

NIGERIAN TIDE

• Vol. 11 No. 3070 Monday, October 26, 1981 20k

GROWTH PROCESS RELIES ON VARSITIES

Vice-Chancellor explains roles

MAKE IT PREMIER



**BEER FOR YOU AND
YOUR FRIENDS**

UNIVERSITIES have been described as powerful mechanisms of investment and consultation which are invariably tied to the development processes.

This opinion was expressed by the Vice Chancellor of Rivers State University of Science and Technology, Professor T.T. Isoun while talking to the Nigerian Tide in Port Harcourt on Friday.

The professor contended that with the rapid industrial development in the country, institutions such as the universities ought to be pivots of consultancy services for the country's development projects so that the transfer of the much publicised technological know-how would be delivered to our indigenous manpower.

The vice-chancellor stated that as education was on the concurrent list and universities established by law, the question of recognition of newly established universities by the Na-

tional Univer- Commission INUC could not arise.

He noted that technical Universities on mission has laid out guidelines for establishment of higher institutions.

He disclosed "our premier technological university here is operating with the full knowledge of the NUC."

The institution, Professor Isoun stressed was determined to realise its aims. He said that the students have been given new impetus for the achievement of their goal.

The vice-chancellor maintained that the university has created suitable environment for academic work and this he said was rare in most of the country's higher institutions.

He announced that most of the faculties in the sciences, engineering and environmental studies have taken off without hitch.

The first ever Institute for Pollution Studies has been set up to tackle the enormous perennial problems of the Niger Delta for the benefit of



WILLIAM SHUNU SHAGAN

Bizmandocked on theft charge

A Port Harcourt based business man, Mr Lasbery Uchendu, managing director of Lasbery Supply Company, has appeared before a Port Harcourt chief magistrate court charged with conspiracy and stealing.

According to the prosecution, the accused was alleged to have conspired with persons still at large to steal N171,381 between March and May, 1978 from the Pan African Bank Limited.

The prosecution further alleged that Lasbery on March 30, 1978 forged a Pan African Bank Club Road inter-branch payment voucher for N37,721 and purported it to have been signed by

one Godwon Oghia.

It was also said that the accused on April 27, 1978 forged another inter-payment voucher for N48,200 belonging to the same branch of the bank which was purported to have been signed by Michael Mpi and that similar document of the same branch of the bank for N45,400 was again forged by him on May 25, 1978 purporting it to have been signed by John Oghonna.

The accused pleaded not guilty to the charge and was granted bail in the sum of N10,000 with a surety in the same amount.

Further hearing has been adjourned till November 4, this year.



PROF. T. T. ISOUN

humanity and posterity.

"We shall work hard to open the Niger Delta," he assured.

Professor Isoun defended the establishment of campuses elsewhere saying, they would ensure social, political and academic growth of the communities in which they are sited.

On the funding of universities, the vice-chancellor stated that the country has sufficient money to fund universities conveniently without tears. However, he said this would depend very much on the country's priorities.

He contended that universities were not (Continued on page 3)

Today's top
flights

Accountant, deputy die in robbers' raid

Page 2

Saraki can't say yes or no on bill

Page 5

Consider all areas in revenue formula

Page 7

Terrorism is as old as mankind

Page 10

Enyimba Supporters attack Sharks after defeat

Page 15

Robbery suspects nabbed

An armed robbery suspect, known within the underworld circle, as "director of operations" and nine of his lieutenants have been arrested by a team of anti-robbery detectives from the Rivers State Police Command in Port Harcourt.

The suspects who were picked-up in the city centre were believed to be the brains behind a number of major robbery operations within the municipality in recent times.

Meanwhile, investigating detectives who cornered the men at their hide-out following a tip-off, have already seized a 504 saloon Peugeot car with registration number RV324 PC believed to have been used in their nefarious activities.

Other items recovered from the seized car, include three face masks, an iron crowbar, a number of iron rods as well as screw drivers and two vehicle plate

Continued on page 16

PAUSE AND PONDER

Formal teaching reaches intelligence alone. Moral sense, beauty and mysticism are learned only when present in our surroundings and part of our daily life.



'Health care is responsibility of all arms of government'

THE Federal Minister for Health, Mr. Daniel Ugwu, has stated that every tier of Government in Nigeria has responsibility to provide health care delivery in its areas of authority.

The Health minister made the statement while addressing newsmen shortly on arrival at Enugu Airport to start a three-day official visit to Anambra State.

Reacting to an allegation made against the Federal Government by the "Progressives" Commission for Health in their last meeting held at Benin, Edo State, he said that the Federal Government was performing well as far as health responsibility in the constitution was concerned.

Mr. Ugwu disclosed that the Federal Government has decided to decentralise the University Teaching Hospital in the country and already UTH, IFE in Oyo State has separate three

campuses while plans were underway to have similar two campuses of UNTH in Anambra State.

SARAKI CAN'T SAY 'YES' OR 'NO' ON BILL

THE second reading of the 1981 electoral bill began in the Senate last Thursday.

The Senate leader, Dr. Sola Saraki, introducing the second reading, reminded Senators that no election can be held without the bill being passed.

On the proposal to introduce electronic voting system, the Senate leader said he had not seen the device so he cannot comment on its approval or rejection.

GOVT SHOULD OBTAIN PEOPLE'S CONSENT

Land acquired for project

by Rogers Ntor-ue

THE chiefs and elders and youths of Zakson community have jointly called on the Rivers State Government to always consult them before acquiring land for development in the community.

They frowned at the practice whereby some greedy elements in Zakson were selling other people's land clandestinely on behalf of the

community without their consent and approval.

The call was made at the palace of Chief S.K. Tigidam, the Menebua of Zakson community, when the elders and youths called on him.

Chief Tigidam expressed happiness over their visit and promised to devote his time and energy in the service of the people and the development of the community.

He further gave the assurance that their grievances would be channelled to the appropriate quarters and would receive immediate attention.

He thanked the delegation and the entire people of Zakson for the massive support given him as their leader and appealed to them to cooperate with him in order to enhance the development of the community especially through self-help efforts which are likely to attract government subvention.

Earlier, the delegates had thanked Chief Tigidam for his able leadership which they said had contributed to the maintenance of peace, law and order in the community.

According to the spokesman of the delegates from the seven

villages of the community, Mr. Christian Awu, the wise and selfless reign of Chief Tigidam has ushered in an era of development projects such as the provision of new streets and good drainage system.

Mr. Awu, then appealed to the government through him to provide electricity and approve the Kid Commercial Secondary School for the community.

•Photograph shows Chief S.K. Tigidam addressing the elders and youths of Zakson community when they called on him.

Equipment boss meets Oyo commissioner

THE director general of Agricultural Equipment Services Organisation, Mr. A. I. I. Sacke, and his deputy, Mr. W. Frisleshe, paid a visit to the Oyo State Commissioner for Agriculture and Natural Resources, Mr. Ayo Oyejumu in his office.

•Photograph shows the visitors (right) taking some notes during the visit, while the commissioner (left) looks on.

Accountant, deputy die in robbers' raid

HORROR gripped workers of the Nigerian Rubber Board headquarters in Benin City as four of their colleagues were last Wednesday

Foreign service team visits UST

A TEAM of nineteen newly recruited Foreign Service (Nigerian) Officers, on a one week tour of Rivers State are scheduled to visit the state University of Science and Technology Port Harcourt on Thursday October 29, 1981.

On arrival, they are expected to hold talks with the Vice-Chancellor of the University, Professor E.T. Ibom, on various matters before commencing of various Deans of Faculties, Heads of Departments, Principals of Institutions and their representatives at the university's Conference Hall.

The visitors will also pay a brief visit to the Phase I site at the end of the visit.

From George Kedo

afternoon killed in cold blood by armed robbers.

The four dead victims of the incident are a principal accountant, Mr. O.N. Adenigbe, the accounting assistant grade I, Mr. A.C. Unogwu, a senior motor driver, Mr. Andem Edem and a messenger attached to the principal accountant, Mr. W. Igboineke.

The fifth victim, a driver, Senator Oronode is reported responding to treatment after an operation.

Survivors close to the board's public relations officer said that two armed robbers entered into the premises of the company about 2.15 p.m. when the accounting assistant and the senior driver drove into the premises.

According to the report the robbers which raised the commotion which caused the company's principal accountant, looking for money, walked into the room.

When Senator George Kedo received the news, he immediately sent some of his aides and officers of the board along the main axis of the office and the corridor leading to the entrance entrance.

A report from Benin added that the robbers had escaped before police arrived from a nearby station. There were speculations that the robbers might have stolen the accounts and from Sacke to the office, thinking that he came to collect

salaries for the workers of Sacke.



EDITORIAL

That private airlines bill

WHILE WE COMMEND the National Assembly for its current attention on the deplorable state of our Aviation Industry, we think the efforts of the Honourable legislators should focus on the wider spectrum of Nigeria's entire transportation and communication system.

THERE IS NO DOUBT that the Nigeria Airways is performing below expectation, but so are the National Electric Power Authority (NEPA), the Posts and Telecommunications, (P&T) and the Nigerian Railways Corporation among others.

WE QUITE AGREE that it is hell to fly by Nigeria Airways, but this cannot compare with the ordeal of travelling by land or water in most parts of this country. At this point of Nigeria's develop-

ment, air travel is still an elitist form of transportation used almost exclusively by top business executives and high-ranking government officials. The overwhelming majority of Nigerians still go by land and water.

