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Briefly ...

Five persons died and 105 others fell unconscious in a stampede as pilgrims in thousands rushed to take their holy dip at the confluence of the River Ganges and the sea in Sagar Island on the east coast, Sanuchar news agency reported here.

Some 24 persons were admitted to hospital at the island with injuries.

The death toll of pilgrims in the island rose to nine with four dying of cold at the weekend, the report added.

Seventy-eight year-old Harold Abrahmas ex-president of the British Athletics Federation and the 1924 Paris Olympic 100-metre Gold medalist died in London on Saturday in hospital.

THE route to the office of the Executive Presidency, which has been adopted by the Constituent Assembly is not going to be an easy one at all.

This is because the Assembly has overwhelmingly voted against the returning of any presidential candidates as UNOPPOSED at the elections for the post.

Sources close to the Assembly said the decision was taken against the background of the lessons of pre-military politics when it was quite common for parliamentary candidates to manipulate themselves into being elected without any opposition.

It was understood that the Assembly decided that even where only one candidate is running for the presidential election, such a candidate must have to run through the election.

It was learned that this formula would not apply to the posts of the vice-president and state governors. Today, the Assembly is expected to discuss the procedure to be adopted where two or more candidates are contesting for the post.

The Assembly has already adopted the recommendation in the draft constitution regarding the tenure of office of the president, the vice-president, the state governors and deputy governors.

For the presidency and the vice-presidency the draft recommends: "The president and the vice-president shall hold office for a term of four years and shall be eligible for re-election for only one further term of four years."

And also for the governor and deputy governor the draft proposes:

"The governor and the deputy governor shall hold office for four years and a governor shall be eligible for re-elect on for a second term of four years and not necessarily with the same running mate."

It was gathered that the Federal Military Government has now calmed down the nerves of members over the question of the provisions of Decree 25 otherwise known as Electoral Decree 1977 and the authority of the Constituent Assembly. When the decree was promulgated some members felt that the authority of the Assembly in matters connected with the Constitution was being eroded.



●Lt-General Olusegun Obasanjo
Head of State

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REGISTRATION NOW GOES INTO FULL BLAST

REGISTRATION of voters for the 1979 elections began throughout the Federation on Saturday.

In Port Harcourt, the Rivers State Capital, the state Military Governor, Colonel Zamani Lekwot and members of his household set the pace when they registered as early as 7.30 a.m. After registering, the governor appealed to the members of the Federal Electoral Commission to ensure the success of the registration exercise.

In a pre-dawn message to the nation, the Head of State, Lt-General Olusegun Obasanjo warned against any malpractices throughout the period of registration, which stretches to February 28.

The provisions of the Electoral Decree No. 25 of 1977 provides as follows for the registration of voters:

1 — Subject to this Decree, the persons entitled to vote at any election in any constituency within the meaning of that expression as used in the Constitution of Federal Republic (hereinafter referred to as "the Constitution") shall be those ordinarily resident there on qualifying date who on that date and on the date of the poll are citizens of Nigeria of the age of 18 years or upwards and are not subject to any legal incapacity to vote.

Provided that a person shall not be entitled to vote in any constituency unless registered there in the register of voters to be used at the election.

2 No person shall vote at any one election in more than one constituency or more than once in the same constituency.

3 In this section, "legal incapacity" in its application to voters includes —

The acknowledgement of allegiance, obedience or adherence by the personal act of voter to any foreign power or state.

The imposition of sentence of death or in respect of an offence involving dishonesty of imprisonment (by whatever name called) for a term exceeding six months or such other punishment as may lawfully be substituted therefor, and the voter has not at the date of the election suffered punishment or received a free pardon.

Disqualification under this Decree in respect of certain practices and other electoral offences at elections.

The following persons are not qualified to vote at any elec-

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'LET JUSTICE TAKE ITS COURSE'

MEMBERS of the public have been advised not to pervert or interfere with the course of justice, as the law courts, were out to give a fair trial to all manner of people.

The advice was given by Mr Justice J. B. Amissah presiding at the Ughelli January Assizes.

The judge said that it was incumbent on both the defence and the prosecution, as officers of the court, to hold firm to the scales of justice and thereby ensure that the innocent is set free and the guilty punished according to law.

Mr Amissah said that the law court is the last hope of every citizen of the country in the determination of personal liberties and civil right be it citizens against citizen or the state against the citizen.

He observed that there was no problem of congestion in his judicial division, which covers the Ughelli an Isoko local government areas.

He commended the Nigeria Police in his judicial division, who, he said, had tracked down criminals effectively and had contributed immensely, to the drop in the number of crimes.

He announced that another high court judge, Mr Justice J. A. Obi had been posted to the Ughelli judiciary adding that with the additional judge the 143 civil cases now pending would be greatly reduced.

He appealed to members of the bar to take up appointments on the bench as well as in the Ministry of Justice. There can be no legal practice if the bench is not occupied by legally qualified person. The truth is that the bench and the bar are complementary," he added.

Judge pleads

Speaking on the occasion, the director of public prosecutions, Mr M. E. Adedeo assured that the officers in the Ministry of Justice will uphold fairness and uprightness by discharging their duties with despatch.

