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Carpet-crossing by politicians no longer allowed



● Brigadier Shehu Yar'Adua, Chief of Staff, Supreme Headquarters

THERE will be no room for carpet-crossing after next year's general elections, the Chief of Staff, Supreme Military Headquarters Brigadier Shehu Musa Yar'Adua, has said in Lagos.

The Chief of Staff told journalists at Dodan Barracks that past experience had shown that non-party candidates had a means of crossing to one political party or the other once they secured elections into the legislature.

For that reason, no independent candidate would contest the 1979 parliamentary elections next year. Brigadier Yar'Adua believed that a single individual who had no faith in others was unlikely to achieve much.

An enabling decree known as Decree 73 and dated December 29, 1977, to effect the ban has been promulgated in Lagos along the lines of the recommendations in the draft constitution which says: "Any member of a legislature who joins another party should lose his seat in the legislature provided that this rule would not apply to the president or the speaker.

"A member who was an independent at the election shall not be permitted to join a party represented in the legislative house during the lifetime of the legislature."

Restriction

Only political parties shall be permitted to canvas for candidates or make financial contributions to the funds of a party during the general elections.

The decree defines "association" as any body of persons, corporate or incorporate, who agree to act for any common purpose.

This includes an association formed for any ethnic, social, cultural, occupational or religious purpose.

The decree provides that any association which contravenes its provisions shall be guilty of an offence and its leaders shall be severally liable to conviction or to a fine of ₦5,000.

Furthermore, no association by whatever so called shall function as a political party if it is not registered as such by the Federal Electoral Commission.

Also, no party shall be allowed to organise and or maintain any para-military thugs, etc to be employed for the use or display of physical force or coercion in promoting objective or interest.

Other provisions of the decree are:

Any persons who incites or acts in a disorderly manner during a political party meeting during next year's elections shall be imprisoned for 12 months.

Any person found with any offensive weapon after the date for elections had been announced shall also go to jail for 12 months.

Any person found with more than one registration card shall pay a fine of ₦200 or go to jail for one year or both.



● Chief Michael Ani, Chairman, FEDECO

Train seat costs man his life

AN unidentified middle-aged man who boarded a sub-urban train from Aba to Umuahia died to death at the Umuahia Railway Station following a dagger wound inflicted on him by an unknown assailant over the weekend.

A report said the man had a scuffle with another passenger at Umoba railway station over a seat in the train.

As the hot argument developed into a fight, the assailant, now at large pulled a sharp dagger and inflicted several wounds on the body of his rival.

The irate man was said to have disappeared into the train.

The deceased who died from Umoba to Umuahia later died. His body was removed to the public mortuary for post-mortem.

Confirming the story, the divisional police officer for Umuahia, Mr Kaninu Yaubu, said the police had moved in to track down the assailant.

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Parents' aid sought for schools

THE principal of Abam High School, Ozu-Abam in the Arochukwu/Ohafia local government area of Imo State, Mr C. Onyeneke has reminded parents, Board of Governors and the community of their responsibilities in the smooth administration of educational institutions in their area.

From Bob Usim

Addressing a joint meeting of the board of governors and the parents-teachers' association of the school, Mr Onyeneke stressed the need for the people to embark on fund raising activities for the provision of essential infrastructures in the school.

He announced various measures the school authority had taken to maintain discipline among the students of the institution. The principal said the students were cooperating in the implementation of the measures.

Mr Onyeneke expressed gratitude to the Imo State government for providing N5,000 for some of the schools immediate needs.

It is now up to the parents to compliment government efforts by contributing financially towards the overall development of their school, the principal said.

Thanking the government and the principal, the chairman of the board of governors, Mr A. Nkele assured the principal that they would live up to expectation.

More than N626.60 was realised at the end of the meeting in aid of the school.

Gifts for old peoples home

THE wife of the Bendel State commissioner for Information, Social Development and Sports, Mrs Rose Omu visited Old People's Home and Orphanage Homes in Benin, Irrua, Sapele, Asaba and Warri.

Here Mrs Omu (third from left) presents gifts to Rev Sister Angela (right) in charge of Old People's House in Benin City, while others look on.



Radio station on fire

THE new studio of the Anambra Broadcasting Corporation popularly known as ABC I, has temporarily gone out of use.

Our correspondent gathered that sections of the studio which is situated at the Independent Layout Radio/TV complex were destroyed during an outbreak of fire there.

The ABC I now transmits broadcast from its transmitter cubicle at Ngwo hill top near Enugu.

There are conflicting reports about the cause of the fire, but one report said it was bush fire.

Mr Boniface Ofokaja, the director general of the Radio was not available for clarification.

The ABC I and ABC II radio stations, it would be recalled, was commissioned in the middle of last month by Governor Atom Kpera of Anambra State.

Grants go to progressive communities

Communities and cultural organisations in the Bende Local Government area of Imo State Have been urged to be involved in the state's rural development programmes.

Making the call at Igbere while performing the opening of a three kilometre road constructed by the Eziama/Igbere Development Union the chairman of Bende Local Government council, Mr G. O. Ibeji reiterated government's policy to assist any community on which embarked on viable projects.

He commended the people of Eziama/Igbere for their self-help efforts and promised that his council would give them every encouragement and assistance to enable them prosecute more projects.

Mr Ibeji advised the community to initiate other projects to enable them earn government subvention.

Earlier, the president of the union, Mr F. O. Ukaogo had said that the opening of the new road would ease communication problems in the area.

He said the community planned to embark on another project estimated at N24,000.

He called for government assistance to enable them complete the project on schedule.

More than N4,500 was raised on the spot in support of the new project.

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PROMOTION OF CULTURE URGED

CULTURAL organisers in local government areas of the Rivers State have been called upon to show more interest in the promotion of arts and culture of the people.

The call was made at Ahoada by the acting zonal cultural officer in-charge of Ahoada district, Mr Emmanuel Owor, at a meeting with cultural organisers in the district.

He appealed to them to always document local festivals, traditional dances essential displays and cultural activities of the area.

45 join UAC management

In pursuance of its Nigerianisation policy, UAC of Nigeria Limited has promoted 45 Nigerians to full management status.

This is one of the largest number of promotions in the company's history.

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With the promotions the total number of Nigerians in UAC management positions now stands at over 600.

Nigerians account for over 89.8 per cent of the total management cadre of UAC employees.

EDITORIAL

Wrongdoing must be punished

ON WHAT moral or ethical grounds can officials who had been found guilty of wrongdoing by an administrative board of inquiry be granted pardon and recalled to the public service? Are stealing and fraud generally less criminal when committed by senior civil servants who were in positions of advantage? Must we now sacrifice what we know to be right in favour of some easy advantage? The immorality of such a course of action is manifestly beyond question.

ACCORDING to the Daily Star, the Anambra State Ministry of Agriculture and Natural Resources has "exonerated" all the officers and other civil servants of varying grades who were found guilty of fraudulent practices by a board of inquiry headed by a judge of the high court, merely on the ground that their removal had been criticised and also because the guilty officers had pleaded innocent. Is it being suggested that those armed robbers executed by firing squad should have been 'pardoned' when they swore that they were innocent? Is it now the case that any accused person who pleads not guilty before the courts should be deemed to be so and acquitted? To be sure, a close examination of this course of action — a course of action that is even wrong to consider — may reveal that something is wrong somewhere.

SUCH a course is the parent of forgery, thefts and malversation of public money in this country, and should not be seen as being condoned in any circumstances whatsoever. Right and wrong should not be allowed to coexist. What is wrong is wrong no matter by whom it is committed, and the mere act of contemplating 'exonerating' persons who were adiudged corrupt and polluted by a board chaired by a judge of our high courts is nothing but pernicious.

THE 1975 purge exercises, we must remind the Anambra State government, were not carried out for the fun of seeing others suffer. The exercises were seen as compelling in view of the high tide of dishonesty, immorality, fiscal frauds and other rascalities that had been built into the body-politic of the Nigerian society.

ON REFLECTION, it now seems that the measures adopted by the government were not stern enough. It would now appear that the mere act of dismissal or premature retirement did not create enough impact on a society that has come to accept roguery not as an evil but as a mark of intelligence.

BUT THIS must not be. Nigerians must reject a system that enthrones vice over virtue as evil and unjust. The guilty officers must be left to suffer the consequences of their wrongdoings. So, away with the fraudulent crowd. That is the only way by which justice can be satisfied.