THAT IS WHY we feel that Nigeria Airways should not be the only public utility in the country whose operations could benefit from private participation. NEPA and P&T definitely would, especially when considered in the light of the current boom in electricity generator sales and lots of mails that fail to arrive at their destination.

TO SINGLE OUT the Airways from other utilities that perform equally poorly gives the unfortunate impression that the privileged few are out again to seek their own comfort rather than cater for

the interest of the masses.

WE THEREFORE urge the legislators not to rush the Nigeria Airways bill but rather to view it in relation to the number of airports and air-bases as well as the inadequate air-traffic equipment and personnel in the country.

IN THE MEANTIME, more attention could be given to the very real dangers of our ultra-modern expressways which make no provisions for cyclists and pedestrians. Nigeria has become a country where bicycles do not contribute appreciably to easing transportation problems because our highways are constructed with utter disregard for pedestrians and cyclists.

A BILL TO ENSURE the safety of pedestrians and cyclists on Nigerian motor-ways would be of more immediate benefit to millions of Nigerians than the current private airlines bill which aims at promoting the comfort of a privileged few and widen the already yawning gap between them and the less privileged.

WE SHOULD TACKLE the air only when we have ensured relative safety for the majority of Nigerians who equally need to move from one part of the country to another but cannot afford air tickets.

APPALLING SITUATION

Government Secondary School, Okolobiri which was established on January 20, 1975 is now appears neglected.

Factors contributing to this situation include gross negligence of the institution by the Ministry of Education and Schools Directorate. It is a pity that the school which has produced three batch of students is today unfit to be classified as a secondary school.

On my way home, I met a staff of the school and we had a chat. I was then made to understand that the school with a population of nearly two thousand five hundred students has only 120

desks and chairs. He further contended that during the last West African School Certificate Examination, because of the insufficiency of the chairs and desks, the junior classes were asked to go back to their villages.

Not only these, the school has no bus for easy transport, I was also made to understand that the staffing position of the school is also poor.

I am appealing through this media to the Ministry of Education and the Schools Directorate to quickly intervene as to avoid the school from collapsing.

KOKU OBIYAI
port Harcourt

APPEAL

In spite of the neglect by the Local Government and State Government in the provision of social amenities, the people of Ombor pay their taxes and rates regularly as others in other places do.

One then wonders where the taxes and rates of these citizens go. How can the tax payers be convinced that taxes and rates are collected for the provision of social amenities including roads when they have not benefited such

amenities.

This community has embarked on its own development programmes but our efforts need support from the state and the local governments.

Because of lack of roads, the people find it difficult to communicate with people of the state. Moreover, the inhabitants are almost farmers and they need to send their food stuffs outside to help people especially at this time of food scarcity.

I therefore appeal to the state and local gov-



HOSPITAL

THE Okwuzi hospital was built during the Spiff regime but has not started to function up till now while others built at the same period have started operation.

The people of Egbema are encountering a lot of medical difficulties. I wonder why the Rivers State Government and Ministry of Health in particular should overlook this.

At least we have been paying our taxes and rates regularly, please know that Egbema in the Rivers State is suffering.

I therefore appeal to the Rivers State Government and Ministry of Health in particular through this medium to look into this matter.

JUSTUS IJEOMA
Mgbode - Egbema

arrangements to give Ombor at least a good road.

BROTHER G. OKPKIRI
Ombor - Ahoadia

GTC AHOADA OR ODIOKU?

Now, could somebody be kind and decent enough to explain why the execution of the expansion programme mapped out for the Government Technical College, Ahoadia is being delayed up till now?

Is it that the contract for the expansion project has not yet been awarded, or have some people decided it might be fun to read a little politics into it even when it is crystal clear that the Ahoadia community does not think it is a funny issue?

The college's sister institutions such as Government Vocational Technical College, Port Harcourt, and Government Technical College Tombia, whose expansion programmes were planned at the same time, have since, had theirs completed or nearing completion.

In fact, it should be known that GTC Ahoadia was established by the former Eastern Nigerian Government and the expansion of the college was in 1978 approved by the Federal Government.

A copy of the survey plan No. A/12, dated 11th July 1978 was forwarded with a letter dated August 14, 1978 to the Ministry of Education, by the Ahoadia community.

The duly surveyed expansion plan was shown to the state government by the community. This writer is therefore surprised that up till now, the ap-

propriate body concerned has not seen it fit to start the expansion work.

As if the delay is not disturbing enough, there is this report that clandestine moves are seriously being made to divert the expansion project to Odioku, a village quite some kilometres away from, not just Ahoadia, but the nearest highway.

It is common knowledge that

25/9/80) that the Ahoadia community had already made known its stand on this issue.

For the sake of peace and unity in Ekpeyeland, this writer calls on those sitting on those the expansion project to get on with it — and at the original site too!

The authorities should take the issue seriously.

Ndukafor Eke
Ahoadia Town

Role of higher institutions

(Continued from page 1)

waste pipes arguing that they should be tied to the development process as powerful mechanisms of investment and consultation.

Such an institution, he further asserted should be the pivot of consultancy services for our development projects which would transfer the much talked about technological know-how to our indigenous manpower.

On staffing, Professor Isoun said the university inherited a good calibre of suitable manpower from the defunct College of Science and

Technology and that more experienced and qualified academic staff have been recruited from all over the world.

He also announced that his university has signed co-operative agreements with some world-famous technological institutions.

The viceroy chief congratulated the Chief Melford Okilo administration for the

foresight in establishing the university and lauded the government for its immense assistance, financially and material-

DEAF PEOPLE ARE
WORKERS. HAVE YOU
ONE?

Plea for public order and safety



MPAKWE URGED TO FULFILL

THE Chairman of the National Party of Nigeria (NPN) Uratta ward, in the Owerri Local Government area of Imo State, Mr. Maxwell Onyekwue has called on the state governor, Chief Sam O. Mbakwe, to fulfill his election promises.

Speaking to newsmen in Owerri, Mr. Onyekwue regretted that all the roads in and around the districts in the state had been turned into what he called death traps, adding that the only access road linking the community with the state capital and passing through the Monier Construction Company (M.C.C.) had been terribly hit by erosion.

He recalled that all the land acquired from the people by the state government, for which no compensation had been paid, had adversely affected the living standard of the people. It was having a telling effect on the inhabitants or villagers who had willingly surrendered their land to the state government in the interest of the nation.

Lack of electricity supply to the area, he said, had deprived the community of big business houses which could help to absorb the jobless, thus easing the biting unemployment situation in Imo State. He alleged that work on the electric poles erected for years now had been abandoned for no just cause.

On road projects, Mr. Onyekwue accused the NPN government of the state of failing to release funds for the contractors to embark on the work, adding that all those are trucks employed by the state administration in robbing the people for a series of bribes.

Mr. Onyekwue, however, disclosed that work had reached advanced stages for the establishment of food processing industry at Umuahia. He said that when the trucks and other vehicles involved in the immediate take-off were lack of rural electricity and water supply in the area.

THE secretary to the Anambra State Government, Mr. C.P. Egbogu has called on the President of Nigeria, Alhaji Shehu Shagari to use his good offices to see, to public order and safety in Anambra State.

At a press conference held in his office, Mr.

Egbogu alleged that the police in Anambra State is being used to serve partisan political interest of a party.

Mr. Egbogu spoke of a plan with the ultimate objective of assassinating, involving ceaseless harassment and distraction of the state Governor, Chief Jim Nwobodo and the Anambra State Government.

Towards the execution of the plan he said, police guards posted to the governor were being manipulated. Guards and escorts were sacked if they appeared to be loyal to Governor Jim Nwobodo, he declared.

Lawful instructions were ignored, he added. Mr. Egbogu said that the state government had made representations to everyone in Lagos in-

cluding the president and demanded specific action, without much result.

He accused the state commissioner of police of being absolutely incapable of either inspiring the confidence or motivating his officers and men. The government scribe stressed that the people of Anambra State would do everything in their power to protect Governor Nwobodo.



MR KIO LAWSON

Provide staff of office for chiefs

AN appeal has been made to the Rivers State Government to provide recognised chiefs in the state with a special staff of office in order to identify the category of chiefs.

The state government was also called upon to recognize the council of chiefs in all the districts in the state.

Making the appeal when the commissioner for local government, Col L.D. Ayah paid a courtesy call on him in his palace at Ekwu, the Ibenanweli of Bomo clan, Chief W.S.I. Igbugburu stated that such council of chiefs should be given official mandate to advice the council on traditional and land matters in the state.

Chief Igbugburu who aided the state government policy on decentralization, pointed out that his people are ready to sink or swim with the Chief Okilo's administration in its efforts to create an egalitarian society for all and sundry in the state.

He said as the clan head, he regard the various units in the Bomo clan as one and called on the people of the district to eschew sectionalism and form a common front to effect rapid development in the area.

In his response, the commissioner talked on the importance of the present administration attaches to the traditional institution and promise to carry the plea to the appropriate quarters.

Legislator expresses reservation on car loan

A member of the Rivers State House of Assembly, Mr. W.H. Kio-Lawson has expressed reservation over the reported interview by the state Commissioner for Finance on the car loan issue.

