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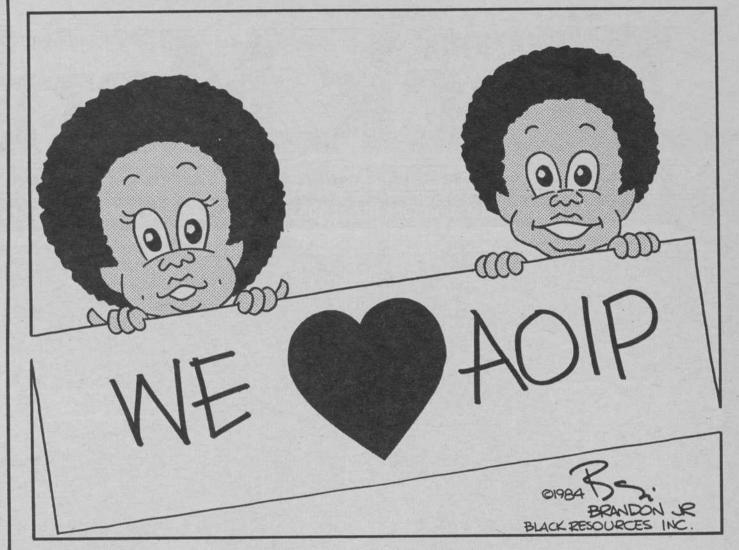
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Two very important articles—from an historic point of view-are featured in this month's National BLACK MONITOR.

One deals with our celebration of the 75th anniversary of our nation's foremost civil rights organization-the NAACP. It was established in February of 1909, and is still the major advocate for our rights. Let's support our local and national offices with a contribution of at least one dollar for every year it has been working for us-or with whatever we feel we should contribute.

Our other feature-although based largely on minutes taken from two recent meetings-is unquestionably an historic one. These meetings culminated in by far the most important commitment in this century to remediation of the widespread functional illiteracy among our people. The commitment from Secretary Terrel H. Bell was that all of the readilyavailable resources of his United States Department of Education would be joined in illiteracy eradication with all of our Black community AOIP organizations. AOIP's focus is largely on going to the root causes of illiteracy by enabling our sisters and brothers to feel good enough about themselves to want to learn.

Secretary Bell, in his remarks to a cross-section of delegates from almost half the AOIP organizations, stated words to the effect that, "I view you as leaders coming not to seek help-but rather to give help to me and my associates in doing our job in illiteracy eradication. We desire to cooperate with you in every possible way, starting at once."

Never in this century has a similar commitment been made by the United States Government to deal forthrightly with the root causes of illiteracy.

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