Don't fail to register for the 1979 general elections. it is your opportunity to elect leaders of your choice.

INVOLVE TEACHERS IN MANAGEMENT COURSES

The recent emphasis on productivity and efficiency in the civil service by the Federal Military Government, has prompted all state governments to embark upon training programmes for their civil servants in different grades.

The primary aim of organising such training programmes is the development of the academic professional potentialities of officers in preparation for higher responsibilities in their chosen career. Since the inception of such training programmes a lot of civil servants of both junior and senior cadres have participated in such programmes which are periodically organised by management consultants.

Our principals and senior masters of post-primary institutions in the Rivers State should be encouraged to take part in management development courses. Since indiscipline is the talk of this era, principals and senior teachers if allowed to participate, could utilise most of the management techniques learnt and apply them to curb indiscipline in our post-primary institutions. Secondly, it is also an attempt to produce over a period, a core of highly specialised and motivated teachers who will help to make the teaching career more attractive.

The Rivers State Government should also make it a policy that principals are made to attend such training programmes before they are promoted. This is important because the government should at least evaluate such training programmes and appraise the effects of such training on individual principals.

Now that management techniques are being applied in all organisations, let our principals and teachers also apply such techniques in our educational institutions. The only way to learn these techniques is by allowing them to attend management development centres.

D. W. PEREBO

Yola.

Bophuthatswana: Artificial State?

BOPHUTHATSWANA one of the nine tribal homelands of South Africa gained what was called independence from the Pretoria government last month with Chief Lucas Mangope as the first President.

This was in line with the apartheid regime's long-range survival plan for South African whites with the policy of separate development which calls for dividing the country's 18 million blacks and four million whites into ten states, nine for blacks and one for whites.

The white state will encompass over 80 per cent of South Africa's territory including all the major cities.

The independence of Bophuthatswana brings to two of such tribal homelands that have already gained "autonomy" from the apartheid regime (Transkei gained "autonomy" in 1976 with Chief Kaiser Matanzima as the PM's strong man). Bophuthatswana has since been recognised by only two countries in the world notably South Africa and Transkei (only these countries attended the independence celebration).

The entire Bophuthatswana according to reports, consist of seven patches of territory scattered from the North Western Transvaal to the Orange Free State. It has a population of two million people and over 70 ethnic groups mostly subtribes of the Bantu.

The farcical state is slightly strong economically with elements such as Vanadium, chromium and manganese. Of course the exploitation of these resources will be determined by no other country than the Pretoria government. Above all, the new so-called independent state will be financially dependent on Pretoria which will also advise on diplomatic and defence affairs.

Already in his independence speech, President Lucas Mangope vowed that his territory will not become a base for black militant activities or anti — South African terrorists.

This explains the true worth of the new state.

IFALIBO BOTOYE

Abonnema

WE NEED BUSES

I hail the Rivers State Government for her humanitarian work to reduce people's sufferings with regards to transport services throughout the state.

Every year the state government provides fund for purchasing of transport facilities such as boats, etc. Some of these buses were deployed to serve the state capital. But gradually, all these buses have disappeared.

It surprises me to see how people suffer everyday at bus stops because of lack of transport services. There are cases of fighting and scrambling everyday at bus stops. Workers who are meant to report for duty at 7.30 a.m. wait at bus stops until 9.30 a.m. daily.

I am appealing to the Rivers State Transport Corporation to look into this before it is too late.

DANDY WOSU

Port Harcourt.

Discipline & Student Relations

IT has been the discussion of the day all over the country that junior students in post-primary schools are being maltreated by their senior contemporaries. I must not fail to say that it is mainly such criticism against the attitude of the senior students that encourage the junior ones to become rude to their seniors. Hence indiscipline is created in schools.

A nineteen-year-old form I student may decide to insult a sixteen year old form V student due to the reason that he is older than the latter. When the junior student is told to perform a certain punishment (not a corporal punishment) he refuses it.

To my surprise such a matter is not looked into on the grounds that the junior student may be a relation to a tutor or a favourite. But on the other hand, the form V student might be a prefect appointed by the school authorities. In this case the prefect is frustrated.

There is also another case where the junior student, when given a minor punishment cries as if murder had been committed. This sometimes results in the suspension of the senior student.

It is therefore my appeal to all concerned to treat every student equally, so as to maintain general discipline in schools.

C. T. ORUTTEMEKA

Ikaka

PUBLIC OPINION FORUM

UNFOUNDED

On December, 28, 1977, the Nigerian Tide carried a front page embarrassing story, that the Brewery faced a bleak future.

It should not have been necessary to write this rejoinder, or to refute this unfounded story but for the false impression created by it that a bleak future faced the Brewery.

We would like to state that even with the anticipated changing over of some staff to the sister Premier Breweries at Onitsha the manpower requirement of the Golden Guinea Brewery has not been affected in any adverse way.

We do not intend to enter into dialogue nor do we wish to contest the authenticity of the article but it is necessary for two sides of a story to be heard before dissemination.

It has alway been our desire to maintain good relationship with the press. It will not be in our interest, however, to allow any further embarrassing statement purported to have been given by the Brewery's management or through any other source.

Theft attempt at Pan Bank foiled

From Kenneth Gold

A MAN'S attempt to use a stolen cheque to withdraw N1,000 from the Pan African Bank Limited in Lagos has failed.

The man whose name the police is withholding walked into the bank along Martins Street and handed it over for payment. The leaf was from a stolen cheque book.

Luck ran against the man after the owner of the stolen cheque booklet had reported to the bank when it was lifted from his pocket at Oyigbo bus stop.

The cashier who had noted the number of the stolen cheque signalled the security officer of the bank, who arrested him.

After a search on him, the stolen cheque booklet was recovered.

N30,000 SCHEME LAUNCHED IN OKPOSI

A TOTAL of N10, 761.00 was collected on the spot when the Okposi community in Ogbaf/Egbema district of Ahoada local government area launched the first phase of their N30,000 fouryear development at Okposi.

Speaking on the occasion, a spokesman of the Okposi Community Development Association, Mr C. Nwaibara, urged the people to include the building of a modern market, town hall, and the provision of water supply in the town, in the envisaged programme.

Also speaking at the launching, the chairman Dr Nwalinso Wokocha praised the effort of the community and urged all citizens of Okposi to donate generously towards the fund.

He drew their attention to the fact that by such effort to improve the area, government would be encouraged to assist the community.

Seven nabbed

SEVEN persons are now in police net while 144 cartons of assorted brand of beer have been confiscated by the police in Enugu.

The people now helping the police in their investigations were apprehended for allegedly selling beer without liquor licence at the Enugu relief market.

The arrests were effected, following a tip off to the police through their confidential postal system, P.M. A22, according to the police public relations department.

A search was conducted at their various stores in the relief market, where the haul was made.

According to police, the beer found in the operation, were made up of 36 cartons of Star beer, 64 cartons and 36 cans of Tennant beer, 24 cartons of Harp beer, 11 cartons of Long Life can beers, six cartons small Stout, 2 cartons of Champion beer, and one carton large Stout.

Taxi drivers call off bluff

LAGOS city dwellers had a first taste of 1978 from taxi transport operators when they called off their vehicles from the roads in protest against a government decision to have meters mounted on the taxis.

The measure is scheduled to come into effect on April 1, this year.

Although taxis are now back on Lagos routes, their operators have indicated continuing opposition to government measures.

Observers see the stand of taxi owners as a bluff which could be called off by banning private transporters from operating within city limits.

They pointed out that this is the situation in most civilised countries where government had seen the provision of adequate transport facilities as a social service.

They also point to the Udoji Commission where government was urged to provide needed transport for workers before embarking on a five day working week.

Here, obviously satisfied with a backlog of profits, the taxis of Lagos are parked idly only to be returned to the streets the following day.



BISHOP WANTS ALL TO BE HONEST

THE administrator of the Anglican Diocese of Warri, Chief Joseph O. Agadagbo has said that the main ingredients that can exalt the nation and sustain its stability are to be found in the practical demonstration of sincerity and honesty of purpose by both the governments and the governed.

"Sincerity and honesty are the main attributes of a good government under which the people of this nation, whether as an individual or as a group can thrive", the administrator stressed.