The interview granted apart correspondents at the Port reported that the state reported Chief C.O. Amet, as saying that while commercial

banks were expected to grant the car loans, the state administration would only stand as guarantor and subsidize with a 4 per cent interest rate.

Contributing to a motion for adjournment, Mr. Kio-Lawson observed that if what was credited to the Finance Commissioner was true, then it would amount to a contradiction of the ruling of both the Arbitration Tribunal and court's decision on the issue.

The legislator therefore called on the commissioner to reconsider the decision in the interest of social well-being of beneficiaries in the state.

He stated that the launching of the wing drew battle line between those who stand for the progress of men and those agents of reaction and operation in the state.

Mrs. Ibrahim therefore urged women in the state to accept the challenge posed on them and come forward to join in the struggle and defend the future of their children.

Governor Somolom Lar also sent a donation of N4,000 on behalf of his government and the NPP in Plateau State.

'Get involved in politics'



GOV. NWOBODO

Women's Wing of the NPP Governor Nwobodo said that women are great power brokers and noted that any political party worth its salt must involve women in all its political affairs.

Chief Nwobodo claimed that NPP would take over the government of the federation come 1983 election, adding that the days and chances of NPP are getting brighter and brighter in the country.

The Governor on behalf of the Anambra State Government

donated the sum of N3,000 as help to the

Kaduna State NPP Women's Wing to foot some of their expenses while Mrs. Mariah Okwor, Special Adviser to the Governor on tourism who led the delegation of seven women donated N1,000 on behalf of the

Anambra State Women's Wing of the NPP.

Earlier in her address, the deputy chairman of the Kaduna State wing, Mrs. Azumi Ibrahim

GOVERNOR Jim Nwobodo of Anambra State has called on women to actively involve themselves in political affairs just like their men counterparts.

Prince Ihedike initiated

PRINCE Christopher Ihedike of Agulu, Egbema in Rivers State was initiated into IGBUU society recently.

Igbu society is one of the oldest traditional institutions in Egbema land. Picture shows Prince Ihedike (center) with sword in hand during round Agulu town after the initiation ceremony.



NEW PROCEDURE FOR FARMERS' LOANS

The Federal Government has introduced a new procedure for granting loans to farmers in the country.

Under the new dispensation announced by the Presidential Assistant in Kaduna State, Mr Tanko Yusuf, River Basin Development Authorities are to secure loans from the agricultural and co-operative bank to be disbursed to farmers.

He stressed however that farmers could still apply directly to the agricultural bank for loans.

The presidential assistant advised farmers to make good use of the opportunity which he said has been functional in Gurgola State.

Mr Yusuf said that the River Basin Authority in the state had already disbursed N5 million got from the bank to farmers.

Chairman wants water for Omuma community

The chairman of the Electricity and Water Supply Committee for Omuma Urban Council in the Ikwere Etche Local Government area, Chief F.N. Eberonwu has urged the state government to come to their aid in the provision of good drinking water.

Speaking to newsmen in his office at Eberu, Chief Eberonwu observed that in the absence of mono pumps, the people have resorted to using contaminated pond water.

He frowned at the situation whereby thickly populated villages are provided with only one mono pump, while others with scanty population have more than one and called on the government to redress the situation.

Another report from Andoni district said contractors handing the clearing of the site for the one hundred low cost housing units at Njo have been called upon to commence work immediately.

The call was made by the chairman of the district housing and town planning committee.

ELECTRICITY MINISTRY PLAYED OVER BLACKOUT

The Rivers State Ministry of Electricity and Water Supply has been accused of neglecting Yenagoa, headquarters of the Yenagoa Local Government area of the state.

Making this known over the weekend during an interview with the Nigerian Tide at Yenagoa, the chairman of the Electricity and

Water Supply Committee, Mr Harold E. Laguna expressed concern over the deplorable condition of Yenagoa.

He said presently Yenagoa has only a 153

KVA engine was supplied the problem of light supply will not be solved and that they attempt to maintain the 153 KVA for Yenagoa is only postponing evil

fortune that a town like Yenagoa has neither water nor light for the people to enjoy.

by Churchill Williams

KVA generator which serve Yenagoa main town, Oronpa and the government quarters.

The chairman pointed out that as a result of the inadequate engine capacity, light was rationed on three hour basis. Mr Laguna said the 153 KVA was over loaded even on the three hour ration and automatically break down.

He said unless a 300

days for Yenagoa.

Chairman Laguna doubted why Yenagoa should not be supplied with adequate capacity generating plant under the decentralization

policy of the state despite his continued appeals to the ministry and described some officials of the ministry as saboteurs of the decentralization policy.

He said it is unfor-



MR FRANCIS ENDELEY
Commissioner for Works

Commissioner to tour Ikwere/ Etche Local Govt

THE state Commissioner for Local Government Chief (Lt Col) L.D. Ayah will visit Ikwere Etche Local Government area on Wednesday, October 28 and Thursday 29, in continuation of his working tour of all the local government areas of the state.

According to a release from the ministry in Port Harcourt, the commissioner is expected to visit Ikaipo, Etche, Eibrida, Umuaturu, Oshin and Eberu district Urban headquarters.

The release indicated that the commissioner would address a joint meeting of functional committees, councilors, coordinators and the community in each local government unit.

It further advised all councils to list their priorities for consideration and approval.

The commissioner had already visited Brass, Degema, Okrika, Oviogbo, Tai Ereme, Yenagoa and Bonny, Local Govern-

ment areas. While at Amassoma in the Yenagoa Local Government, Commissioner Ayah declared that his aim to visit local government areas in the state was to acquaint himself with the problems of the people. He was responding to an address of welcome presented to him by the people of Amassoma-Amatolo Urban Council.

He advised the governor's liaison officer to base with the local government councils in the field of development.

They should jointly executable development projects in their areas of jurisdiction, he urged.

Earlier, in their address of welcome, the Amassoma-Amatolo Urban Council appealed to the commissioner to construct steel jetties at Amassoma and Amatolo to facilitate the landing of boats.



CHIEF (LT COL) AYAH

YOUR STAR TODAY

AQUARIUS

You should make up your mind what it is you want to do. You can get much enjoyment out of what costs very little, or you can indulge yourself and take a chance.

PISCES

You could find that you have to trim your sails a bit at this juncture. It appears that you have bitten off a bit more than you can chew. Never mind what a put aside now can be brought out.

ARIES

Matters related to property or business could make good progress, despite later day worries, and if you can content yourself with slow steady progress you could come through this period.

TAURUS

You could further your personal plans to quite an extent today with the friendship of someone you have not met. Women will be very helpful in all areas of your life.

GEMINI

The emphasis is on partnership affairs, whether this be business or personal. It looks as if you are trying to get things on to a more sound financial footing and discussion with your partner using these line will amount.

CANCER

A most favourable day for top level discussions, meetings and appointments. Don't be nervous of putting your ideas and plans forward for if they are presented in a practical and easily understood manner, they will meet with approval.

LEO

If you are planning to make changes in your career or your personal life, you should think long and hard before doing anything drastic. This is not a good time. This is not a good time to make changes of any description.

VIRGO

Extra responsibility thrust upon you will make you think twice about changing your job. You will begin to enjoy the feeling of power you have been newly given. Financial aspects are good.

LIBRA

Monday morning is not your best time, but today of that is different. You are physically and mentally at your best and people are drawn to your presence.

SCORPIO

Those of you who are involved in the literary profession, education and travelling should have a good day. Profits will be up and there will be ample opportunities for you to make even more.

SAGITTARIUS

Do not allow personal literature to slow before your working commitments today. A lot of good progress can be made, provided you are prepared to keep your nose to the grindstone.

CAPRICORN

A day of many changes in your working surroundings. Important decisions should be made. Changes are bound to work out to your advantage in the long run. Work colleagues will come to you for assistance and you will be able to help.



THE students union of the University of Science and Technology has made a cash donation of N660 to the Old People's Home in Port Harcourt.

Photograph shows Rev Sister Rosaire Enikeke, receiving the money on behalf of the home from the students' representatives.

From proceeds of their Rag Day activities, the students also made donations to other charitable organisations in the state.



Within TEN years we've made many rich men/women in Nigeria

These past ten years, Mercantile Bank has tried to fulfil its role as an economic base, particularly, in the Cross River State. By helping to liberalise the economy, through the encouragement of savings, giving advances, loans and credits, many good businesses have been put afoot and many rich men/women have been made. Now, we've learnt how to gear-up for even more

achievements. With 19 branches, we are in a much better form now to launch into the second decade with hope. We will put the customer first above all other considerations. That way, a better understanding will generate from both sides to the greater benefit of the customer.

Join the Mercantile Bank in the new era and benefit more.



Mercantile Bank

— right in the new era to help

CONSIDER OIL STATES IN REVENUE FORMULA

ECOLOGICAL factors, including oil producing states should be put into consideration while proposing new revenue allocation formula for the nation.

This view was expressed by the Governor of Imo State, Chief Sam O. Mbakwe while exchanging views with the British High Commissioner in Nigeria, Mr T. J. Eversand when he paid him a courtesy call in his office at Owerri.

Chief Mbakwe advocated for a revenue formula which would enable both Federal and State Governments to carry out their constitutional responsibilities.

He described as "outrageous" for the Federal Government to have a lion share of the national revenue and leave the 19 states in the federation with a meagre allocation, claiming that "the proliferation of prestigious projects by the Federal Government" at the expense of the suffering masses would not benefit the common people.