In his speech, the leader of the Ughelli Bar Association, Mr W. D. Agbahowe pledged the co-operation of the unofficial bar.

Newsmen want colleagues released

The Oyo State branch of the Nigerian Union of Journalists has appealed to the Federal Military Goverment to release the newsmen being held in detention.

The newsmen include the editor of the Nigerian Tribune, Mr. Peter Ajesin the acting editor of the Daily Sketch, Mr Bumi Iyeru and a Radio O-Y-O news editor, Mr. Samson Adegbola.

Their detention is believed to be not unconnected with a news item early last week on an alleged promotion of some senior army officers.

In a statement in Ibadan on Monday, the union lamented the continued detention of the journalists by security men.

It described the error in the news items as purely human and quite unintentional as might have been misconstrued in some quarters.

The union called on the Federal Military Authorities which it described as "government of the people" to overlook the slip and release the men. It also advised working journalists to guard against such slips always so as to avoid frictions with the government.

The union warned against unnecessary press sensationalism capable of causing confusion in the country.

Imo Health law flayed

The Imo State Government had come under a heavy attack over what had been described as its reactionary health policy.

The student union of the University of Nigeria, Nsukka in a statement in Enugu condemned the recent decision of the Authority in Imo State to stop [illegible] patients to Government hospitals or to send over outstanding services to contractors and demobilise hospital teaching staff.

It said that the situation was nothing short of the old reactionary policies being pursued by the elite to the detriment of the small men who, though in the majority were voiceless and powerless.



Army weapons week

The Nigeran Army Weapon week took off in Benin recently at the Ekenwan Shooting Range.

At the opening ceremony, the Army Chief of Staff, Lt-General T. Y. Danjuma addressed officers and men of the Nigerian Army vying for honours. Photo (right) shows Lt-General Danjuma (4th from right) delivering his opening address while Major General E. O. Ablecye (3rd from right) Col.J. M. Gin, Army Commander, Bendel State (extreme right) and others listen.

Photo too, the Chief of Army Staff, Lt-General T. Y. Danjuma (1st from left) being welcomed to Benin City at the airport for the meeting by the state Military Governor, Commodore Husaini Abdullahi (third from right) while other Army Officers look on.



Complaints boss assured support

THE Military Governor of Niger State, Commander O. E. Ukiwe, has assured the Niger-Sokoto States Public Complaints Commission of the support of his government.

Commander Ukiwe, who was exchanging views with the Public Complaints Commissioner for the two states, Alhaji Jebbi Bungudu, at the Government House at Minna, said, his government would do its best to see that the commission performed its functions creditably.

Earlier, Alhaji Bungudu had told the governor that the very few complaints received from the state were mainly on non-payment of compensation for land acquired by the government.

He regretted that the distance between the Niger State capital and Sokoto, the seat of the commission, did not allow for quick action on cases from Niger State.

He hoped that with the establishment of the new Area Office in Minna, the situation would improve.

The commissioner, who was accompanied by his secretary, Alhaji Abubakar Nigo, wished the governor a successful tenure of office.

EDITORIAL

Vigilance against abuse of power

THE COURT is regarded by many people all over the world, at least in the democracies, as the citizen's bulwark of last resort against injustice, tyranny and abuse, and against invasion of, or threat to, his rights, liberty, property and life, from any quarter whatsoever. Those charged with the protection of this bulwark against violation are, therefore, required to possess, among other attributes, the finest moral qualities. It follows then that judges or magistrates who do not possess the requisite moral attributes are unfit to exercise judicial functions.

WE ARE, therefore, horrified that a senior magistrate in this country could abuse his office in such a flagrant manner as in the case of Mr Adisa Adewole against whom the Chief Judge of the Rivers State, Mr Justice Ambrose Allagoa, awarded damages and costs last Wednesday for acting "maliciously" with the deliberate intention of injuring a person standing trial on a charge of assault in his court.

THE magistrate had committed Miss Tonye Briggs to prison on two different occasions alleging that she had lied to her counsel. This action, in the opinion of the learned Chief Judge, was "unwarranted, unlawful and malicious". Of the courage and integrity of the judiciary in this country there can be no doubt. Oftentimes, both members of the lower courts and the superior courts have demonstrated the finest qualities of the legal profession and the noble traditions of the judiciary by stoutly upholding the principle of equality of all persons before the law.

YET, there exists among officers of the law, particularly in the lower courts, some little tyrants who use their position to deny ordinary people their rights. Probably, in other places and in different circumstances Miss Briggs would have suffered in vain and Mr Adewole could have escaped liability for his injurious conduct and bad behaviour. If Miss Briggs had no means of securing learned counsel and access to the high court, as would have been the case with the average Nigerian in the suburbs, justice would have been wounded and injustice would have triumphed.