The administrator who was delivering his new year message at Otoro in Isoko local government area said that when people built their foundation on genuine examples of sincerity and honesty, peace and progress were bound to flourish.

He advised that the present government and Nigerians should reassure the nation, by practical examples, removing all acts of ambiguity, suspicion and confusion, jealousy and greed.

Protein food insufficient

THERE is indication of marked deficit in the daily per-capita intake of animal protein in Nigeria, while supply projections have clearly demonstrated that the past and current tempo of livestock development cannot satisfy future needs.

Col John Atom Kpera, Military Governor of Anambra State, made this observation in his address to the conference of the National Livestock Development Committee in Enugu.

In the address, delivered on his behalf by the Anambra State Commissioner for Agriculture and National Resources, Mr James Nkoli Aboke, the governor told the conference that they had a challenging but exciting task of finding the solution to the problems to provide the much needed animal protein in the country.

He referred to the recent animal feed crisis, which reached its height last September and pointed out that this had caused a lot of havoc, eroded farmers profits while also inducing unprecedented and dramatic increase in consumer prices.

Governor Kpera deplored the running of feed mills in Imo and Anambra States at low production capacity while there was acute need for the feeds, this he attributed to the failure to harness and exploit all available raw materials.

Col Kpera listed efforts of his government towards increasing livestock centres, a training school for the low level manpower for effective livestock service. He said that the production of turkey, pig, rabbit, sheep and goat had been geared up.

Governor Kpera then urged the participants to ensure that they made realistic recommendations that would, if implemented, improve the supply of animal protein in the country.

In his brief address, the chairman of the committee, Dr Inuwa Muhammad, called on the federal and state governments to subsidize livestock schemes, just as the agricultural schemes were subsidized by the governments.

He stressed the need for adequate animal protein for the nation.

ABONNEMA PORT TO ENJOY PRIORITY

—Magoro

ABONNEMA port in the Rivers State is one of the areas to be given priority consideraton in the next national development programme.

This was stated on Thursday by the Federal Commissioner for Transport, Colonel M. Magoro, during a visit to the port.

Colonel Magoro, who was replying to an address of welcome by the chiefs of the town, said the Federal Military Government had received several petitions on behalf of Abonnema Port, but because of the current massive programme in the country, it was not possible to include Abonnema in the current development plan.

The commissioner said he would not make promises on the issue, but his visit to Abonnema was to appraise the situation so as to guide the government in its plan.

On the Hovercraft service recently introduced to Abonnema and Port Harcourt, Colonel Magoro said the Federal Government had a duty to come to the assistance of the states, and urged the people of Abonnema to make the maximum use of the craft.

Politics after 1960

Earlier, in an address of welcome on behalf of the chiefs and people of Abonnema, Chief J. O. Briggs had expressed gratitude to the commissioner for his visit.

He traced the history of Abonnema Port, how busy it was up till 1959 in the shipment of palm oil, palm kernel, and added that the activities of the port were crippled by politics after 1960.

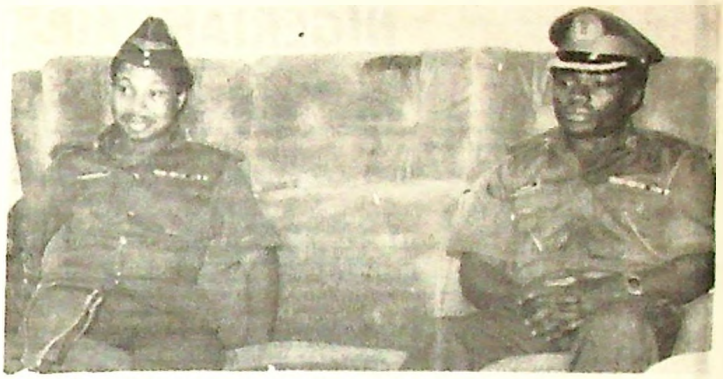
"We crave your indulgence to reactivate the port", Chief Briggs declared.

Other elders present at the reception were the Amayanabo of Abonnema, Chief C. I. G. Bob-Manuel, Chief A. B. Briggs, Chief Vincent Black Duke, Chief O. A. Akpama, Chief W. T. Jack and Chief Gibson Ada Duke.

At Bonny, the commissioner inspected the Nigerian Ports Authority Harbour Office and the installations of the National Oil and Chemical Marketing Company.

Yesterday, the commissioner visited the Onne Lighter Terminal under construction, Okrika jetty, the Port Harcourt wharf and dockyard. He also called on the Rivers State Military Governor, Col Zamani Lekwot.

He is accompanied on his visit by the general manager of the Nigerian Ports Authority, Alhaji Bamanga Tukur, the assistant general manager for engineering services, Mr Adeoye Fowora, and the chief public relations officer, Mr Nath Onyeukwu.



Picture shows Col Magoro (left) exchanging views with Governor Lekwot (right) at Government House, Port Harcourt

Why govt projects are held up

SURVEY works for several major state and Federal Government projects in the Rivers State have grounded, following the hostile and uncooperative attitude of certain communities whose lands had been acquired for these projects, the state's Commissioner for Lands and Survey, Mr David Ikpoki alarmed yesterday.

Affected are the sites for the state's new proposed stadium, highway maintenance programme and the Nigerian National Oil Corporation's jetty.

Others are the Second Brigade Headquarters and the Trans-Amadi Industrial Estate Phase II.

Addressing members of the Port Harcourt City Council following what he described as a big threat to government development programmes, the commissioner noted that in these areas, government surveyors were either chased away by the communities or survey beacons removed.

Mr Ikpoki decried the attitude of these landlords and reminded them that it was the right of the government to acquire land for development purposes.

He, however, noted that the state government had been considerate in its land acquisition and that adequate compensation had always been paid to owners of such lands.

The attitude of these landlords, he said, was causing great concern to the state government as most of its development projects earmarked could not be carried out.

He appealed to the members of the City Council to use their good offices to ensure that these communities change their attitude.

The government, Mr Ikpoki warned, might be forced to use stern measures against any community found obstructing the smooth execution of government projects.

He described the action of these landlords as acts of sabotage and urged them to desist from them in their own interest.

Mr Ikpoki expressed the determination of the state government to ensure that its development programmes were carried out undisturbed.

The state government, he said, would not surrender to any blackmail or allow the interest of a few people to override the development needs and the progress of the people.

198 FIRE INCIDENTS RECORDED IN RIVERS

A total of 198 fire incidents was reported in different parts of the Rivers State during the past twelve months.

Also, property estimated at the cost of N474,143 were lost in these fire disasters.

In an exclusive interview with the Nigerian Tide at the state fire service headquarters, the chief officer, Mr N. B. Korobo, said that out of the 198 fires, four people died and five injured.

He noted that there was an increase of 30 per cent over that of 1976 which was 153.

He observed that though the fires were satisfactorily put out, difficulties were encountered by his firemen. He attributed this to inadequate water supply caused by poor hydrants and the heavy traffic jam in the city.

The existing one fire station serving the entire state could work effectively, he added.

Mr Korobo stated that there were 173 actual fire calls, 10 rescue calls, four special services and 11 false calls during the period under review.

He attributed 65 per cent of the fires to what he described as electrical short circuit, wrong wiring, inadequate attention to electrical appliances when in use.

Others were caused by careless use of match sticks, welding, deliberate burning of bushes, over heating of vehicles and, improper use of candles.

He warned that a situation where the fire service depended entirely on the hydrants installed at the fire station and water carried by fire engines for fire-fighting operations could be more dangerous if it was not improved.

JAKPA DUE PH Jan 12

THE Administrator of the Nigerian Railway Corporation, Dr Patrick Jakpa will pay a five-day official visit to Port Harcourt beginning from January 12 to 16.

On arrival at the airport he will address members of the press at 10.30 a.m.

Education task force

A meeting of the 10-member Rivers State Implementation Task Force for the National Policy on Education was inaugurated at the conference hall of the Rivers State Ministry of Education recently.

Presided over by the Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Education, Captain Elechi Amadi, the meeting discussed Nigeria's philosophy of education which is based on the integration of the individual with a sound and effective citizen and equal opportunities for all citizens of the nation at the primary, secondary and tertiary levels both inside and outside the formal school system.

The Chairman of the Federal Implementation Committee on the National Policy on Education, Professor S. D. Onabolumo accompanied by three members of his Committee would pay a two-day visit to the Rivers State on January 17 to exchange views with the State Implementation Task Force.