He commended the independent posture of the Nigerian Judiciary on national issues, adding that the nation was desirous of a new revenue allocation formula which would favour equitable distribution

by Valentine Ike

of the national wealth in the interest of all.

The governor deplored the use of land mass as a criterion for sharing the nation's wealth, emphasising that such measure has not been adopted in the allocation of the national

revenue since the history of Nigeria began.

On British trade with Nigeria, Chief Mbakwe reported that British as a former colonist in Nigeria was not playing its expected role in the country and expressed the view that British involvement in the industrial growth of Nigeria, would facilitate business relationship

— MBAKWE

between the two countries. Earlier, Mr Eversand had told the governor of his fascinating stay in the country. He commended the rate of

rapid development programmes going on in the country, including the establishment of industrial projects and roads constructions.

OGISO MARKET WOMEN PROTEST

THE new Ogiso market! Women Traders, Foodstuffs, Scares, Wines recently demonstrated against an alleged allocation of about 48 market stalls to one woman.

They also accused the Oredo Council Chairman, Mr Samson Esemuede of abetting the allocation.

However, Mr Esemuede has denied the allegations.

Photo shows the women demonstrating with their placards inscribed "The rich should not oppress the poor", "Ogiso market is for the public and the people", "Abuse stop allocating Ogiso market stalls to yourself".

Photo by Isaac Tom

Miss Salga beauty contest

"MISS SALGA" beauty contest will take place at Sagbama Town in the Sagbama Local Government area on January 31, 1982.

The executive director of Ebaga Promotions, Mr David Eversand disclosed this to newsmen in his office in Sagbama.

He stated that the contest is to promote the cultural activities of the people in Sagbama. Mr Eversand further stated that the occasion will be under the distinguished chairmanship of the National vice chairman of the National Party of Nigeria (NPN), Prince Gordon C. Buzoro.

He however, stated that the occasion will also feature cultural dances from various places in the Sagbama Local Government area and added that King Robert Ebor and his Izon Brothers Band will entertain guests at the occasion.

Mr Eversand also stated that prizes await winners of first, second and third positions and appealed to interested girls from SALGA South at home and abroad to send their entries before November 31, 1981.

Welfare committee registers disabled

THE Ogba/Egbema District Social Welfare Committee, has registered about 1,500 disabled persons in 35 towns and villages of the district.

The registration exercise was aimed at facilitating the committee's plan to mobilise all disabled persons in the area.

The chairman of the committee, Reverend I. B. Iyewe made this known while addressing social welfare workers in his office at Asaba.

Reverend Iyewe appealed to the people of the area to donate generously to disabled persons, to supplement the efforts of the Rivers State Government to enhance the living standard of the less fortunate ones.

Pastor charged with murder

AN apostle with the Spiritual Kingdom Christ Church Eleniwo, John Eme aged 55 years has been docked before Chief Magistrate R.K. Wudu on a charge of murder.

According to the prosecution, the accused on October 14 this year at the Spiritual Kingdom Christ Eleniwo, Port Harcourt murdered Godluck Amadi by firing him with a locally made pistol.

No plea was taken. Meanwhile, the accused has been remanded in prison custody while hearing has been put off till November 18 this year.

COUNCIL DONATES GENERATOR

THE Abua Local Government Council donated a generator plant worth N25,000 to the Abua community.

It is believed that with the availability of the generator, the community would no more suffer from lack of power.

The council has also spent the sum of N70,000.00 for settlement of parts of debts it inherited from Abacha Local Government, and soon, it will embark on grading of roads, construction of culverts and drainage of Abua market, among other development plans which it hopes to embark on.

I was hired to kill — Witness

A 47-year-old housewife, residing at No. 26 Okwuzo Street Diobu, Mrs. Ambe Bilo appeared before Chief Magistrate H.E. Wudu in Port Harcourt charged with attempt to kill.

The prosecution had alleged that the accused on January 24 this year, at 28 Okwuzo Street Diobu, Port Harcourt attempted to procure commission of criminal act by instructing Charles Kukuibo and Step to shoot with N200 to kill Mr. O. Odunde and also set his car with registration number LAA 512A ablaze.

Accused had earlier denied the charge.

Testifying for the prosecution, Mr. Step Iboma, a stockworker with the Nigerian Ports Authority, Port Harcourt told the court how accused on January 24 this year, came to his house with one of her relatives while he was with three of his friends.

Mr. Iboma said that she accused, then told him that she would like to hire him and his friend Charles Kukuibo at a cost of N200 to kill Mr. O. Odunde the complainant and also burn his house and car.

Witness also confirmed that he accepted an advance of N10K from the accused who promised to complete payment as soon as the deal was accomplished.

He stated that the accused even showed him the house of the complainant and also

pointed at three cars belonging to the complainant which should be set ablaze.

The witness further said that the accused instructed him to also kill all family members of the complainant.

Under cross examination by Mr. Charles Granville defence counsel, witness said he is not

known to be a hired killer and that it was for this reason he reported the hire contract to the police.

For services, including the investigating police officer have testified for the prosecution.

In his submission Mr. C. Granville said the prosecution

had not proved its case against accused because the evidence given was at variance with the charge, adding that the evidence of the prosecution was inconsistent and so urged the court to discharge the accused.

Further hearing has been fixed for October 28 this year.

TV Complex in the making

The foundation stone of the Oyo State Television Complex was laid at Iwo by the Governor, Chief Bola Ige, recently. Photograph shows Chief

Ige performing the ceremony while the Deputy Governor, Chief S.M. Afolabi (left) and other government functionaries look on.



RIVERS STATE

A pawn in the political matrix of the Nigerian society

IN most civilised political economies, political issues are based most often on issues of ideology.

Subordinate issues are a matter of exigencies occasioned by general world diplomatic developments and other vested national pay offs.

Therefore capitalism, socialism and communism have become vogue, being already household phenomena.

In western democracies electoral issues are equally based on proposed plans for income distribution and economic activities.

The question that often emerges during electoral cycles is: "If voted into office, whose income do you and your party intend to cut in the process of solving the economic problems of the nation?"

Conservative-type governments have always dipped their claws in the pie of the working class, whereas labour-orientated governments have spiked investment incomes.

So that civilised economies are serviced by the taxation of incomes.

National debts incurred get liquidated eventually by taxed incomes.

The typical situation in such developed economies seem to be what Thurow termed the "zero-sum society," signifying a society in which one section may derive benefits at the expense of others, however, in the short run. Because, for every short-term winner according to him there has to be a short-term loser.

However, there is no faith or permanency in the turn of fortunes for any side since the electors know when to tilt



Governor Melford Odo

the balance.

Admittedly, there is efficient machinery and monitor of the political state of events in those countries.

On the contrary, the situation in the third world countries with particular reference to black Africa typifies abhorrence for private enterprises but abiding glue to nationalisation and public ownership of economic exploits.

Income derivation in their tends, as a result, to emanate from particular localities and thus the yield results in the often overflooded "National Cake".

The distribution of this national cake have often been conducted in the most mismanaged pattern and evoked political upheavals with serious calamities and casualties.

In Nigeria, the big tripartite tribal political power blocks have since independence,

dominated and directed the course of the distribution of the National Cake.

All the constitutional developments and changes since then have not diffused the status quo.

But all along, the former eastern region has been the loser.

We are living witness of the events and days of cocoa and groundnuts and they paid-off that that accrued to the localities from where the cakes were derived.

The eastern region did not fare well from her coal and palm produce and later from petroleum.

It would appear that it lacked the political muscle to effectively play the game of fair distribution.

Since the regional government did not play fair with all the component ethnic groups that it comprised, it could not secure their willing co-operation.

The result was that it lost vital electoral energies.

The in-road which contemporary political parties made into the region materially watered down the region's balance of negotiation.

It would appear that the surviving operators of the former eastern region have not learnt or researched sufficiently into the primary cause(s) of the change in the circumstance and fortunes of the region.

They continue to show antagonism and organise acts of destabilisation against the new constitutional units that emerged from the region.

And whereas the west and north continue to groom their offsprings giving them counsel and guide the east steps up disaffection and

destabilisation against their former com-patriots.

This is the behaviour that the British government unwittingly placed which continues to inflict deep wounds to its existence.

Certain characteristic styles like the former eastern region, the administration is committing grievous tactical blunders.

It requires to order its administration in such a manner as not to antagonise any section of the state.

by Chief T.A. Idoniboye Odu

It would pay the state better to administer with clear fair play and objectivity.

As of now the state appears to be a mere pawn in the political system of Nigeria being merely a vehicle for conveying and delivering the cake.

This role is not a good role if it must survive and retain its present size. It should desist from begging and pleading and get down to effective political bargaining.

Given the background of our severe neglect together with the fact that a sizeable share of the national income is derived from the state, it would not be unfair to insist that the state should have more and better stake.

Political organisations should no longer take us for easy riders.

To ensure adequate attention, the present administration of the state should conduct a review of the state of progress of the state taking all factors into account.

In undertaking such review we must register the enormous foundation and contribution which the Spill administration made and started.

We must observe that little or no progress we achieved in the period between Spill and at the point of take-off of the present administration. We must then attempt to appraise and quantify progress made since October 1979 with a view to establishing the quantum of such progress and to judge whether the pay-off is fair and reasonable.