WE CONCEDE that a majority of our magistrates are men and women of proven integrity and sound judgment, but we are worried that the few who are not, constitute a slur on the legal profession and the Judiciary. For whereas other institutions could accommodate their share of "bad eggs", the Judiciary should remain exclusive to the finest characters and the loftiest minds. This ought to be so because independence of the Judiciary rests upon the belief that the judicial function demands impartiality. Every judge and magistrate as a trustee for the rights and liberty of the citizen, must not only uphold this doctrine of impartiality but must clearly be seen to be impartial. We commend Mr Justice Allagoa for upholding the rule of law and congratulate Miss Briggs and her counsel on their triumphant resistance against the abuse of power.

PUBLIC OPINION FORUM

RSTC, DON'T DO THIS

I heard with joy the news that there will be a boost in transportation from the Rivers State Transport Corporation over the NBC, Port Harcourt on Dec. 28 and 29, 1977.

I have watched with interest the confused state in which this body has been operating since its birth. Needless to mention the number of scrap buses and river crafts that have passed through its hands. The first era of the corporation, was a total failure.

Then a reorganisation followed (after the probe). It was then decided that the quickest way to make profits was by hiring out buses. And little effort was made to revive the river transport.

The corporation has a right to operate in such a way as to make profit but it must be remembered that the Transport Corporation was set up to ease the transport problems of the state. It was also established with the taxpayer's money.

The corporation should not rob the taxpayers money to maximize its profits in areas where such practice could be avoided.

MONIMA FREGOBA
Port Harcourt.

CONDITION FOR DISCIPLINE IN POLICE

THE recent tirade against the Nigeria Police by a retiring Assistant Inspector-General of Police Mr Brisibe was not only well-timed but also very important.

I am happy he recognised the shortcomings of the police. As one who has gone through the force he should now tell us how he tried to solve some of the problems facing the police.

Honestly speaking I will like to see the day when Nigerians will face problems when they have the powers to solve them. This is relevant to the position of Mr Brisibe.

Will he tell us that he did not know the problems he now talks about, before he retired? Does he not know that despite the truth that a sound mind does a good job, some police constables still live under abandoned vehicles etc, and our police are still poorly paid?

Unless prompt attention is given to these, corruption and indiscipline will continue to eat deep into members of the force.

TUNDE MOHAMMED
LAGOS

Extend closing date

IT is disheartening to observe that the West African Examinations Council (WAEC) has closed entries for the R.S.A. (summer series) for 1978 much earlier than what obtained in previous years.

I am not unmindful of the many problems the council faces, but it should not take unilateral decisions affecting the future of hundreds of young people.

Please WAEC, extend the closing date of this examination.

M. KOSIN
Port Harcourt.

Release scholarship awards

IT is a pity that both the Federal and State Governments of the federation have been unable to announce the scholarship awards for the 1977/78 session, although schools resumed since September last year.

This state of affairs could frustrate a good number of students who are hoping on the awards as the only chance to further their education.

These students are roaming about the streets, right now.

Efforts should be made to release the awards immediately.

GEORGE ARIOLU
Ogoni.

Street names are needed here

OMOKU has some wide streets which conveniently take two lorries driving at opposite directions. These streets separate four areas of Omoku: Obosi, Obakatah, Obieti and Usomini, just as Emenike and Azikiwe Streets separated Mile one, two and three in Diobu, Port Harcourt.

Unlike the streets we have in Port Harcourt however, those in Omoku have no streets names. And because of this houses in Omoku have no numbers. But like every developing town, street names and house numbers are important.

Letters could easily be delivered to their owners and visitors could also find it easy to trace their friends in the town, where streets are properly named and houses are also numbered.

GODPOWER DAVID
Omoku.

HELP US

I want to remind the authorities concerned, that a place like Amadi-Ama behind Rainbow Town in Okrika District of the Bonny Local Government Authority Area is not having a postal agency.

This make it difficult for the people in the village to post letters, and communicate with the outside world.

Before a mail is posted, one travels from the village to the Port Harcourt General Post Office. We travel far to receive letters too.

The authority concerned should please help us. We are suffering a lot.

LEMMY S. C. KOKO.
Amadi-Ama.

Reactivate post office in Omagwa

OMAGWA in Ikwerre/Etche Local Government Area of the Rivers State had a Post Office before the Nigerian civil war. This Post Office ceased to function since after he war. This was as a result of some essential facilities damaged during the war.

It is rather very disheartening and painful indeed that the state government has not up till now, realised the importance of this Post Office and made provisions for its reactivation.

The people in the area especially the workers in the International Airport being constructed in the area travel some kilometres away from the town to receive and post their letters.

I call on the State Government, and those concerned to take it as a matter of urgency to open this Post Office. This will contribute in no small measure to curtail the difficulties encountered here.

BENEDICT I. ICHESI
Omagwa.

GOVERNOR REITERATES OPEN POLICY

THE Kaduna State Government will continue to maintain an open policy to genuine businessmen whose actions and decisions in duty were not detrimental to the state's economy, Governor Mouktar Mohammed declared.

Group Captain Mouktar Mohammed was addressing representatives of indigenous businessmen in the state at a luncheon party held in their honour at the State House, Kaduna.

Governor Mohammed told the businessmen that Kaduna State recognised their stand in the community. It was the government's responsibility to keep businessmen informed of its activities and to help solve any problems facing the businessmen.

