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CARL HAMPTON
"FREE" HEALTH
MEDICAL CLINIC

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Charles Freeman, member of Central Committee. "This rally was called to cite the inadequate medical facilities for Blacks. We felt it best to help set up a free medical clinic in the Black Community."

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Rally Staged By Peoples Party II

Nearly one hundred people attended an open rally staged by People's Party II at Emancipation Park Sunday, December 6. The general tone of the rally centered

around support for the Carl Hampton "free medical clinic" and comments on community problems and People's Party II program.

Four major speakers discussed issues surrounding the Black experience. They were James Aaron—Chairman of People's Party II, Mickey Leeland—TSU, Robert Wallace—Treasurer of People's Party II and Charles Freeman—member of People's Party II Central Committee.

Most of Leeland's speech centered around health protection and the availability of health clinics to provide needed community service to poor people. He revealed that the medical staff and administrative personnel at Ben Taub General Hospital know that mostly low income people frequent the hospital; and because of this, they (poor people) are treated badly. "Most of the insensitivity on the part of the recent baby infections (Pathogenic E. Colia, a bac-

teria infection causing diarrhea and dehydration to infants) at Jefferson Davis was the lack of concern for treatment of poor people in need of health care," stated Leeland.

He went on to say, "The Carl Hampton Free Health Clinic will act as a referral clinic and provide some much needed assistance in getting sick residents admitted to Ben Taub and other hospitals."

Attention was shifted to Baylor College of Medicine. Leeland prodded the medical institution for having only two Black students enrolled in the college. He cited the long standing racist nature of the college's study program as a present deterrent to Black students who are interested in studying medicine.

"We want freedom," declared Wallace. "Every man born has a right to freedom. Our desire for freedom is

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Mickey Leeland