They will return to Lagos on Thursday, January 19, 1978.

RECRUITMENT OF TRADESMEN INTO THE NIGERIAN AIR FORCE

1. The Nigerian Air Force invites able-bodied Nigerians to report for recruitment into the Nigerian Air Force as Tradesmen on Wednesday 18 January 1978 at places stated below:-

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b. AKURE — " " "
c. BAUCHI — " " "
d. BENIN — Nigerian Air Force Base
e. CALABAR — Military Governor's Office
f. ENUGU — Air Defence Headquarters NAF
g. IBADAN — Military Governor's Office
h. ILORIN — " " "
j. JOS — " " "
k. KADUNA — Ground Training Group NAF
m. KANO — Flying Training Group NAF
n. LAGOS — Air Transport Group NAF Ikeja
o. MAIDUGURI — Military Governor's Office
p. MAKURDI — Air Defence Wing, NAF
q. MINNA — Military Governor's Office
r. OWERRI — " " "
s. PORT HARCOURT — Ground Training Wing NAF
t. SOKOTO — Military Governor's Office
u. YOLA — " " "

TRADES AND QUALIFICATIONS

2. **ENGINEERING AND WORKS**

a. *AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE:*
Electronics/Radio, Fitter Machinist, Auto-electricians Auto Mechanic, Industrial Electrician and Instrument Technicians.

b. *VEHICLE AND MARINE CRAFT MAINTENANCE:*
Auto-mechanic, Auto-electrician, Marine mechanic. Spray Sign Writers, Vulcanizers, Welders (Gas and Electric), Panel Beaters, Upholsterers.

c. *WORKS:*
(1) **Building Section:** Builders, Carpenters, Masons, Plumbers, Domestic, Electricians, Painters Interior Decorators and Office Machine Repairman.
(2) Refrigeration and Air Condition Technicians
(3) Draftsman
(4) Surveyors
(5) Generator Technicians
(6) **Plant Machinery Operators:**
Tractor/Crane Operators
Graders
Rollers — Drivers Operators
Excavators
Drilling Machine

d. **Qualifications for Engineering and Works Trades:**
Applicants for engineering and works trades as listed in para 2a, 2b, and 2c must possess at least Govt. Class IV Certificate with one or more of the following:—
(1) Government Technical School with Trade Test Certificate
(2) City and Guild Intermediate/Final Trade Test Certificate
(3) Diploma from any of the Government or recognised College of Technology
(4) Any other equivalent qualifications.

3. **PARAMEDICALS:** (Female candidates will also be considered)
a. LABORATORY TECHNICIANS
b. HYGIENE ASSISTANTS
c. LABORATORY TECHNOLOGISTS
d. DISPENSERS
e. PHYSIOTHERAPISTS
f. **Qualifications for para-medicals:**
(1) Candidates for 3a should possess GCE 'O' Level with passes in the following subjects:—
(a) English Language
(b) Mathematics
(c) One Science Subject
(2) Candidates for 3b should possess GCE 'O' Level with passes in the following subjects:—
(a) English Language
(b) Mathematics, or a Science Subject.
(3) Candidates for 3c should possess GCE 'O' Level in the following subjects:—
(a) English Language
(b) Mathematics and any two of the following:—
Physics, Chemistry, Biology, Botany, General Science I, General Science II, Human Anatomy and Zoology.
(4) Candidates for 3d should possess GCE 'O' Level in the following subjects:—
(a) English Language
(b) Mathematics and any two of the following:—
Physics, Chemistry, Biology, Botany, General Science I, General Science II, Human Anatomy and Zoology.
(5) Candidates for 3e should possess GCE 'O' Level in 5 subjects which include the following subjects:—
(a) English Language
(b) Mathematics
(c) Three Science subjects.

4. **ADMINISTRATION:**
a. SECRETARY TYPISTS
b. STENOGRAPHERS
c. TYPISTS
d. CLERKS
e. **Qualifications:**
(1) Candidates for 4a must possess the following:—
(a) WASC or its equivalent
(b) RSA, FTC or Polytechnic Certificate of 100/50 w.p.m. in Shorthand and Typing
(2) Candidates for 4b must possess the following:—
(a) WASC or Govt. Class IV (S.75)
(b) RSA, FTC or Polytechnic Certificates of 80/35 w.p.m. in Shorthand and Typing.
(3) Candidates for 4c must possess Govt. Class IV (S 75) plus RSA Certificate in Typing of 25/35 w.p.m.
(4) Candidates for 4d must possess a minimum qualification of Govt. Class IV (S.75).

5. **SUPPLYMEN:**
a. STOREMEN
b. ACCOUNTS CLERKS
c. **Qualifications:** Candidates for the above posts must possess the following:—
(1) WASC/GCE 'O' Level (with passes in Mathematics, Accounts and Commerce)
(2) RSA Stage II Accounts, Storekeeping, English and Commerce
(3) Store-Keeping Certificate from Institute of Purchasing and Supplies.

6. **GRAPHIC ARTISTS ASSISTANT:**
a. **Qualifications:** Candidates for the above posts must possess any of the following qualifications listed in (1) — (3) below:—
(1) Trade Test Certificate
(2) ONC/OND or Diploma in Graphic or General Art
(3) Evidence of competency in Graphic or General Art
(4) Basic education of Govt. Class IV (S.75).

7. **JUNIOR REPORTERS:**
a. **Qualifications:** Candidates for these posts should be holders of the following qualifications:—
(1) WASC or Govt. Class IV
(2) Evidence of professional competence and in-service training with a reputable Newspaper/Radio or Television

8. **REGIMENT PERSONNEL:**
a. Qualifications: Educational requirement for the above post is Govt. Class IV (S.75).

9. **AIR TRAFFIC SERVICES AND SIGNALS:**
a. RADIO TECHNICIANS
b. TELEPHONE TECHNICIANS
c. AERIAL RIGGERS
d. MET TECHNICIANS
e. MET FORECASTERS
f. MET OBSERVERS
g. **Qualifications:**
(1) Minimum of Class IV (S. 75).
(2) Proficiency Trade Certificate

10. **OTHER ARTISANS:**
a. COBBLERS
b. TAILORS
c. OTHERS
d. **Qualifications:**
(1) Primary Six or Class Seven Certificate
(2) Relevant Trade Test Certificate

11. **GENERAL:**
a. Candidates who have previously applied should report for enlistment at their respective State recruitment centres for selection. All applicants must bring the following documents along with them:—
(1) Original and three photo copies each of educational and trade certificates.
(2) Original and three photo copies of birth or age declaration certificates.
(3) Three passport size photographs.
(4) A testimonial confirming the State of Origin from Village Head, Local Authority, Divisional Council or Military Governor's Office.
b. **Age Limit and Height:**

All candidates must be between 17 and 30 years of age must not be less than 1.68m (5' 6") in height.

BUSY DAY FOR MAGORO IN PH



The Federal Commissioner for Transport, Col Mohammed Magoro left for Lagos on Saturday after a two-day official visit to Port Harcourt. Here, the Commissioner is seen addressing security guards of the Nigerian Ports Authority.



Col Magoro also visited the Nigerian Petroleum Refinery Company (NPRC). Here, he chats with the refinery manager. On the commissioner's right is Alhaji Tukur the NPA general manager.



Here, Col Magoro inspects the damage section of the Okrika jetty.



The Commissioner (slightly covered) sees how fuel is loaded into trains at the refinery.



Col Magoro (second from right) chats with Mr Agoro, Port Harcourt Port Manager at a cocktail party held at the Hotel Olympia.



At Onne, the commissioner was received by the Manager of construction company handling the new ports complex project.

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THE term 'ideology' has become generic in the Behavioural Sciences. There are for instance, political ideologies, religious ideologies, bourgeoisie ideologies, proletarian ideologies, communist ideologies and many more any one with the verve of imagination can coin. The temptation to give a specific or a wide-embracing definition of this multi-dimensional academic concept can be irresistible; sometimes one starts off with the intention of defining and ends up in explaining. It is a complex phenomenon.

Hegelianism or Marxian-Leninism postures may not help. What one has to do therefore, is to adopt a less rigid approach; for we are in an area of abstraction which is essentially philosophic which makes room for empirical realities. Thus we cannot divorce some measure of definition from the concept of ideology in this case definition and explanation will go hand-in-hand, one will not be sacrificed for the other. What then does an IDEOLOGY as a political socio-philosophic concept try to do, one may ask?