On the policy of the Federal Military Government, Group Captain Mouktar Mohammed said: "We are for the masses and we are striving to serve their interest but without prejudice".

The military governor announced that the Kaduna State Government has geared up efforts to improve the activities of the Co-operative Bank to facilitate easy access for businessmen to secure loans.

Direct labour listed for councils

The Oyo State Commissioner for Local Government and Information Mr Ayanlade Ayantade, has recommended direct labour for the execution of local government community projects such as building of bridges and market stalls.

The use of direct labour, the commissioner observed, would reduce cost and enable local governments to execute more projects.

Mr Ayantade who made the observation during his current inspection tour of the Oluyole local government projects had earlier been informed that the N10,000 Oshun river bridge and the N5,000 Gbonghonguea bridge which he inspected were both constructed with direct labour.

He commended the local government for prudent spending and remarked that if the bridge had been given out on contracts they might have cost more than twice their costs.

The commissioner also inspected the local government's new treasury building constructed at a little over N17,500 at Mi-Ayanlu where he offered advice to the council.

Mr Ayantade had earlier in the day visited Ifrawa, headquarters of the Ibarapa local government, where he inspected the various projects including the staff



YOUTHS BUILD HEALTH CENTRE

from Lloyd Ajudua

A CALL has been made on all Nigerians to co-operate with registration officers in the forth-coming elections in this country in 1979.

Making the call before he declared open the maternity centre which was built by the Gure Youth Development Club at Gure, the Kaduru State Commissioner for Internal Affairs and Information, Maitam Dan'Azumi Kudaru, expressed happiness with the achievement of the club.

He then urged the people to co-operate with officials during the registration exercise which commenced last Saturday.

The commissioner pointed out that people who refused to be registered would not be allowed to cast any votes during the elections in 1979. It was therefore imperative that people of 18 years and above registered in order to vote and be voted for.

Maitam Dan'Azumi advised nomadic Fulanis to remain at home during the exercise so that they would be registered.

He then praised the people of Gure and urged them to make their maximum use of the maternity centre.

Meanwhile, the Saminaka Local Government Councillors have intensified their campaign for registration of voters in various parts of the local government area.

Also in Dutsin-Ma, the chairman of the Dutsin-Ma Local Government, Alhaji Balan Goggo, has warned religious fanatics in the area who thought that their religion prevented women in Purdah from being registered and for the 1979 general elections to discard such idea outright.

Alhaji Balan Goggo gave the warning at Rawayau during a campaign tour for the registration of voters.

The chairman described the registration exercise as one that demanded the co-operation of persons who were eligible to register and vote.

Governor's wife visits clinics

The wife of the Plateau State Governor, Mrs Maria Damuleiman visited hospitals in and around the state capital Jos, during the christmas holiday and distributed gifts to children. Seen here presenting a gift to a little girl during her visit.

PLEA FOR OSUN STATE INTENSIFIED

THE demand for carving out of another state from the present Oyo State with over five million people has been intensified by the people of Osun Local Government area in the state.

At a meeting of the Osun Development Committee, a cultural organisation, held at Osogbo, the people of 14 of the 24 local government areas of the state showed the need for the new state.

Those present at the meeting included representatives from Osun, three Jesha and one in Ife Local Governments.

A resolution calling for the creation of the state was adopted at the meeting.

The people demanded that the name of the new state should be called Osun State — after river Osun whose catchment, they claimed, covered the 14 local government areas.

They also demanded that the headquarters of the new state be sited at Oshogbo because of its geographical location and infrastructural facilities.

The people explained that the demand was not based on political sentiments, but rather, it was to enhance the economic situation of the areas concerned.



Contract on oil share signed

THE Federal Military Government through the Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation (NNPC), has acquired 55 percent interest in the petroleum operations hitherto carried out by Texaco Overseas (Nig.) Petroleum Company.

The participation agreement was signed on behalf of the Federal Military Government by the Commissioner for Petroleum Resources, Col M. Buhari while Texaco's Managing Director, Mr. G.R. Brown and Mr P. K. Roberts, signed on behalf of Texaco and Chevron. Picture here shows Col. Buhari (centre) and Mr G. R. Brown left) during the signing.

ESSAY AT OGS

3 emerge winners

The Rivers State Commissioner for Education Prince W. Tam David-West has sent a message of congratulations to the three final year students of Okrika Grammar School, Okrika who won the essay competition organised by the commissioner.

According to a release from the state Ministry of Education in Port Harcourt, the message of the prize-giving ceremony [illegible] GIRIA [illegible] last week was to encourage the boys in their academic work.

One of the six entries submitted by pupils of the school, three essays were taken as the best and prizes were given to the winners.

The proud winners are Master Dumeriye Ateme who got the first prize of N10 followed by Tolbert Sekibo with the second prize of N5 and Master Tamuno-Igbeiba Reuben came third with a prize of N3.

The Commissioner himself is sponsoring the prizes.



'Everywhere there is filth in Port Harcourt'

Inhabitants of some parts of Port Harcourt are very sad. Because anything could happen to their health any time. They are surrounded by filth.

Most affected are those in the Borokiri layout. And more grossly concerned are those living along Ethe Road along which is situated a new police senior staff quarters.