We must do this in

order to judge whether our political decision taken in October 1979 was justifiable as far as the term of the present party administration in the state is concerned.

We shall also then determine how to deal with the remainder of the term to run.

We shall also determine what further political alignments and arrangements to make between now and the next electioneering time.

We can not continue to be in the position to tolerate deceipts and double dealings.

This pattern will give us necessary guide in parting with our votes.

The first half of the current term is completed and as we enter the second half we must hold our "caveats" upright.

The second half will be explored seriously by political parties to pave way for potential success towards the 1983 race.

In this period what the electors of the Rivers State may wish to know from prospective office runners and their parties is, "if elected to office, how do they and their parties intend to treat the Rivers State?"

There must be a dedicated resolve to demand and secure result orientated answers for this vital electoral question.

And it would be wiser for the states of the eastern zone to pedal cautiously with acts of injury against themselves.

NAMIBIA

NAMIBIA is situated South West of Africa, lying across Tropic of Capricorn, and bordered on the South and South East by South Africa, on the North by Angola and Zambia and on the East by Botswana.

By 1975 estimate Namibia has a population of 850,000 people with its capital, Windhoek, having a population of 62,000. Namibia has an area of 824,269 square kilometres (318,261 square miles).

Currently, Namibia is under apartheid South African occupation. From 1892-1919, it was under German colonial rule.

Between 1920-1946, Namibia was placed under South African administration as a League of Nations C mandate.

It was under United Nations Trusteeship since 1964 before South African's occupation.

The main mineral resources of Namibia are Diamond, lead, zinc, copper, vanadium, manganese and tin. Namibia's official languages are Afrikaans and English.

Other major languages include German, Dambo, Herero, Damara and

Kavango. The major political parties in Namibia include South West Africa Coloured People's Organization (SWAPO), founded in 1959; National Democratic Organization (NDO), and the most popular one, South West Africa People's Organization (SWAPO) which was founded in 1958. The President of SWAPO is Sam Nujoma.

The earliest known inhabitants of Namibia were the Khoisan, made up of the San (the so-called Bushmen) and the Hottentots. The largest ethnic group in Namibia is the Ovambo.

Diogo Cao, a Portuguese navigator was the first to reach Namibia in 1485. In 1795, an Englishman, captain Alexander, hoisted the British flag on the coast even though the action was not supported by the British government.

It was a German, by name, Kurt Von Francois who transferred the capital from Otjimbingue to Windhoek. German occupation of Namibia was resisted by the indigenous people.

In 1893, for example, Chief Hendrix Witbooi led a revolt against the Germans who retaliated by attacking his village,



Deputy Governor Frank Ede

YOUTH CORPS AND THE NIGERIAN BRAIN DRAIN

where the private Nigerian student here and the Nigerian government scholar.

Therefore the two groups share a common feeling of bitterness.

The common hinge of this bitterness is the thought of going to a government that did not care for their welfare, one whose vote in the name of Youth Corps Service when they return home after graduation.

For a better perspective on how the tens of thousands of Nigerian students here are made up, here is some detailed information.

The bulk of the nation of one of them who died earlier this year said that the deceased had one wife and four children in Nigeria.

This writer knows, on a personal basis, two students whose daughters are also in universities here in Texas.

There is a former bank manager here. Generally speaking, it would be safe to surmise that Nigerian students married and having children outnumber the singles.

It is important to bring up these facts in relief because they bear heavily on the student's bitterness with the idea of Youth Corps.

The idea paramount in the mind of the Nigerian student here is to get

through with his studies, come home and prove to his family that his sojourn in the U.S. has been worth it.

He therefore feels that to give another twelve months in Youth Corps is unthinkable.

This thought is worsened by the fact that as a student put it, "The government hasn't set me a kobo these four years."

by
Bapakaye Dibi

A graduate student who tried to be more analytic of the idea said, "What is Youth Corps about? To get Nigerians from one culture to appreciate other cultures, respect so-called manual labour and work in remote areas to see conditions outside the city for themselves."

Final! But why not pay these Nigerians a decent wage and provide them a fitting accommodation?

Another student thought, "To make only graduates do the so-called Youth Corps is an act of discrimination. It is a suggestion that to be a graduate is an offence."

This student suggested that every Nigerian of voting age, whether literate or not, should be made to serve in the Youth Corps.

I pointed out that

there would be the problem of enforcement.

This student said, "Demand Youth Corps certificates in all cases where tax certificates are being asked for now and the problem of enforcement would be solved."

I said there would be an unwieldy Youth Corps and another student interrupted saying if the Corps becomes overpopulated limit membership to those whose education is financed wholly or partly by government.

This latter student cannot stand the idea of twelve months of "floating around" when he should get a decent job and accommodation to help his wife of the suffering she has been going through these three years washing dishes in restaurants to see him through school. He is not returning home!

It is incredible to think of Nigerian students who have voiced the resolve not to return home. It is not wholly in protest against Youth Corps alone, but Youth Corps would appear to be an important element.

Funny enough it is the younger students whose education is

wholly or partly financed by government that seem to decide not to return.

They arrive in the U.S. single and it is easier for them to marry Americans and become permanent residents. Among these younger ones, the argument against Youth Corps is that it is meaningless.

One of them said to me, if Youth Corps trains men militarily so that Nigeria would have an abundant reserve of men to call upon in the event of war, it would make sense."

Otherwise, bupkis! In sum, the attitude of Nigerian students here in Texas, toward Youth Corps, was as returning home on graduation is conditioned by four factors.

The married student wants to prove his new worth to his family immediately on returning home. Youth Corps would be more meaningful and therefore more tolerable if members are paid decent salaries and given fitting accommodation.

If these conditions are impossible, Youth Corps should not be made to discriminate, as it were, against the graduate and it should consider military training.

Youth Corpers doing the march-past.

sinterness
Nigerian
leaves, a
much it
did sink
goats.
riss are
this bit.
Nigerian
private
scholarship
e funds
had ex-
am expe-
fficult to
between
ormies.
e com-
or which
mature
is the
th Corps
urn to
small
ve is, "I

The so-called government scholar is a little younger, about twenty-five, on the average, he would be single.

Before now, he was a true student at school and no work, fairly comfortable financially. He would be happier than the private student.

At the moment, the difference is only in the hope that some day the government would clear the middle over scholarship funds and he would be happy as before.

Meanwhile, while he waits (and it seems indefinite for some) he works just as the private student does.

A good many of them get married to Americans for some benefits which have no place in this article.

Thus there is really not much difference bet-

EDOM TO KNOCK ON NATIONALISTS DOOR

administration till 1919. After the war, the newly created League of Nations was given the responsibility of looking after former German colonies. Namibia, then known as South West Africa, was designated a C-mandate territory on December 2, 1920. The tragic irony of Namibia was that, under the terms of the Treaty of Versailles, it was entrusted to South Africa which administered as an integral part of the Union of South

Africa. It was not an official mandatory for South Africa to assume complete sovereignty over Namibia.

It only gave South Africa the right to administer Namibia, with the aim of promoting to the utmost the moral well-being and social progress of the inhabitants of the country.

At the end of the second World War, the League of Nations was dissolved and the United Nations Organization (UNO) established in 1946, with all its members, except South Africa, placing their mandatory territories under UN trusteeship.

South Africa organized a referendum among South African chiefs the result of which they presented at the first session of UN General Assembly in 1946 demanding Namibia's incorporation into the Union of South Africa.

Only Britain among UN member States supported the demand. South Africa refused the UN's request to place Namibia under UN's protection.

In 1949, the South African Parliament passed a law which virtually

incorporated South West Africa (Namibia) into the Union of South Africa as one of its provinces. With the law, white settlers in Namibia were given the right of representation in South African parliament.

South Africa stopped sending to the United Nations the annual reports on its administration of Namibia. The laws on apartheid from South Africa were also introduced into Namibia. Namibians could only move about in their country, find employment or strike only by obtaining permits and passes.

In 1950, the International Court of Justice at the Hague ruled that South Africa was under no obligation to place Namibia under a United Nations trusteeship but as an obligation, South Africa, should submit reports on its administration of Namibia to the United Nations. South Africa refused but instead by courtesy, was willing to submit its reports to Britain, United States and France, her allies.

Namibia has ever since been under the reign of apartheid South Africa. So many stories of woe

have been written about the maltreatment of blacks by the whites in Namibia. On December 10, 1959, for example, the police opened fire on a meeting, killing and wounding on over 60 Namibians. December 10, 1959 was the United Nations Human Rights Declaration Day!

South Africa is bent on ruling Namibia. UN General Assembly actually voted in June 1968 to refer to South West Africa as Namibia. On March 20, 1969 the United Nations Security Council called on South Africa to withdraw its administration from Namibia in a vote of 13 to nil and two abstentions. South Africa refused.

On July 19, 1970, the United Nations Security Council requested at the International Court of Justice for an advisory opinion on legal consequences of the continued presence of South Africa in Namibia. In its ruling in 1971, the International Court of Justice at Hague said that South Africa's presence in Namibia was illegal.

The then South African Prime Minister, Mr. Balthazar Johannes

Vorster rejected the court's opinion.

On December 11, 1973, the UN Security Council recognized SWAPO as the original representatives of the people of Namibia. South Africa buys about 50% of Namibia's exports and provides about 80% of Namibia's imports.