A meaningful approach I think is to reflect on it as a quest for the 'IDEAL', a postulate and a frame of reference which will help to illumine a dark path of inquiry towards the solution of legions of problems confronting the nation. Because of its multi-disciplinary nature a social analyst is constantly reminded of his interrelatedness.

David Apter says that ideology "refers to more than a doctrine. It links particular actions and mundane practices with a wider set of meanings and, by doing so, lends a more honourable and dignified complexion to social conduct ..... From another vantage point, ideology may be viewed as a cloak for shaby motives and appearances. The more generous version lays emphasis on the behaviour individuals in a setting of action-in-relation-to-principle."

And he went on to observe that ideology is more often than not connected with an individual's moral convictions and not unusually revolutionary in its content and temper; with a vision and commitment to change the status quo. On political ideology Apter takes a positive stand.

Political ideology is an application of particular moral prescriptions to collectivities. Any ideology can become political. Hegelianism became the "ideological justification for the Prussian state. Marxism-Leninism is the "ideology" of communist presumed relationship between higher human consciousness and more evolved intellectual and moral leap forward; by virtue of his superior knowledge his view ought to prevail.

In the restive spirit of the inquiring mind a social system that has lost its dynamism therefore resistant to change inevitably calls for the charismatic innovator. A new concept of philosophy for the society is born; new myths are created, new ideas (they may be all uopian) are evolved to enhance in the practical realm the vague and sometimes nebulous as well, the ideological pronouncements. Group identity and collective awareness of the social imperatives

"A paper read at the Newspaper Proprietors Association of Nigeria at their recent conference in Jos by Professor Eyo B. E. Ndem, Director, Institute of African studies, University of Jos."

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RESETTLING EQUATORIAL GUIN RETURNEES

RECENTLY, the Federal Commissioner for Agriculture, Mr B. O. Mafeni announced in Calabar, that the Equatorial Guinea Returnees Rehabilitation Programme (EGRRP) in the eastern states would be phased out. It was during a meeting he held with commissioners responsible for Agriculture and Natural Resources in the eastern states that Mr. Mafeni unfolded the Federal Government's decision to discontinue the payment of the wages of these returnees working in farms set up by the various governments of the states concerned.

The Federal Government's decision disturbed the commissioners, who appealed to the FMG to rescind its decision or adopt a gradual phasing out programme to enable the respective governments operating the rehabilitation scheme to readjust.

The FMG may have good reasons for phasing out the programme. First as a misplaced priority, a wasteful project which makes the returnees mere parasites economically because after more than a year, the returnees might have saved enough to fend for themselves. As Commissioner Mafeni put it "the establishment of the farms and payment of the farmers (returnees) were intended to resettle them and the wages aimed at principally enabling them to possess the funds with which to become self-reliant."

I have always quarrelled with our policy makers for their ambitionus and complex economic and social policies which are stunted due to poor planning and overshoot or short sight on the society's needs. Due to this poor planning many government programmes have been frustrated.

It is a good social action to resettle our brothers forced out of a hostile neighbouring country, but it is a bad policy to subject them to the same brutal and hopeless condition under which they were.

The Equatorial Guinea returnees programme is a project devoid of constructive planning and economic and social objectivity. Instead it made the returnees poorer plantation workers who could not feed themselves well with minimal wages.

A close study of the aims and objectives of the programme under discussion as it affects Imo State shows that it was no different from the Farm Settlement Scheme established by the then Eastern Nigeria in 1962, which was phased out by the Asika Administration.

Also the operation of the EGRRP is not different from the activities of the Imo State Agricultural Development Corporation. Therefore the programme is a duplicity of the Farm Settlement Scheme and that of the Agricultural Development Corporation.

My argument is that if the aim of the programme as set out in its first annual report of May 1976—March 1977 is the develop[ment] of viable farm estates where the returnees and land owners will settle farms permanently and crop the land on individual basis and make profit for themselves to make decent living" then the programme as presently directed in Imo State runs counter to its aims and objectives.

The best the government could have done was to revive the Farm Settlement Scheme and send those returnees willing to make farming a career to the farm settlements, to settle down in their own farms. It was the aim of the Farm Settlement Scheme to make agriculture attractive to the youths and ensure the production of enough food for consumption and export.

It was intended to accelerate the speed of rural development. Each farm was to be a community by itself as well as part of the local community to which the landowner belongs. Each farm settler had his own small holding within the settlement and they cooperate in farm planning, processing, marketing and the use of certain machinery on modern scientific line. This is exactly what the Equatorial Guinea Returnees Rehabilitation Programme was intended to achieve.

The rehabilitation scheme took off in Imo state on June 5 1976 with a federal government grant of N13 million. Out of this amount N844,847.77 was spent up to March 31, 1977.

During the period the project absorbed 3,643 returnees and local inhabitants on whose land the farms were established, in the three basins of the state — the Ozara Okanowu site, Imo river basin and Oraminukwu river basin, using the returnees as mere labourers on daily wages.

During the period under reference, the returnees planted a total of 110 hectares of rice swamp, 460 hectares of rice, 800 hectares of cassava, 340 hectares of maize/cassava, 10 hectares of yam and 15 hectares of vegetables for the government.

Expected yields were 346.6 tonnes of swamp rice, 773.40 tonnes of upland rice, 16,762 tonnes of maize/cassava, 130 tonnes of yam. Compared with the amount of money invested on the first phase of the scheme, the programme could hardly be said to have made significant impact on the food market in the state how much more on the life of the returnees.

Like a hungry fish rushing thoughtlessly for a bait, little did the organizers of the programme know that they were soon to run into difficulties. The scheme in Imo faced several problems from the onset, ranging from financial problems, accommodation for agricultural staff, to bad access roads to project sites and lack of qualified staff to man the projects. The result was that the returnees had to complain, agitating for more pay and complaining against delays in payment of their wages.

The returnees remained in square one of their problems. Instead of working for themselves on their own farms to feed themselves and their families and the nation, they became "civil servants". And they treated their work in the farms as such.

I talked to a number of the returnees at the Ozara Okanowu site. They told me about their frustration and the bad organisation in the farms. In fact many of them do not know why they were there. "We are not used to this system", one of them said. They informed me that if they were given money to settle down on a piece of land allocated to them, they



by Tideman Bob Usim



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DEOLOGICAL DILEMMA



Newspaper Proprietors' Association of Nigeria at a party after a meeting in Port Harcourt. Mr Jakande, president of the association discusses with Mr Jumbo, Secretary, Port Harcourt City Council while Mr D. U. Anucha, general manager, Rivers State Newspaper Corporation and Mr Dambo, permanent secretary, Ministry of Finance listen with rapt attention.

It is my candid plea with the state government to revive the farm settlement scheme with this amount and give the returnees land to farm, out of more than 4,000 hectares of land acquired for the Equatorial Guinea returnees programme. Alternatively, the returnees could be absorbed by the Agricultural Development Corporation (ADC) and their farms transferred to the corporation.

It is my humble suggestion that the ADC should be operated in line with the defunct E.N.D.C. whose activities were confined to production of cash crops and food processing and other Agro-industrial projects, while the farm settlements take care of food crops.

This is because experience has shown that farm settlers' products reach the open market more quickly and under competitive conditions, while those of the ADC are exclusive and hardly seen in the open market except in their cold stores and they are sold at very high prices.



Rivers's Mr G. H. Osu-Chor (extreme

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Often times too, leaders of a particular movement try to translate the changing ethos of their society into an acceptable universalistic ideal. For instance, the despotism of Louis XIV which culminated in the revolution of 1789 has been given a universalistic perception and interpretation to analyse and forecast not dissimilar social and economic situations. Hence the solution which France adopted to fight aristocracy and despotism could logically be applied anywhere else in the world.

It is in this trend of thought that Thuriot one of the ardent supporters of the Revolution declared in 1791. "It is not for crime that revolutions are made but for the triumph of virtue. Let us not say that it is for France that we work; it is for humanity. In achieving our task we shall cover ourselves with eternal glory. Far from us to be the idea that France thirsts for blood, she thirsts only for justice."

