price of natural gas.

Roland Stricklin, director of information, Baltimore Gas and Electric Co., said the present price of 2.16 cents per 100 cubic feet will be raised to 2.24 cents per 100 cubic feet.

He said the hike represents an increase of 3.8 per cent in the adjustment rate.

Mr. Stricklin said the Federal Price Commission has approved the increase which will be put into effect in the December bills.

Those using gas for heating their homes will be paying about 10 to 15 cents more this December since it is regarded as the month that needs heating month.

Mr. Stricklin could not say whether other companies will be increasing their prices but said so far as his company is concerned the raise would be in effect in Baltimore.

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