It is apparent that freedom is now knocking at Namibia's door.

All things being equal, Namibia should be independent by the middle of next year.

At the recent heads of government meeting in Melbourne, Australia, the President, Shereu Shagari urged that other heads of government of the Commonwealth to accept Namibia's independence by the middle of next year. It was a clear and unequivocal stipulation. Let it be.



South African PM P. W. Botha



SWAPO leader Sam Nujoma

The passing of Sadat

TERRORISM IS AS OLD AS MANKIND

THE eyes of the world turned to Cairo, Egypt, when terrorism struck at the life of that country's ultra-modern political head.

The assassination of President Anwar Sadat, a custodian of peace and stability in that part of the world, significantly opened another chapter in the history of terrorism.

Assassination is a question asked by Vice President George Bush during his visit to Egypt.

George Bush asked "What type of world are we living in?" The news of the tragic incident in Egypt quickly freshened my memory of this question.

And my initial reply to it is that we live in a world of terrorism.

We live right next door to terrorism. It is as old as man himself.

What is going on in our contemporary world — the shooting of Presidents, public figures, political stalwarts, popes, etc. — merely appears to be an escalation of terrorism which dates as far back in history as the biblical times.

A retrospective look at our past — from biblical times through the medieval ages to modern times — might after all tell us that terrorism is as old as mankind.

Can his brother and blood brother would spare the Jew? The Jew, the Egyptian, the Christian, the Jew, was subjected to her acts of barbarism and inhumanity that culminated in his crucifixion by the Jews, St. Stephen, the

first of the martyrs, was publicly stoned to death. These were acts of terrorism.

In ancient Roman empire, Romans and their emperors needed to be entertained by consciously designed acts of terrorism.

They sat comfortably and complacently in their auditoriums to watch war captives fight unarmed with wild animals — tigers, lions, bulls, etc.

To the Romans and emperors, it was fun to watch hungry wild animals devour human beings. And they built

unending as the horizon, hijacking of airplanes, racist killings in South Africa, the killing of black children in Atlanta, Georgia in the United States, seizure and torture of embassy officers who should have diplomatic protection anywhere in the world.

In sports, terrorism appears to be an event in which spectators become athletes after the games have been won on one hand and lost on the other.

Acts of terrorism in sports have resulted to unfair burning and destruction of vehicles,

Washington theatre and shot the president in the head, April 14, 1865.

And on July 2, 1881, Charles J. Guiteau, a radical member of the ruling Republican party,

by Chris Ogbonda

travelling behind President James Garfield as he strolled along a Washington, D.C. railroad station.

He fired pistol shots at the president, who died about two months later.

Franklin D. Roosevelt was shot in Miami, Florida, February 15, 1933, by Giuseppe Zangara, who blamed capitalists for his stomach pain.

The president escaped harm, but Chicago Mayor, Anton Cermak, was killed in the assassination attempt.

Twenty seven years

guards. Seventeen days later in San Francisco, California, the president escaped a second murder attempt championed by a political activist.

Interestingly enough, however, the two assassination attempts were carried out by women.

The list of victims of terrorism is so long that making a rollcall would

If I were a president, I would fasten my nations' security belt. That will be one way I will counter terrorism. President Sadat may not have done this. But the world will remember him for one thing: he fought for peace in the Middle East and he died for it.

later, precisely on November 1, 1950, two Puerto Rican terrorists — Oscar Collezo and Griselio Torresola struck.

Although their attempts to hit directly at the target, President Harry S. Truman, ended in a fiasco, a guard was killed when the terrorists tried to shoot their way into Blair House, Truman's temporary house in D.C.

What horrified the world most at the increasing wave of terrorism was probably the rifle fire which mortally wounded John F. Kennedy in a Dallas, Texas motorcade on November 22, 1963.

Other presidents who embraced the horrifying cold winds of terrorism were Gerald Ford and Ronald Reagan. Ford first escaped harm on September 5, 1975 in Sacramento, California at a timely intervention of vigilante presidential

be an odious task. But we might recall the attempt on the lives of Pope John Paul II and the Queen of England earlier this year.

We might also recall Robert Kennedy, one-time United States attorney-general; Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., civil rights leader and noble peace prize winner; John Lennon, rock music idol; victims of bloody military coups in Africa and other developing nations, etc., etc.

The wave of terrorism has assumed increased dimensions today in the world.

If I were a president, I would fasten my nations' security belt.

That will be one way I will counter terrorism.

President Sadat may not have done this.

But the world will remember him for one thing: he fought for peace in the Middle East and he died for it.



Terrorism in action in the Middle East

arenas for this type of entertainment.

What happened to the Jews in the Nazi German reign of terror, when Adolf Hitler operationalized his vicious intent of exterminating the Jewish race? It was terrorism.

The list of acts of terrorism appears to be as

killings of athletes, sportsmen and officials.

The 1972 Olympic Games in Munich, West Germany witnessed the murder of eleven Israeli athletes by terrorists. I mention but one example.

In many parts of the world, attempts on the lives of presidents are very frequent.

The United States has gotten the longer end of the stick in this respect. On January 30, 1836, Richard Lawrence, a psychotic, aimed pistol shots at President Andrew Jackson.

Although the president escaped unhurt, that incident remarkably opened the first chapter of terrorist acts aimed at presidents in the country.

Abraham Lincoln became the first United States president to die in this new direction of terrorism when John Wilkes Booth, an actor who favoured the South in the American civil war, entered an unguarded box at a

President William McKinley was another victim of an act of terrorism.

He died eight days after he had been shot at the chest and stomach by an anarchist, Leon F. Czolgosz, at the Pan American Exposition in Buffalo, New York, on September 6, 1901.

Although the assassin was electrocuted to death at an Auburn, New York State prison, that cold blooded murder significantly lengthened the list of prominent victims of acts of terrorism in our contemporary world.

Eleven years later, terrorism struck once more at the presidential door. While campaigning for another term, Theodore Roosevelt was shot twice by John N. Shrank on October 14, 1912.

And although it had become clear that terrorist acts were assuming increased dimensions in the country at the time, the world was shocked with consternation when President



NEW PRESIDENT ANWAR SADAT



New Egyptian President Sadat

We're staging it in a big way
1st Imo

International Trade Fair

25th Jan. - 3rd Feb. 1982



VENUE: New multi-million Naira
SPORTS STADIUM, Owerri.

BOOK OR RETURN YOUR COMPLETED FORMS AT ANY OF
THE FOLLOWING CENTRES DETAILED BELOW

OWERRI:

Mr E.E. Owerri
Secretary, Trade Fair Committee
Ministry of Trade & Industries
Trade Centre, OWERRI

ABA:

Asst. Chief Commissioner
Ministry of Trade & Industries
Trade Centre, ABA

ANAMBRA:

Ministry of Trade & Commerce
ENUGU

LAGOS:

Law Firm Lagos Office
Plot 408, Axis - Adeniji St.
P.M.B. 2107, Victoria Island
Tel: 45221, 44175, LAGOS

LAGOS:

Chief Advertising International Ltd.
21 Odele St. E/F (Hwy) Tel: 12276, LAGOS

OWERRI:
Chairman of Commerce/Chief
Advertising International Ltd.
118 Douglas Rd., P.O. Box 104,
OWERRI



A CHALLENGE TO THE FUTURE

Give your cooking that special taste and flavour

Artal pure vegetable oil is the surest way
to give your cooking a big boost.

By using Artal to fry your foods you will
retain all the natural food flavour.
And that means improved taste.

Use Artal vegetable cooking oil



Wholesale enquiries to:
Arabian Technical
Agencies Limited

108, Berger St. (West), Lagos Telephone: 652465
1A, Mumukshu Junction, Abu Road, Port Harcourt



(Price ₦4.50 per tin)



GLOSS - ₦10.92
EMULSION - ₦8.76

She values economy
She chooses
Super Star
paints for her home

Living, in today's world of rising costs means
acquiring the virtue of economy. And part of
living in a decent home within the limits of
your wallet means using the right paint —
Super Star. With only a few brush strokes that
cover much more, Super Star Paints will
beautify your home.

Enhance your value for economy.
Choose Super Star Paints.
Real Paints for home beauty.

BERGER

-the Paintmakers

Berger Paints Nigeria Limited



Change of Name

WALL — I, formerly known, called and addressed as Miss Rosemary Kinkarawa Wall, now wish to be known called and addressed as Mrs. Rosemary Kinkarawa Silva. All documents bearing my former name remain valid. Rivers State Ministry of Health, Health Management Board, the General Hospital, Port Harcourt and in general public, should please take note. Mrs. Rosemary K. Silva.

OGUOKO — I, formerly known, called and addressed as Miss Ebikatele Oguoko, now wish to be called and addressed as Mrs. Ebikatele Babbe Itele. All documents bearing my former name remain valid. Abia State District Council and the general public should please take note. Ebikatele Babbe Itele.

BARISERE — I, formerly known, called and addressed as Barisere Awa, now wish to be known, called and addressed as Davidson Barisere Nimah. All documents bearing my former name remain valid. The Ministry of Education, Government Teachers Training College Omuoku and the general public should please take note. Davidson B. Nimah.