Significantly too, is the observation of E.H. Erikson in his YOUNG MAN LUTHER: A study in Psychoanalysis and History; on ideology he says, "ideology is an unconscious tendency underlying religious and scientific as well as political thought: the tendency at a given time to make facts amenable to ideas, and ideas to facts, in order to create a world image convincing enough to support the collective and individual sense of identity. Far from being arbitrary or consciously manageable (although it is as explicitable as all of man's unconscious strivings), the total perspective created by ideological simplification reveals its strength by the dominance it exerts on the seeming logic of historical events and by its influence on the identity formation of individuals (and thus on 'ego-strength).

Here in Nigeria we are all victims of historical circumstances and we constantly searching for an identity, for a healthy group interest, something that will bind us together for a new 'moral community'.

This search has become intensified since the attainment of independence because one of the symbols of a free and independent people is the assertion of their identity coupled with the acquisition of new va-

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NBC PROGRAMME

05.40	Drum Signal	RSP TAPE
05.44	National Anthem and Pledge	
05.45	Programme Summary	RSP LIVE
05.50	Morning Prayers:	RSP TAPE
06.00	News At Dawn	NP
06.03	Moment for Thought	"
06.05	From The Nigerian Editorials	"
06.10	Morning Glee (Comm)	RSP CGR
06.30	State News Summary In English	RSP LIVE
06.35	OBN Jingle	RSP TAPE
06.37	Personal Paid Announcement (Comm)	RSP LIVE
06.57	Moment For Thought	NP
07.00	The News	"
07.10	Your Government And You Next Step	"
07.15	News Talk	"
07.20	Morning Caravan	RSP LIVE
08.00	News On The Hour	NP
08.03	News Summaries In Edo, Efik, Fulfulde and Hausa	"
08.15	A Date With 8.15	RSP CGR
08.45	National Programme/Educational Service	NP
09.00	News Summaries In Igbo, Ijaw, Kanuri, Tiv and Yoruba	"
09.15	Traders Special	RSP CGR
10.00	The News	NP
10.10	Network Programme Promotion NBC Forum/Brains Trust	"
10.15	National Programme/Educational Service	"
10.30	National Programme/Educational Service	"
10.45	National Programme/Educational Service	"
11.00	News On The Hour	"
11.03	National Programme/Educational Service	"
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11.48	National Programme/Educational Service	"
12.00	News On The Hour	"
12.03	National Programme/Educational Service	"
12.18	National Programme/Educational Service	"
12.30	Bogalo Lobel (Gokana Magazine) Ekere Khana (Khana Magazine)	RSP TAPE
13.00	The News	NP
13.10	From The Nigerian Editorials	"
13.15	Announcer's Choice	"
14.00	News on the hour	"
14.03	Sound Galore (Comm)	RSP CGR
15.00	News on the hour	NP
15.03	Sound Galore (Comm)	RSP CGR
15.30	State News in English, Kwerre and Kalabari	RSP LIVE
16.00	The News	NP
16.10	Interlude	"
16.15	Money Miss Road	"
16.30	Educational Service	"
16.45	News in Edo, Efik and Fulfulde	"
17.00	State News in Khana and Kolokuma	RSP LIVE
17.20	Personal Paid Announcement (Comm)	"
17.30	Focus on the Rivers State	RSP TAPE
18.00	News in Hausa, Igbo and Ijaw	NP
18.15	Nigeria in the eighties the next step	"
18.20	Let's go farming	"
18.25	Ekpeye Ebelobi	RSP LIVE
19.00	News Panorama	NP
19.30	African Music on Records (Comm)	RSP LIVE
19.45	News in Kanuri, Tiv and Yoruba	NP
20.00	State News In English	RSP LIVE
20.10	State News summary in Kwerre, Kalabari Khana and Kolokuma	RSP LIVE
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21.00	News on the hour	"
21.03	Moment for Thought	"
21.05	Animals in Nigerian Folklore/Commitment	
	Assembly	"
21.20	Interlude	"
21.30	Forum/Brains Trust	"
22.00	The News	"
22.10	News Analysis	"
22.15	Educational Service	"
22.30	Cultural Landscape	RSP TAPE
23.00	News On The Hour	NP
23.03	My Favourites	LIVE CGR/ DUTY ANNOUNCER
23.13	Evening Worship (Hausa/Tiv)	NP
23.23	Just For You	RSP LIVE
00.00	News At Midnight	NP
00.05	Close Down -- Prayer and National Anthem	RSP LIVE

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7.00	Sports Report
7.30	World News
7.45	Papers Today
8.05	You and the Law
8.30	Face the Nation
9.00	Network News
9.30	Play of the Week
10.30	Wrestling

Ideological dilemma

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lues consistent with their aspirations in the world context.

Inherited Ideological Vacuum

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Exposed to the new political culture, an awareness and rationalization of our political rights, the resentment and the rejection of the British system of governing her colonies, including Nigeria, was irreversible. But our rejection was discriminatory, onto the emergent body politic of the post-independence Nigeria was grafted, ironically, those political and administrative trappings of the former imperialist ruler. This shows evidence of political maturity but hardly political astuteness!

The imperialists did not leave us in chaos or anarchy, but neither did they, but the logic of the situation, hand over to us any integrated form of an ideology, political or economic.

Parliamentary system of government with which Britain has been historically identified for nearly a thousand years was not operated in Nigeria or in any of her African dependencies. Slipshod form of representative institution designated The Legislative Council was experimented upon.

I shall refrain from going into the shortcomings of this experiment, what is important to note on the British in Nigeria) is that at the termination of their rule in Nigeria we inherited an "Ideological Vacuum" and this is the genesis of the dilemma.

Nigerian nationalism even as an ideology could not provide us with the necessary frame of reference. That is to say a political ideology. I accept that we wanted to see end of British colonialism, then from the peasantry to the urban elite there was a general consensus on this. The degree of political sophistication and the awareness of the populace to the rigid controls for the fertilization of the seeds of nationalism.

For in most cases in history the phenomenon of nationalism is emotive and unrational, rationality is a later stage in the continuum; indoctrination and mobilization are the most essential ingredients. So in the 1960s there emerged in this country a crop of veritable political thinkers who fostered about various brand of political and economic ideologies.

There were the proponents of Democratic Socialism, Pragmatic Socialism, Conservative Socialism and other less elegant schisms. All these, like fantasies, withered away without any significant following before the crisis of 1966. And now we are in the grips of ideological dilemmas.

The legacy of this ideological vacuum continues to stalk our path for schism come from flashes of ideas which were neversynthesized or coordinated as a body of philosophical concepts to guide the nation. To pass this sort of judgment on an historical circumstance which was more than inhibiting and sometimes condemned the native minds' attempt at exploration in the abstract would be hard and unjustified.

Now that we are relatively free the ideological dilemma is no less intense, but at least the Nigerian social system is eagerly awaiting a solution.

The Great Debate

Today, as never before in the history of this country, we are being engaged in a great, trying and protracted debates as regards the sort of political and economic system this nation should adopt. It is exciting. Different points of view, different dialectical orientations of individuals and "Pressure Groups" participating in the debate clearly shows that this is not to be a Monistic state where the individual is subordinated to the collective will of the lawgivers — popular sovereignty de luxe!

Parliamentary system, Executive Presidency, Mixed Economy, Capitalism in its blue dye, and Scarlet Red Socialism — all emerging as interpretations from that historic document — the Draft Constitution — have bandied words with one another. The issue has got to be resolved and the indication is that the choice is on Democracy, hopefully not the Guidal Democracy of Sukarno.

I have in this debate opted for Executive Presidency. And I have consistently argued (see The Nigerian Standard 31st December, 1976) that "those who oppose Executive Presidency for Nigeria do so because, I believe, they fear that a strong man in that post has been given licence, through constitutional default, to become a dictator. But the fear is less than warranted in view of:

(a) the opposition the President may face both in the National Assembly and in the Senate;

(b) the significance of judicial Review which is the bastion of the Presidential System."

This is indeed one of the central issues in the Draft Constitution and I do not want to dwell on it any more. My concern now is on the ideology of a Mixed



LT. Gen. OBASANJO

Economy as proposed in section 2 of the Draft Constitution. Opponents of the Mixed Economy have variously branded it bourgeoisie or capital oriented economic rationalization; that it is a machinery for the continued exploitation of the proletariat segment of our society; that it smacks of the evil genius of Adam Smith. Perhaps enough of name calling.

Let us take a close look at this most controversial theme — Mixed Economy.

