## THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND OBJECTIVES OF THE REGIONAL

## COUNCIL OF NEGRO LEADERSHIP OF MISSISSIPPI

The Regional Council of Negro Leadership has been a most helpful organization to the Negro Race in Mississippi. Just a few of the major accomplishments already made by the Regional Council of Negro Leadership may be named as follows:

- 1. The Pegional Council of Heart Leadership from its beginning fought for first class citizenship for Negroes in Mississippi. (Progress made along this line evidenced by Negroes recently being permitted to pay poll tax and register in Humphry, Tunica, Leflore, Quitman, and other counties.)
- 2. The Regional Council of Negro Leadership led the fight to have filling station operators, provide rest rooms facilities for Negro Tourists in Mississippi. (As a result many filling stations have provided them and printed signs that are out stating Clean Rest Room for Colored.)
- 3. The Regional Council of Negro Leadership led the fight to stop Highway Brutalities upon Negroes Tourists by Highway Patrolmen. (Today we have few, if any Negroes, being beaten up or whipped over the heads by these Officers.)
- the Regional Council of Negro Leadership led the fight against the Governor's Plan for Voluntary Segregation in the Public School Issue, (This fight started at the Governor's Meeting when he called one hundred (100) Negroes to Jackson for conference.) The State Legislature is still struggling against us over this matter.
- 5. The Regional Council of Negro Leadership led the fight against Economic Pressure as applied by the Mississippi Citizen Council. (It was at the suggestion of the President of the Regional Council, Dr. T. R. M. Howard, in a Regional Meeting of the N. A. A. C. P. that provisions were made for One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000) to be placed in the Tri-State Bank in Memphis, Tennessee to pay off the accounts of Negroes being pressed by the whites.) Today at many Banks Negroes are getting loans without any trouble or red tape.

Yes, the Regional Council of Negro Leadership is doing a great job for the elevation of the Negro Race in Mississippi. And much remains yet to be done. We shall not be satisfied or rest at ease until every objective of this organization will have been accomplished.

The overall objective of this Council is to take a stand and guide our people in their civic and economic responsibilities-promote health, education, religion, registration and voting, law enforcements, tax paying, the perservation of property, the value of saving; guide us in all things that will make us stable, qualified, conscientious citisens, and lead us to first class citizensnip in all things.