Distributors Wanted

Required immediately by a reputable marketing Company based in Port Harcourt, experienced distributors with good financial background in Anambra, Cross River, Imo and Rivers States of Nigeria, to market the following high quality products: Pure Ibadan Salad Oil, Lita Powdered Milk, Granulated Sugar, 50 kg. Instant Insect kill, et. Salt, Brandy, Deluxe Toilet Rolls, Electric pressure Iron (Colaba Brand), Vitamins, Instant Drink (Impressa Brand), Cornflakes, and biscuits.

Interested Organizations or individuals should forward applications to:

The Marketing Manager
Xanders Ventures Limited
16 Ikwerre Road,
P. O. Box 1835,
Port Harcourt.
Telephone: 335627.

VACANCY

STENO-TYPIST

An International Oil Marketing Company has vacancy for a young dynamic male or female Steno-Typist.

Qualifications: W.A.S.C. or G.C.E. Oils and plus 80/25 words a minute in short hand and typing respectively.

Experience: At least one year working experience.

Remuneration: Very attractive and negotiable.

Interested candidates should send applications in their own handwriting with details of age, qualifications and experience to:

The District Manager,
P. O. Box 80,
21, Aba Road,
Port Harcourt.

To reach here not later than 4th November 1981. Short listed candidates will be interviewed.

IN MEMORIAM

In cherished memory of my dearly beloved husband and father.



LT. WATSON APUTU
Aged 35 years

who died on the 26th of October, 1979. Daring two years have passed like a dream. You are sadly missed and fondly remembered to day and always.

May your soul continue to guide and guard us. — Amen.

Fondly Remembered By

Mrs. Celestina I. Watson-Aputu — wife
Master Timi Watson-Aputu — son

for the family.

RIVERS STATE SCHOOL OF BASIC STUDIES P.M.B. 5936 PORT HARCOURT

TENDER

Tenders are invited for the sale of the following used vehicle:

**MERCEDES BENZ (56 SEATERS)
(NO. RV 3386 PB)**

1. The vehicle could be inspected at the Rumuola Campus of the school during working hours. Inspection should be completed in one (1) week, counting from the date of publication.
2. Tenders should be forwarded in sealed envelopes marked "VEH/156/81", to the registrar to reach him not later than one (1) week after inspection of vehicle.

A. E. NWALA,
for Registrar

VACANCY

Wanted urgently experienced male and female sales Representatives. Interested applicants must submit applications with credentials personally to Marketing Manager, Xanders Ventures Limited, 16 Ikwerre Road, Port Harcourt. Telephone: 335627.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that the invoices below are missing.

INVOICE	NUMBER
Invoice	052
"	053
"	055
"	056
"	058
"	059

Any body who transacts any business with invoices mentioned above does so at his or her own responsibility.

Government Secondary School, Nyor-Khama Babbe Bolga please note.

MANAGEMENT
Cenjems Group Inc.,
P. O. Box 9318,
Enugu.

Eleme has no Electricity Supply — Dr Ngochindo

Eleme above all places deserves direct NEPA Electricity supply, by the principles of derivation.

The first Nigeria Refinery is situated in Eleme, yet Eleme is in darkness.

A heart-stricken radio announcement by the chairman of water and electricity supply committee, Eleme urban to this effect that Eleme has light is false.

I am appealing to him and the Coordinating Committee to show their plans to the people. Please the Federal and State Government should come to aid Eleme.

We shall send an S.O.S. to Chief Okiro and President Shagari immediately.



DR C. E. M. NGOCHINDO

RIVERS STATE NEWSPAPER CORPORATION

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform all sales agents of the Rivers State Newspaper Corporation, that on no account should sales be paid to anybody who may present his or herself unless such a person presents a letter of authority, identity card and official receipt of the Corporation. Any agent transacting business or paying sales of newspapers to such unauthorised persons does so at his or her own risk.

MANAGEMENT

Soon to house owners

Any one who intends to sell his or her own property with genuine documents and whose properties are located within the Old Port Harcourt City and Borikiri areas should contact:-

**THE ADVERTISER,
P. O. BOX 3766,
PORT HARCOURT**

for immediate negotiation.

No middlemen would be entertained.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public and the peoples of Akunanyi House of Bonny, at home and abroad, that the Executive Committee of the Hart's Major House of Bonny, after deep consideration and consultation with and approval by the Chiefs of the Hart's Group of Houses - Abbey Hart House, Ezekiel Hart House and Abraham Hart House and in exercise of their Traditional Duties as the King-Making-Body, has been pleased to select and appoint Mr. Athenesius Kalada Hart (A. K. Hart) as Chief-elect to fill the vacant stool of the Hart's Major House, left vacant by the death of late Chief Emmanuel Ikoli Josiah Hart, who died in June 1979.

The date and time for the formal House installation of the incumbent as Chief-elect of Hart's Major House, will be announced in due course.

Attest
 SECRETARY, HART'S MAJOR HOUSE OF BONNY
 (SIGNED AND SEALED BY OFFICIALS)
 HART'S MAJOR HOUSE AND HART'S GROUP OF HOUSES
 BUNNY
 DATE: 26 OCTOBER 1981

UNIVERSAL

Mackerel in tomato sauce
 the nourishing fish food for
 every home *Now easily available to our*
 Eastern Customers

Distributed by:

UNIVERSAL

ASSOCIATES
 CO. LTD.

Plot 120
 Trade Area
 Industrial Layout
 P. O. Box 3390
 Port-Harcourt
 Tel: 330038



M & G MOTORS LTD

For motor marketing



Contact us at

**PLOT 8 TRANS AMADI INDUSTRIAL LAYOUT
P.O. BOX 983
PORT HARCOURT**

TONY UDUIMOH GRABS HARP TROPHY AGAIN

TONY Uduimoh of Benin Golf Club has emerged the winner of the 1981 Harp Pro-Am Gold Championship recently sponsored by Guinness (Nigeria) Limited at Benin Golf Club.

He has thus won the cup for three consecutive years and four times out of seven that the competition has been held.

He scored 137 gross for 36 holes, over two days, and bagged the first prize of N1,000 plus the giant Harp Trophy.

Presenting the Trophy on behalf of Mr. Nigel Salmon, the Managing Director of Guinness (Nigeria) Limited, Mr. Keith Pickering, the general manager of Benin Brewery and a director of Guinness said among other things, 'Golf is, after all, a game

to be enjoyed even if we sometimes lose sight of this fact when things are not going well, or the pressure is on the Harp Pro-Am provides a forum both for fine Golf and for the renewal of old friendship'.

Pictured left is Tony receiving the trophy from Mr. Keith Pickering.



World cup: Action body set up for Eagles

ACTION Committee has been set up to coordinate the Green Eagles next match of the world cup (Africa Zone) competition against the Algeria national team on October 30.

This followed the request of the pillar of sports in Africa, Chief M.K.O. Abiola, who appealed to the sports writers association of Nigeria (SWAN) to mobilise man support for the Green Eagles in

Algeria. Members of the committee are Mr. S.B. Oshuntolu, who is the SWAN president and the vice president of the African Sports Journalists Union (ASJU) as chairman and Alhaji Yunusa Aven, secretary. Others are the principal public relations officer of the National Sports Commission (NSC) Mr. Ajibade Hashina Thomas senior public relations officer of the commission Mr. Adeoye Mabio, the general manager of the Concord Press of Nigeria Limited, Mr. Y.A. Akeosanya, Mr. Olajide Bank, a member of the N.T.A., Deacon George Osho and the two members of the Nigerian Football Supporters Club, Mr. Ernest Okunwo of the FRCN

and a representative of the News Agency of Nigeria (NAN).

Chief Abiola, who is also the patron of SWAN, told Nigerian sports writers to remind Nigerians that the Green Eagles team was the only national soccer team the country had, stressing that hope was not lost yet.

He assured that they would subsidise the air fare to Algeria by 5% for any Nigerian wishing to travel to Algeria to cheer the Eagles to victory. He added that he would personally be in the chartered plane to Algeria on October 30.

The deadline for payment is on Monday, October 26, 1981 and all payments which should be in cash should be paid to Alhaji Ake Ake of the N.S.C. Press Centre, Suleja.

AAAN PROPOSES N.1m BUDGET FOR 1982

AMATEUR Athletics Association of Nigeria (AAAN) has proposed a total budget of 166,470 naira as its capital and recurrent expenditure for the period of September 1981, to August 1982.

The capital budget which includes: expenses of secretariat, office furniture, purchases of vehicles, office equipment, totalled to 73,450 naira which the recurrent expenditure total was 92,020 naira.

For its programme of activities in that period, the AAAN hopes to spend about 72,250 naira.

According to the estimates given by the association, the marathon, throws hurdle and relays scheduled for Abokkula between November 13-14 would cost the association 20,000 naira.

The National Senior Cross Country, at Ikorin on November 28, 14,000 naira, middle and long distance, coaching course, November 1-7, 16,000 naira, jumps events coaching course, Calabar, 10,000 naira.

Others are the Olympic summer coaching programme, 10,000 naira, Senior Inter-State relays and hurdles, 16,000 naira, regional relays and hurdle for juniors, 36,000 naira, technical officials course, 4,600 naira, Primary Schools championships, 23,000 naira, Primary Schools national championships which include prizes 46,000 naira. The senior regional championships has a vote of 54,000 naira regional finals 16,000

naira, 36th All-Nigeria senior (open) championships, full council meeting of AAAN, 27,000 naira, three week camp for potential athletes, 35,000 naira, ECOWAS friendly athletics competition, 45,000 naira, International invitational contest, 50,000 naira.