"It was a logical inevitability that the government should effectively intervene in those sectors of the economy which left in the hands of both foreign and indigenous finance corporations would have held the country to ransom.

Worse still with the paucity of indigenous expertise the bitter alternative would have been to allow foreign capital to dominate our economy as hitherto was the case."

Since this country attained independence in the 1960s the governments of the Federation had persistently, and may be less systematically, been intervening in the economic structure of this country. With the result that it has become now (I mean the intervention) both the economic and political emperative.

We must remember that when the British left, there were hardly any impressive economic infrastructure, nor were the provision of the social overheads the concern of the vanishing British imperial authority in Nigeria. Nor were there any indigenous Nigerians capitalists to accept the gnawing economic challenge of the time as compared with the industrial West during the Industrial Revolution.

It therefore fell upon the government of the Federation to move into those sectors of the economy which in the West would have been left to the traditional enclaves of private sectors. But our private sector had hardly crystallized, it was still fighting its way out of the monopolist — Capitalist mesh which foreign concerns had got him into.

With little capital and in the absence of the technological know-how to confront the trans-national Finance Institutions the indigenous business had to contend with the role of midle men — distributors. Can you seriously call these Nigerian agents or 'Factors' capitalists? How many people did a Nigerian enterprenour offer employment? What was his capital turn-over or bank reserves?.

They were to me, in spite of their beaming faces and broad smiles for having made good in stock-fish or cotton deal, no capitalists they were industrious and pushful Nigerians with a bright future. And their contributions could not have made any impact on our N. G. P. (Gross National Product.)

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Worse still with the paucity of indigenous expertise the bitter alternative would have been to allow foreign capital to dominate our economy as hitherto was the case.

The Mixed Economy as proposed in the Draft Constitution is nothing other than the introduction of the ideology of Democratic Socialism which in practice has been the pattern of our economic system for this country. Opposition to it stems from ideological grounds whether or not the empirical situation justifies. What they want is the Soviet-style socialism where the state does not only control the "Commanding Heights of the Economy" but bars all private individuals from exercising their business acument.

The state now becomes the monopolist — Capitalist. If we take a close look at our economic activities are in the hands of governments, Federal and states. Take the Extractive Industries: Mining, Oil, Coal, Gas, Cement, Iron. Transportation: Railways, Airways, Inland Waterways. Plantations: Oil Palm Plantations, Rubber, Cashew. Ports and Harbours, Universities and Technical Colleges, Research Institutions, Mortgage Banks. You will on reflection come to see that all these economic activities will surely affect the lives of the individuals in our society; and government would have abdicated its responsibility if it had allowed private economic interests in this sphere.

Peoples' government

The dangerous thesis of the extreme socialism is its equating socialism with liberalism and dictatorship. From all histories of dictatorship under any clime the so-called popular sovereignety, the fantasy of the dictatorship of the proletariats — is to hand over liberty and freedom to the new contingent of philistine — all in the name of the so called "Peoples" Government. That is what African Socialism has in stores for you — monolithic or worse still a monistic system.

A Mixed Economy will allow the individual ample opportunity to participate in the economic development with the proviso that such involvement does not erode or emasculate the economic fabric of the society as has been woven by the government. It should not be the intention of the government to make it impossible for latent inventiveness and imagination of our people to come to bloom.

Nigerians do not want to be spoon-fed by any ossified totalitarian regime.

COUNCIL BOSS EXONERATED

NO MORE BASELESS ALLEGATIONS BY COUNCILLORS

COUNCILLORS in the Cross River State have again been warned to refrain from making "false allegations" against their fellow councillors or chairmen of councils, so that such persons may be reproached or sacked.

Such baseless accusations generated rift in council, and adversely strained the reputation of persons so maligned. The warning was issued by the state's Commissioner for Local Government, Mr Lawrence Neji while announcing government decision on Ikono Local Government crisis to council members at Ikono.

from Sam Effiong

Precisely four months ago, trouble had loomed in the council when councillors rebelled against the chairman, Mr Otu Robert Akpan. They later passed a vote of "no confidence" on the chairman, accusing him of inefficiency, maladministration and abuse of office.

The accusers also alleged that Mr Akpan placed the Local Government in opposition to the Federal Government.

The commissioner told the councillors that allegations made against their chairman had been carefully studied and found to be baseless and misleading.

"The accusations were a catalogue of fabrication which could only be meant to tarnish the image of a man whose wrong has not been proved by a constituted authority". He said the chairman had been absolved from all the charges against him in the censure motion and "I am therefore discarding the motion and allow the chairman to remain in office".

In future, he said any councillor who hatched up wrong accusation against others would be seriously and ruthlessly dealt with, Mr Neji warned.

He said councillors owed it a duty to the nation to bring the motivation and aims of the Federal Military Government and local government reforms to fruition.

Assizes open

THE January assizes of the Ughelli judicial division will open on Monday, January 9, 1978.

It will be presided over by Mr Justice J. B. Amisah.

Eighteen criminal cases have been listed for hearing during the session.

They include seven murder, one unlawful carnal knowledge, six stealing and four criminal appeals.

Dreams come true

IT was a mustard seed sown many years ground into timber. And for sister Henry Parker, it was a joy to see the school she founded flourish.

Here, students of the Girls Secondary School, Calabar say welcome to Sister Parker who founded the school as the Holy Child Secondary School, Calabar.



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JUNIOR STAFF VACANCIES

Applications are invited from suitably qualified candidates for the following vacant posts in the Ministry of Trade and Economic Development, Port Harcourt.

No.	Post	Qualifications	Salary Grade Level
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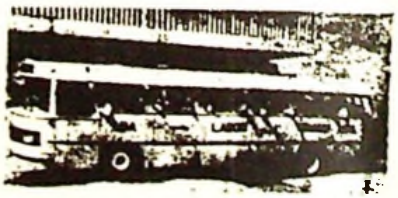
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†

Mrs Selinah Nwahunanya Nwafor

which sad event took place at Umuechere on January 3, 1978. She was aged 68 years.

She was buried on January 5, 1978. She left to mourn her death the followings:

Albert Nwafor Onyemetu - husband
Police Sergeant Sylvanus Nwafor of police station Isiokpo - son
Eugene Nwafor, businessman - son
Chike Nwafor U.S.A. - son
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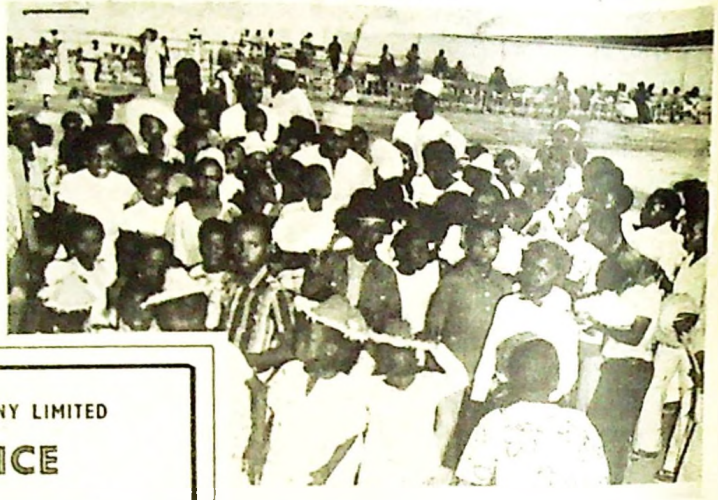
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Land-lord challenges tribunal

A WARRI land'lord, Mr Richard Nebrigho has filed a motion in the Warri high court, seeking the court to set aside the record of the proceedings of the Warri Rent Tribunal in a case involving him.

The motion was filed on his behalf by a Warri based lawyer, Mr John Alele, against the chairman and other three members of the tribunal.

In a 21 point affidavit, the applicant urged the high court to set aside any other order in the proceedings which it considered necessary.

The applicant claimed that the tribunal did not grant him sufficent time to prepare his defence and that he was wrongly charged before the tribunal, as his name was not the very name on the hearing notice.

He further claimed that members of the tribunal were prejudiced in the case because according to him, he had a previous quarrel with them and that they threatened to deal with him whenever he appeared before them on any offence.

Mr Nebrigho also claimed that despite his appeal to the tribunal to grant him time to consult his lawyer, members of the tribunal turned down his appeal and proceeded with the case.

