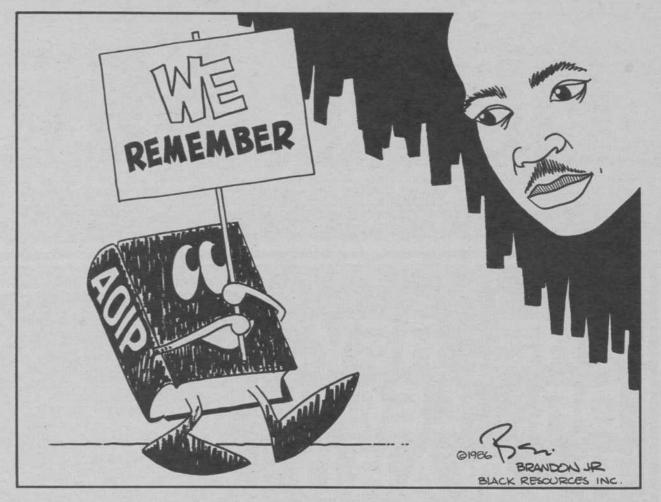
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## **Editorial Notes.**

First, we need to report an oversight in our December Cover Story on the National Council for Black Studies. We failed to mention the strong working relationship that has developed between Dr. William Little, Chairman of the Black Studies Department at Portland State University. and BMI Publisher Bernie Foster of The Portland Skanner, an AOIP-participating newspaper. Together, Dr. Little and Mr. Foster have developed a most innovative Media Training Program combining journalism and Black Studies in which students earn five academic credits.

We congratulate Dr. Little and Mr. Foster on this creative approach to literacy enhancement and cultural enrichment.

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The national Assault On Illiteracy Program (AOIP), which involves more than 80 Black-led organizations, working interorganizationally to address the Black illiteracy predicament, is a product of The BMI Cooperative's belief that we must look to ourselves for our salvation.

But organizations are made up of individuals-and which one of us has not ask-

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We are delighted to start the New Year

with a Cover Story about a God-inspired

man who has made a difference in this

country and abroad-"The Rev. Dr. Leon

Howard Sullivan: Master Builder For All

Leon Sullivan was deeply influenced by

his grandmother's deathbed wish that he

help his people and not let the devastating

poverty she had experienced happen to

someone else. He has found creative ways

in which individuals working together can

make the seemingly impossible, possible.

We believe that our readers of all ages

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will be inspired by this first part of the Sullivan story. The February issue will

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