Overseas athletics competition tour, 58,750 naira, the highest vote of 100,000 naira was for training equipment and kits while competition equipment and kits is tabbed for 82,000 naira, Welfare and scholarship scheme, 10,000 naira.



IWARIMIE DIRI

KADUNA State has emerged the winner of the 1981 Kaduna State Six-A Side Cricket Competition concluded at the Tafawa Balewa Square Cricket Oval last weekend.

They beat Oyo State by one run in a final keenly contested. Final scores were Kaduna State 65 runs in 10 overs and two wickets while Oyo State made 61 runs in 10 overs and five wickets.

The winners also won a trophy donated by Na-

Enyimba supporters attack Sharks after defeat

IWARIMIE Diri, Sharks goalkeeper is now nursing a serious injury he received from Irate Aba fans when his team defeated the current

rent Imo State challenge champions - Enyimba Football Club of Aba - in a friendly football match played last Sunday at the Aba Township Stadium.

Narrating his sad experience to TIDESPORTS Mr. Diri said he smelt rat when after the match last trooped to Raymond

Quarcoopome who kept the goal for Sharks and asked him why he did not allow a goal. He said as he pulled Raymond from the surging crowd he was daggered on his

right wrist.

The Sharks team is now demanding an apology from either the Imo State Sports Coun-

cil or Enyimba Football Club before the return leg in Port Harcourt.

Picture shows Mr. Diri pondering on how he escaped death from 'Abangwa' fans.

Nsu club donates trophy to schools

THE Nsu National Club of Nigeria has donated a N1,000 worth of silver trophy for football competition among Primary Schools in the Nsu area, Imo State.

Speaking at the presentation ceremony at the premises of the Teachers Training College (T.T.C.) Nsu recently, the president of the club Mr. Joseph Dunja declared that the club was donating the cup to encourage healthy football

competition among primary schools in the area. He further said that the club would redeem the cup annually with one hundred naira and tennis racket.

Earlier in his own address on the occasion the general secretary, Mr. Benni Igboke disclosed that the club was 'a social, cultural and non-political body, aimed at peace, sports and progress'. He said that the club which started with only members has had phenomenal increase to over 500, including registered members, and intended the donation to the high schools and primary schools of the club.

Receiving the giant trophy on behalf of all Primary Schools in the Nsu, Mr. C. O. Okeke, the Nsu P.M.C. and chairman of the Nsu P.M.C. and chairman of the Nsu P.M.C.

He said that the club was 'a social, cultural and non-political body, aimed at peace, sports and progress'. He said that the club which started with only members has had phenomenal increase to over 500, including registered members, and intended the donation to the high schools and primary schools of the club.

Receiving the giant trophy on behalf of all Primary Schools in the Nsu, Mr. C. O. Okeke, the Nsu P.M.C. and chairman of the Nsu P.M.C. and chairman of the Nsu P.M.C.

He said that the club was 'a social, cultural and non-political body, aimed at peace, sports and progress'. He said that the club which started with only members has had phenomenal increase to over 500, including registered members, and intended the donation to the high schools and primary schools of the club.

Kaduna State is cricket champ

national electric power Authority (NEPA).

Kaduna were the first to bat with Skipper Pat Eronmi and Mike Avivor opening but Avivor was clean bowled in the first over by the Jide Bademosi making only two runs before returning to the pavilion.

However, Eronmi who was the hero and match winner, stayed in piling up runs before retiring with 27 runs the highest, to his credit. He, apart from setting a wicket, reduced the runs

average of Oyo with his last two overs.

Eyes who was not out also reached the double figure of 25 runs to boost the total runs of Kaduna.

Oyo later came in hoping to make the runs in no time but this was shattered by tight fielding of the winners. Adeleye was the first to go when he was run out for only nine runs.

Then came in Jide Bademosi who made six runs before being bowled by Braide. After the wickets started fall-

ing one after the other with Sola Odeleke next to go when he was caught by eyes near the boundary and Amosun run-out by Eronmi in his bid to make runs.

Larry Imosika who made 20 runs not out was the most outstanding batsman in the Oyo State team.

For this competition, the country was divided into four zones with only two zones sending their zonal champions. Lagos State did not take part in the competition.

Monday, October 26, 1981

X-Ray of problems in Nigerian wharves

THE port manager of the Rivers Ports complex, Mr Okon Abia-Bassey has made known some of the factors responsible for the nation's interminable ports congestion.

In a paper he presented at a meeting of the Nigerian section of the Chartered Institute of Transport held in Port

for the present ports problems.

The port manager observed that the under-utilisation of Nigerian experts in the ports services was also a contributory factor, adding that the environmental disparity has continued to render ineffective, efforts of foreign experts to remedy the situation.

Harcourt, Mr Abia-Bassey noted that lack of adequate scientific study of facilities, coupled with insufficient assessment of the growing capacity of Lagos were some of the factors responsible

He spoke of massive importation of goods which he said has dangerously exceeded the handling capacity of the nation's ports and has consequently

brought pressure on the facilities available, thereby leaving behind piles of uncleried imported cargoes.

It was in an attempt to contain this unprogressive situation, he continued, that the

Federal Government embarked on massive ports development programme in 1977, with the successful execution of the

N80 million third wharf extension, the N190 million Tin-can Island port, the N88 million new Calabar port and

the N88 million new Warri port.

Also under that programme, were the lighter terminal at Onne and the Federal Ocean Terminal

DOCKERS RESUME WORK

NORMAL Port services resumed on Friday at the Port Harcourt wharf following the resumption of duty by striking dock workers.

The dock workers had embarked on industrial action last Wednesday in protest against the decision of their union officials to deduct four per cent of their wages as dues.

Their return was sequel to a "go-back-to-work" order issued to them by the state wing of the Dock Workers Union of Nigeria (DUN).

Addressing a press conference on Friday on the strike action, the eastern zonal chairman of the union, Mr Eugene Owanvile condemned the action of the dock workers and described the strike action as illegal.

The union boss observed that the workers embarked on their action without the consent of the union, an action he said, was totally at variance with the principles of trade unionism.

He warned against a repetition of such action, adding that the alleged deduction was still in principle and had not yet been implemented.

Mr Owanvile called for responsible trade unionism and urged the members of his union to always seek redress through constitutional means.

When contacted, the dock superintendent in-charge of operations at the wharf was unavailable for comment on the possible effects of the strike action on the services at the port.

A Tide reporter who was at the port on Friday, said that activities had returned to normal as importers, exporters and other port users were busy transacting their businesses.



CHIEF L. O. AYIAN
Commissioner for Local Govt

AN EXPERT'S VIEW

in the Rivers State adding that though the battle against ports congestion has not been totally won it has not either been lost.

Mr Abia-Bassey spoke of the valuable roles the Transport Institute could play in the elimination of ports congestion and noted that his department has benefitted immensely from the institute's programmes.



ALHAJI ISMAILA GWARZO
Rivers State Police boss

Robbery suspects

Continued from Page 1
numbers painted in taxi colour.

A competent police source in Port Harcourt, said that the arrested persons were suspected to be members of a gang of robbers who raided No. 29 Aggrey Road, 84 Creek Road and 81 Victoria Street all in the municipality and removed

large quantities of cash and personal properties.

It was however reliably gathered that some of the suspects had earlier participated in other crimes including sea piracy and car-snatching which the police are already said to be investigating.

The news of the arrested suspects whose names are still being withheld by the police was said to have attracted public interest as people rushed down to the station to have a glimpse of the men.

The police said the suspects, have already made useful statements.

Chief Superintendent of Police, Moore O. Ngalo who confirmed the story, told the Nigerian Tide that with the arrest of the suspects, city inhabitants could now enjoy some period of peace and assured that they would be charged to court, as soon as investigations were completed.



Mr Abia-Bassey (standing) reads his address at the meeting.

Local govt panel wages war on fraud

THE Rivers State Local Government Service Commission has adopted drastic measures aimed at bringing to an end the frequent incidents of frauds and other official malpractices allegedly rife in some local government councils in the state.

Meanwhile, an implementation task force from the commission, led by one of its commissioners, Mr C.D. Clement has begun the first lap of its assignment, with a visit to Yenagoa Local Government area, where personal identification exercise of the entire staff is now in progress.

fraud

Addressing secretaries and treasurers, Mr Clement noted that it was a matter for deep regret that the commission had to resort to the on-the-spot checks.

He stated, that in spite of the huge funds allocated to the councils, fraud and other forms of official corruption have persistently undermined the very objective for which the allocations were made.

The commissioner reminded them of the grave consequences of

fraud and warned that those involved in the practice should now desist in their own interest, adding that the current action was aimed at cleaning the system and instilling probity among the rank and file of staff.

Mr Clement spoke of the great concern, the unhealthy situation was causing his department and hoped that the current cleaning exercise would flush out all unreliable elements in the system.

The commissioner declared, "we can no longer sit on the fence, longer few unscrupulous opportunists who came

into the service for their own personal aggrandisement, continue to tarnish the image of the administration; the sense of public accountability must now be our watchword."

The identification parade he informed them, was a state-wide exercise and would be accompanied with scrupulous study of the various accounting records of all the councils.

Other members of the task force include Chief William Ebi, Mr E.O.C. Obele and the secretary to the commission, Mr O. I. Ogburn.