He agued that he could not be charged as the agent of his wife for mere issuing of cheque for the payment of debts owed by his wife, because his wife was also entitled to her own separate estates.

The applicant alledged that the case before the tribunal had earlier been decided, before it was brought before it, and that the case came up as a result of a complaint made personally to the chairman against him by the plaintiff.

The tribunal, he claimed, acted beyond its powers and its chairman was biased on a point involving an exhibit which was to be tendered in the case.

When the motion came up for hearing, Mr Justice A. N. Maidoh of the Warri High Court granted him leave to apply for an order of certiorari.

The judge also ordered that further proceedings or execution of any order made by the tribunal be stayed until the application was determined.

Further hearing was adjourned to February 14, 1978.

This week we salute our fallen heroes



IT WAS a glorious day when the Anambra State Police Football team returned to Enugu as winners of the Inspector-General of Police trophy for football.

The team defeated Lagos State team 1—0 in the finals of the All-Nigeria Police event played at Ahmadu Bello Stadium in Kaduna.

Picture shows the Captain of the team, Victor Okeiyi (right) presenting the cup to the Anambra State Commissioner of Police, Mr Sam Igbe (left) while some other team mates look on.

The commissioner congratulated the team and urged them to strive hard to retain the Cup in future by continuing to play like a team.

IGP cup presented to Anambra Police boss

TIDESPORT

As TTC games continue:

RIVERS BEAT LAGOS 1-0 AT FOOTBALL

THE Rivers State football team to the current all Nigeria teachers training colleges games going on in Kaduna, last weekend, pipped their Lagos State counterparts by 1—0 at the Police college playing ground, Kaduna.

Rivers drove home their lone but painful goal in the 5th minute of play through a penalty kick.

Although the boys made several daredevil incursions to score more goals, Lagos water-tight defence warded Dafa league.

At resumption of the second half the two teams returned to the pitch more determined — one to increase its number of goals and the other to equalise.

Rivers had a better control of the game, but it was not a one-sided show. Lagos boys often mesmerised their goal area but timely intervention of the Rivers rearmen blocked any chances for an equaliser.

Also at the same venue, the Benue basket ball women proved superior to their Ogun State counterparts by 46—16 scores.

PH DAFA LEAGUE:

Police arrest Leventis 1—0

POLICE Football Club of Port Harcourt last week defeated the Leventis Football Club by one goal to nothing in continuation of the Super League at the Recreation Stadium.

Stephen Obanora, found the net for Police in the 5th minute. If there is anything that robs players of scoring chances, it is the sandy Recreation Stadium! Infact for considerable minutes it was misses by both teams. First half ended 1—0 against Leventis.

Painful football, they say doesn't matter much, but goals. And so, the Leventis boys who were not too good for hard football stood looses as their "Tap-Tap" game couldn't fetch them goals.

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However, the resumption of play saw the white shirted Leventis boys with more determined football as they spearheaded themselves for an equaliser.

Poor, schoolboys Adubari (Otorobio and Pele, they didn't have a smiling day as they were in many occasions badly mishandled by the hard tackling Police boys.

Much tribute goes to Police goalkeeper who proved a hard nut for the Leventis. And in a goalmouth scramble that ensued he was badly bruised and was replaced by his assistant.

The Posts and Telecommunications (P&T) Football Club of Port Harcourt last weekend defeated the Prisons Football Club also of Port Harcourt 1—0 at the same venue in continuation of the DAFA league.

— by —
Inengisa Somiari

The game which started at about 4.30 p.m. witnessed an early minute pressure at the P&T half But minutes later P&T took over control and raided their opponents goal area.

With narrow misses and mid field tussles the first half ended goalless.

At resumption, P&T rose from their slumber, and became shaper in their attack.

Posts and Telecommunications Football Club, proved an all rounder team with agile defender, Turner Sagalo, controlling the halves and an striker Fala leading the upfront they pressurised their Prisons counterparts. And their efforts yielded dividend in the 53rd minute when Fala Bob Manuel receiving a right flank lob, outwitted some unrushing defenders before sending home a grounder which sealed their two points award.



P&T defender, Aggrimola, blocking beautifully against Prisons forwarder, Charles Obi. A "no goals for moments" scene.

Bjorn Borg of Sweden proves champ at tennis

SWEDEN'S Bjorn Borg, the reigning Wimbledon champion lived up to his reputation as the world's top player by outclassing Mexican star, Raul Ramirez 6—2, 6—4 at the grand prix masters tennis championship at Madison Square garden over the weekend.

Borg was in exceptional form and hardly made a mistake during the match, which lasted 72 minutes. Ramirez kept battling to get on terms but could do little to stop the Swede.

Borg broke Ramirez's service five times in all. His volleying was fierce, and his serving also looked more powerful than ever. He unleashed several service aces and wrapped up the match in style with a love game.

In the last match of the night, the Argentinian left-hander Guillermo Vilas had an even speedier victory, beating Manuel Orantes of Spain 6—4, 6—1 in 67 minutes. The ease of his win was surprising, for Orantes had won eight of their previous 11 encounters.

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NIGERIAN TIDE

Monday, January 9, 1978

Workers' protest upheld...

Airways purge is unjust

THE dismissal of ten engineers by the management of the Nigerian Airways was unjust, according to the chairman of the Industrial Arbitration Tribunal hearing the dispute between the airline and members of the Nigerian Airways Association of Aircraft Engineers and Technologists, Mr Oritseje Efueye.

Mr Efueye said the dismissal was a violation of the order of his tribunal to the effect that both parties should maintain the "status quo."

He made the order, he stated, following an application by the management in order to prevent the engineers from embarking on a strike when the dispute was still being heard by the tribunal.

The chairman remarked that the Commissioner for Civil Aviation, Professor William Olsiogu, could not claim ignorance of the order, but assuming he was unaware, it was the place of the management to have advised him.

Counsel for the management, Chief Bayo Kehinde agreed that the commissioner called for the names of those who were subsequently removed during the purge.

He added that the purge was not restricted to the members of the association.

But the chairman cut in: "You are asking the whole country and the government to accept now that the dismissal of the ten members of NAAAET was a coincidence with reference to the order passed by this tribunal?"

You have an uphill task in convincing this tribunal that the people dismissed were not being chased by the management", he added.

You will recall that some names were submitted to this tribunal by the union that the management was threatening to dismiss their members and these are the people dismissed".

Mission-impossible

He felt that the action taken by the management would make a lasting settlement impossible.

Chief Kehinde again told the tribunal that the management was not involved in the purge, but the council maintained that the management must have recommended for his clients to be dismissed and added that they were more liable that Professor Olsiogu for flouting the tribunal's order.

Mr Efueye wondered what confidence the management would now have in the tribunal in relation to awards which might be made after the settlement of the dispute.

Biko's death re-echoes

PRETORIA'S Chief Magistrate, Marthinus Prins is to ask the South African Medical Council to look into the professional conduct of doctors who were treating black consciousness leader Steve Biko before his death in Police detention on September 12.

Mr Prins said last month that no one could be held responsible for the black leader's death. He said at the weekend, however, that he intended to pass on to the Medical Council extracts from the judicial inquiry into Mr Biko's death concerning the doctors' attitude.

It was then up to the council to act as it thought fit, he added.

Reference was made during the inquiry to alleged improper conduct by doctors attending to Mr Biko.

The Biko family has opened a 178,000 Rand (200,000 dollars) action for damages against South African police chief, General Gert Prinsloo and Health Minister, Schalk Van Der Merwe which observers expect to last several months.

SAYS PROBE CHIEF



Professor William Olsiogu
Federal Commissioner for Civil Aviation.

HUSBAND, WIFE IN MYSTERY DEATH

THE decomposed bodies of a husband and wife were discovered a few days after their baptism at the Apostolic Church, Ikot Ekpene, Akpabuyo, near Calabar.

The couple, identified as Akpan Archibong of Ikot Akpan Ifia in Ikot Ekpene and Affiong Udo Obot, of Ikot Essien Etok in Abak were said to have moved into a new house a few days before their death.

They were last seen together going to the market, but neighbours and relations became anxious when they did not come back.

The police were contacted

Discovery

and subsequent investigation led to the discovery of the bodies — that of the woman in a bed and that of the man at the backyard of their house.

Police suspect foul play and a man, described as a "native doctor" and former husband of the woman, is assisting them in their investigation.

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