Our cameraman I. E. Ibiere was around the other day and these are what his camera caught.

Above is a mountain of rubbish along Ethe Street in Borokiri and below is yet a greater rubbish mountain along Ibu Street in Diobu.

Nature is indeed very kind to us!!



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(a) **Senior Administrative Officer:**
The successful candidate for this post will be responsible to the Administration Manager for the execution of approved personnel policies, salary administration, staff discipline and general personnel services.

Age Range: Thirty to forty (30-40) years.

Qualification Experience:

University degree in Economics Sociology or Law with at least five years post-qualification experience in a Government or large industrial commercial organisation.

(b) **Administrative Officers:**
The successful candidates will be responsible to the Senior Administrative Officer for the day-to-day personnel industrial and public relations activities of the Company.

Age Range: Twenty-five to thirty-five (25-35) years.

Qualification Experience:

A University degree or Higher National Diploma in Business Studies. At least two years post-qualification experience.

(c) **Transport Officer:**
Selected candidate will be responsible to the Senior Administrative Officer (Services) for the efficient organisation of the Company's pool vehicles and staff transport fleet.

Age Range: Twenty-five to thirty-five (25-35) years.

Qualification Experience:
Graduate of Institute of Transport with minimum of two years or West African School Certificate or General Certificate of Education equivalent of five years experience in transport administration in a large government or industrial/commercial organisation.

(d) **Catering Assistant:**
The successful candidate for this post will be responsible to the Catering Officer for the day-to-day running of the Company's staff canteen.

Age Range: Twenty-five to thirty-five (25-35) years.

Qualification Experience:
City & Guilds in Domestic Science and or Catering Course 150 and 151. Experience as a Catering Supervisor in a large establishment providing meals for over 500 persons.

2. ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT:

(a) Mechanical Engineers
(b) Electrical Engineers
(c) Instrument Engineers
(d) Automobile Engineer
(e) Planning Engineer
(f) Civil Engineer
(g) Assistant Mechanical Engineers Technologists
(h) Assistant Electrical Engineers Technologists
(i) Assistant Instrument Engineers Technologists
(j) Assistant Planning Engineer Technologist
(k) Assistant Civil Engineer Technologist
(l) Draughtsman.

Selected candidates (a)—(f) will be responsible to the Refinery Engineer through the Divisional Engineers for the efficient maintenance of related equipment and running of the mechanical, electrical, instrumentation, planning, automobile and civil works sections of the Engineering Department of the Company.

Age Range:
Candidates would be expected to be between the ages of thirty to forty years.

Qualification Experience:
Selected candidates for posts (a)—e should possess a University Degree in Mechanical or Electrical Engineering which must be registrable with COREN (Council of Registered Engineers of Nigeria). Four to five years post-qualification industrial experience.

Selected candidates for post (f) should possess a University Degree in Civil Engineering and must be registrable with COREN.
In all cases, experience in a Refinery or related oil industry will be an advantage.

(g)—(k) Assistant Engineers Technologists:
Candidates selected for Assistant Engineer's positions will be responsible through the Divisional/Sectional Heads for the efficient running of the relative Engineering Section to which they may be assigned.

Age Range: Twenty-five to thirty-five years.

Qualification Experience:
For the posts of Assistant Engineers (g)-(k), candidates should be University degree holders in the relative engineering field with at least one to three years post-qualification experience in related fields. In the case of Technologists, HND Holders.

(l) Draughtsman:
For post (l) Draughtsman, the selected candidate will assist the Senior Draughtsman with the preparation of Engineering Drawings.

Age Range: Twenty-five to thirty years.

Qualification/Experience:
City & Guilds Final or OND in Mechanical Engineering. At least two to three years as an Engineering Draughtsman covering mechanical, structural steel and piping drawings.

3. ACCOUNTS DEPARTMENT:

(a) **Finance Manager:**
The selected candidate will be responsible to the General Manager for the efficient administration of the financial policies of the Company. Must be able to introduce and maintain efficient financial and budgetry control systems within the Accounts Department of the Company.

Age Range: Thirty to forty-five years.

Qualification Experience:
Candidates for this post must possess a good accounting qualification; be a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants, Institute of Costs and Management Accountants; Association of Certified Accountants or Institute of Commercial Accountants.
At least ten years post-qualification experience with at least five years in a senior position in a large organisation. Some years in the petroleum or related industry will be an advantage.

(b) **Financial Accountant & Cost Accountant:**
Candidates for these two posts will be responsible to the Finance Manager for general financial matters, including cash, banking, exchange control, debtors and creditors' accounts, pension scheme, cost accounting relating to revenue and capital budget accounts.

Age Range: Thirty to forty years.

Qualification Experience:
Candidates for these posts must possess a good accounting qualification be a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants; Institute of Costs and Management Accountants; Association of Certified Accountants or Institute of Commercial Accountants.
Four to five years post-qualification experience with at least

4. INTERNAL AUDIT DEPARTMENT:

(a) **Assistant Internal Auditor:**
Selected candidate will be responsible to the Internal Auditor for efficient auditing of the Company's activities.

Age Range: Twenty-five to thirty-five years.

