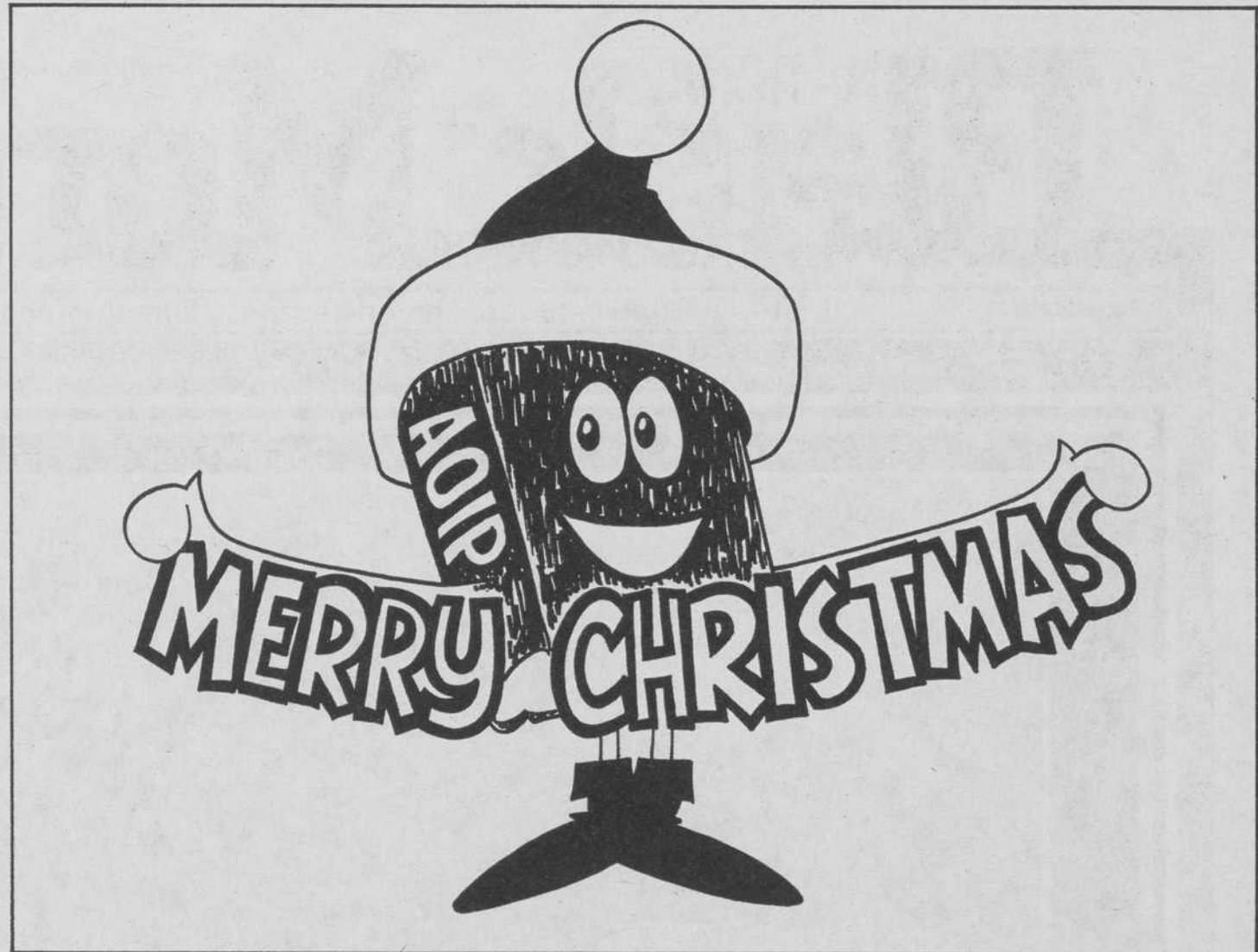


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- Augusta Black Focus (GA)
- Bakersfield Metro Star (CA)
- Bennetsville Fine Print News (SC)
- Birmingham Times (AL)
- Bloomington Voice (IL)
- Boston Greater News (MA)
- Buffalo Criterion (NY)
- Buffalo Fine Print (NY)
- Charleston Black Times (SC)
- Charleston Coastal Times (SC)
- Charleston Chronicle (SC)
- Chicago Independent Bulletin (IL)
- Chicago Observer (IL)
- Chicago Tri-City Journal (IL)
- Chicago World News Examiner (IL)
- Cleveland Metro (Bedford Heights, OH)
- Columbia Black News Group (SC)
- Columbia Palmetto Post (SC)
- Columbus Times (GA)
- Cordele Southeastern News (GA)
- Dallas Weekly (TX)
- Decatur Speaking Out (AL)
- Decatur Voice (IL)
- Denver Weekly News (CO)
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- East St. Louis Monitor (IL)
- Eutaw Green County Democrat (AL)
- Florence Black Sun (SC)
- Florence Shoals News Leader (AL)
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- Fresno California Advocate (CA)
- Gainesville Journal (FL)
- Gary Info (IN)
- Goldsboro Metro Times (NC)
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- Greensboro Carolina Peacemaker (NC)
- Greenville Black Star
- Greenville Palmetto Leader (SC)
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- Hattiesburg Hub City Community News (MS)
- Houston Sun (TX)
- Indianapolis Indiana Herald (IN)
- Jackson Blazer (MI)
- Jacksonville Advocate (FL)
- Kansas City Globe (MO)
- Las Vegas Sentinel (NV)
- L.A. Metro Gazette (CA)
- L.A. TV Journal & News Magazine (CA)
- L.A. Watts Times (CA)
- Little Rock Arkansas State Press (AR)
- Lubbock Southwest Digest (TX)
- Macon Times (GA)
- Memphis Mid-South Express (TN)
- Midland Progressive Times (TX)
- Milwaukee Times (WI)
- Mobile Inner City News (AL)
- Monroe Free Press (LA)
- Montgomery/Tuskegee Times (AL)
- Muskogee Oklahoma Eagle (OK)
- Newark/Essex Suburban Greater News (NJ)
- New Orleans Black Data Weekly (AL)
- New York Daily Challenge (NY)
- (New York) Long Island Courier (NY)
- New York Recorder (NY)
- Orangeburg Black Voice (SC)
- Orangeburg View South News (SC)
- Orlando Times (FL)
- Palmetto Post (SC)
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- Peoria Voice of the Valley (IL)
- Philadelphia New Observer (PA)
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# Editorial Notes.....

All of the many wonderful and thoughtful women associated with the National Council of Negro Women (NCNW)—and who also are associated directly or indirectly with the Assault On Illiteracy Program (AOIP) should be extremely proud. For, this month's story is most unusual in that it reflects how an old idea or "norm" in our society—the getting together of the family—can be turned into a vital tool to help transform our brutally battered family semblances during long centuries of enslavement into solid structures on which our society can be rebuilt.

If we were only plain Americans like those of White or European ancestry, we could listen to such blissful words as "family reunion" with the same joy and pride as all others greeted by our glorious Lady Liberty, as they came to these shining shores as parts of often-poor, but always-proud families.

Yet, our memories, if true, could resort to no such resemblance. But many of us have tried to throw off the thoughts of our thorny past when we were terrorized and torn from the turf that was ours. In a culture

in which tribal or family life towered over all, that close relationship simply was transcendent.

The realities of the tragic and often-deadly exploitation of our select transgressors were—and are—often so painful that, even today, many of us choose to see and believe only the brighter side of our past and present. And often, we need to look on the positive side of many otherwise perturbing things in order to build bright bridges from

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