Qualification Experience:
Candidate for this post must possess good accounting qualification. Should be a newly qualified member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants or Institute of Cost and Management Accountants or Association of Certified Accountants. Two to three years post-qualification auditing experience in a government or large industrial commercial organisation.

5. OPERATIONS DEPARTMENT:

Pupil Process Engineers Operators:
Candidates for these posts will undergo a spell of training in processing and refining crude oil with a view to subsequent career either in plant management or process engineering. This will initially involve shift duty.

Age Range: Twenty-five to thirty-five years.

Qualification Experience:
A University degree in Chemical Engineering. Candidates applying for these posts must have completed their National Youth Corps Service or be serving members.
Applications will also be accepted from those with operational experience which shall receive due recognition.

6. PRODUCTION DEPARTMENT:

Assistant Co-ordinator:
The job involves Production Records and Estimates Co-ordination.

Age Range: Twenty-five to thirty-five years.

Qualification Experience:
Candidates for this post must be University graduates with B.Sc. Chemical Engineering or Chemistry. Must have completed the National Youth Corps Service programme. One to two years experience in production planning or Statistics Department of an industrial commercial establishment will be an advantage.

7. PLANT INSPECTION DEPARTMENT:

Plant Inspector:
The selected candidate for the post of Plant Inspector will be responsible to Chief Plant Inspector for the efficient inspection of all oil processing and statutory plant within the Refinery, Marketing and Jetty areas of the Company.

Age Range: Thirty to forty years.

Qualification Experience:
Candidate should be a graduate or HND Mechanical Engineering. First Class M.O.T. Certificate will be an advantage. Must have served and apprenticeship course in a Marine Engineering undertaking, with at least three years' post-qualification experience in an allied industry.

(b) **Assistant Plant Inspector:**
Candidate should be a graduate or HND Mechanical Engineering. First Class M.O.T. Certificate will be an advantage. Must have served an apprenticeship course in a Marine Engineering undertaking with at least two year's post-qualification experience in an allied industry.
Age Range: Twenty-five to thirty-five (25-35) years.

8. FIRE & SAFETY DEPARTMENT:

(a) **Safety Officer:**
Candidate selected for the post of Safety Officer will be responsible to the Head of Safety & Fire Department for ensuring safe operations within the Refinery.

Age Range: Twenty-five to thirty-five (25-35) years.

Qualification Experience:
A University degree or HND in Engineering. Should be conversant with statutory Safety Regulations and must have worked for, at least, three year's as an Assistant Safety Officer.

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Recruitment of Cadets

into the

NIGERIAN AIR FORCE

as Potential Pilots and other Professional Ground Duties

Applications are invited from suitably qualified male Nigerians for enlistment into the Nigerian Air Force as Potential Pilots and for other professional Ground Duties. Intending candidates are expected to fulfil the following conditions:-

(a) **Qualification:**

(1) West African School Certificate with credit in Mathematics, Physics Chemistry and at least a PASS in English Language.

OR

(2) GCE 'O' Level with a minimum of four Passes at a sitting including English Language, Mathematics and Physics Chemistry.

OR

(3) Teachers Grade II Certificate with merit in General Science, Mathematics and at least a PASS in English Language. Higher Educational Qualifications including the subject and grades stipulated in (1)–(3) will be an advantage.

(4) Candidates without relevant Science subjects but who possess WASC Division I or II will be considered for ground professional Duties.

(b) **Physical Fitness and Age Limit:**

Candidates must be between the ages of seventeen (17) and twenty-two (22) years as at 1 January, 1978 should be physically fit and not less than 5ft 4 inches in height. Candidates will have to satisfy, in addition, the requisite Medical Examination as prescribed for Pilots/Ground Professional Cadets in the Nigerian Air Force.

2. **Entry and Training Conditions:**

(a) Candidates who satisfy the educational requirements will be made to undergo the following:-
(1) Qualifying Academic Test.
(2) Medical Examinations.
(3) Flying Aptitude Tests for Potential Pilots.

(b) Candidates who successfully complete the processes detailed under paragraph 2a above will be interviewed by an Air Force Selection Board. Those selected will proceed to the Nigerian Air Force, Ground Training Group, Kaduna for six months Military Training.

(c) At the end of the Military Training, the successful Cadets will commence Primary, followed by Basic Flying/Ground Professional Training at the completion of which Military Pilot Licences will be issued to the Pilots. Cadets will be Commissioned as Pilot Officers after approximately thirty months Cadet Training.

(d) Any Pilot Cadet who discontinues Flying Training either by loss of Flying Aptitude, Medical or Misconduct will be discharged from the Nigerian Air Force.

(e) Candidates must be single and will remain single throughout the period of training.

(f) **Allowances:**
In addition to the normal monthly emoluments for Cadets, each Flight Cadet will receive Flying allowance with effect from the date he commences flying training. Cadets are provided free feeding and accommodation until commissioned.

3 Intending applicants are to report in person on Wednesday, 01 Feb. 1978 at 0900 hours with:-

(a) (1) Four passport size photographs (with names at the back).

(2) Four photostat copies each of:-

(a) Testimonials (including one each from the Principal of the last school attended and present employer, if any.

(b) Educational Certificates.

(c) Birth Certificate or Age Declaration.

(b) (1) Applicants from the under-mentioned States will report at the Nigerian Air Force Base as stated below:-

Lagos State	— Nigerian Air Force, Air Transport Group Ikeja.
Kaduna State	— Nigerian Air Force, Ground Training Group Kaduna,
Kano State	— Nigerian Air Force, Flying Training Group Kano.
Bendel State	— Nigerian Air Force Light & Liaison Helicopter Wing Benin.
Anambra State	— Nigerian Air Force, HQ Air Defence Wing Enugu.
Benue State	— Nigerian Air Force, Air Defence Wing Makurdi.
Rivers State	— Nigerian Air Force, Ground Training Wing Port Harcourt,

(2) Applicants from the undermentioned States will report to the Military Governor's Office in each State Capital:-

Oyo State	— Military Gov's. Office
Ondo State	— " " "
Bauchi State	— " " "
Cross River State	— " " "
Niger State	— " " "
Plateau State	— " " "
Sokoto State	— " " "
Kwara State	— " " "
Borno State	— " " "

NIIA AND FOREIGN

A SERIES of articles has been written as rejoinders to my Ibadan speech, "Re-Ordering Nigerian Foreign Policy" — by Mr Paul Onum (Political Editor of the Punch), Mallam Mahmud H. Tukur (Lecturer at Ahmadu Bello University and to be confused with the Vice-Chancellor of the University, Kano) and Dr Chuba Okadigbo (University of Nigeria, Nsukka). There were several issues raised in these rejoinders which deal with the communication flow between the government and the public on foreign policy issues.

Assertions have been made and conclusions reached which are simply not true. These assertions would not have been made and these conclusions would not have been reached if the government itself had released more information on these issue.

In a forthcoming lecture in April at the Institute, titled "Foreign Policy and Public Diplomacy", I intend to deal at length with these issues.

However, there are two separate issues which also featured in the rejoinders which demand immediate attention. The first deals with the role of the Institute in the foreign policy decision-making process while the second deals with the "exclusivity" or "monopoly" of the generators of ideas for the Institute.

The role of the Institute of International Affairs is one that is highly misunderstood. It should be made clear that Institute does not formulate Nigerian foreign policy. Rather the Institute seeks to influence Nigerian foreign policy by making available data collected through the full-time of our activities.

We carry out four separate public activities at the Institute: four conferences annually, one lecture monthly, one internal seminar monthly and ad hoc seminars on topical issues as they arise.

The proceedings of each conference, lecture and seminar, are made available to different levels of government. The Ministry of External Affairs, the Supreme Military Council, the Council of States and the Federal Executive Council. The proceedings are also made available to members of the public who are prepared to pay for them.

It should be obvious, then, what the Institute does is to seek to influence policy in a general sort of way by making data and analysis of the data available to the government and the public. It is, in a way, a form of enlightenment exercise and not the day to day involvement in details of policy as is popularly believed.



by DR A. BOLAJI AKINYEMI
Director-General, NIIA.

The Ministry of External Affairs has the constitutional advisory role in foreign policy. The Institute was not set up to duplicate this role and it does not try to do so.

What the Institute does, (and this is what every editor of a newspaper who sets out to write a well-reasoned editorial on foreign policy does) is through data and analysis of the data to provide those who advise the government with options and the implications of these options.

It should also be obvious that to the extent that most of our materials are also available to the public, the Institute's role in foreign policy is not the manipulative role that is often ascribed to it.

The second issue which I should like to discuss here deals with

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Moment of truth

by



BOBO BROWN

In these tragic days of the Nigerian Civil War on one side of the conflict, anyone who failed to come out for the morning census each day was usually counted out. Tears were shed with great economy to ensure minimum waste of body-salt since replacement cost a fortune. And so without much ado the fallen number was filed away in the troubled memories of beloved ones to rest in peace.

Life these days is nothing short of a silent war. All the ingredients are almost complete: hunger, scarcity, confusion, tension and many more. The pity is that some casualties do not get more than a sigh from us, so many people seem to be failing, anyway.

Dr Balogun is the Lagos State Commissioner for Special Duties at the time of writing this piece. He is a man whose office leaves one with an ambivalent posture. One sincerely envies the aspect of it that includes a job whose salary is not so low as to prohibit, a mandatory albeit temporary enjoyment of a convenient residence and a car. These are three commodities for which thousands of Nigerians in Lagos metropolis will give a pound of flesh to taste. But I am certainly not surprised by that part of the office which has to do with explaining explosive government decisions, like increase in bus fares to the public; moreso, when the commissioner's strongest armour against public indignation is seemingly nothing more than possession of lean statistics to the effect that the public can afford the rise in fares.

What Dr Balogun has announced is an undeniable bad news to Nigerians in the Lagos metropolis who commute by public transport. And the Lagos State Government should not pretend that the public are not allowed any choice in the matter since its present decision is going to lead to the utmost discomfiture of the affected masses.

If Dr Balogun had rested his case on the hope that since Lagosians are a special breed of Nigerians and that they can accommodate the new measure, he would have sounded more convincing.

Indeed the average Lagosian apart from every other attribute, is visibly endowed with combination of wrestling and boxing skills on which he depends to gain a place in a bus. Often the passenger boards the bus in parts, his portfolio goes in before he runs his way through a human wall to await the probable arrival of one foot of his pair of shoe!

The state-owned corporation buses are themselves moving bundles of acute inconvenience, carrying two categories of passengers who are charged the same fare 42 first class passengers are allowed to sit while 58 and healthy Lagosians must stand glued together in steaming heat as second class passengers.

What is happening in Lagos is fast spreading to other Nigerian cities and not much is being done to ease the chaos. In the Lagos State Government now asking Lagosians to pay more for the indignity of commuting by public transport?

Still there is a more disturbing aspect of Dr Balogun's reported encounter with pressmen on the issue. Dr Balogun is said to have asserted that the increase in bus fares would not further destroy the precarious financial balance of a Lagosian on level 01 whose family relies on public transport. We wish the Lagos State Government will keep such an opinion strictly to itself.

One hopes it would not be that our policy-makers are growing more and more divorced from the pitiable destitution of an overwhelming majority of Nigerians. Is it that the anguished cry of the governed is not penetrating the wall of relative luxury that surrounds Nigerian elites who enjoy an air-conditioned existence?

Or how can we explain this rash of increase in school fees, electricity-bill, medical-charges and prices of other equally insufficient public goods while government stands aside wringing its hands in pious resignation with an eye on possible prestige projects?

What we want is an urgent practical guarantee that such a situation is undergoing radical change. Ordinary Nigerians want to be assured in concrete terms that those who make authoritative prescriptions for society are sufficiently imaginative about the plight of the masses.

Or should a programme of "Operation know your subjects" be introduced to regularly acquaint policy-makers with untinted facts about those they govern?

Dr Balogun is a lucky man that he did not choose to announce the increase in bus fares at the Tafawa Balewa Square. Otherwise he would have faced the moment of truth in the hands of pedestrian citizens who know better than the Lagos State Government about their financial capability in the face of a biting inflation-monster that the government is apparently feeding a tooth.

EROSION: IS

THAT the Federal Government has proposed to dam the River Niger and the River Benue at Lokoja is welcome news to all the people living in the lower flood plain of the River Niger and who have been suffering in silence over the years from annual flood disaster.

It is common knowledge to Nigerians that every year the River Niger overflows its banks with the result that settlements in the lower Niger flood plain are either submerged or surrounded by the flood. This disaster produces far effects on the life style of the people.

Farm crops are usually harvested before they are due and or destroyed in the flooding.

Some parts or all of a settlement in some cases are flooded and the inhabitants are either forced to abandon or build temporary houses on stilts.

Their farming season is very much dictated by the rise and fall of the river. And since farm crops by and large are harvested before they are actually mature, there is not enough food produced even for local consumption.

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such contributors as Dr U. O.Umozurike from University of Nigeria, Enugu campus, Mr Fadahunsi from Ahmadu Bello University, Professor S. A. Aluko from the University of Ife and Dr E. O. Uhobo from the private sector—just to mention a few.

Ad-Hoc Seminars: The Institute often puts on one-day seminars on topical issues. The most recent one was to discuss the Foreign Policy Provisions of the Draft Constitution. This seminar was attended by dons from Nsukka, Lagos and Ife. Other universities were not represented because they did not respond to our invitations.

Public Lectures: This has been the most public of the Institute's activities. Lecturers have come for example from the Central Bank (Chief Falegan, the Director of Research), Universities of Lagos (Professor Awolowo and Dr. Alomo), Ibadan (the late Dr Alibola), ABU (Mallam Avuba Kadzai), Enugu (Dr Chukwurah, Prof. A. O. Arua), etc.

Two conclusions are obvious. Firstly, the ideas generated at the Institute are not the work of a cabal. In fact, the Institute has been turned into a forum for the articulation of ideas by a very wide sector of the Nigerian elite. To that extent, any influence that the Institute may have will have to be influence exerted by the force of ideas generated by a wide circle of scholars from the Universities, the mass media and the private sector.

To this extent then Mr Onum the Political Editor of the Punch is wrong to assert that only a handful of people generate ideas for Nigerian foreign policy.

Secondly, it is obvious that the relationship between the Universities and the Institute cannot be possibly closer than it is now. Dr Okadigbo a member of the Constituent Assembly was taking some liberty with the facts when he insinuated in his rejoinder in the New Nigerian of December 29, 1977 that the Institute had no relationship with Departments of Political Science of Nigerian Universities.

Dr Okadigbo was not only invited to present a paper in the last conference of the Institute on the New International Economic Order, but was put in charge of distributing the invitations to his colleagues at the University of Nigeria, Nsukka. He neither turned up nor distributed the invitations.

Dr Okadigbo was also asked to contribute a paper to the Institute's ANNUAL SURVEY OF NIGERIAN AFFAIRS. He agreed but no article has been forthcoming, inspite of the fact that the deadline passed several months ago.

I am also sure that Dr Okadigbo knows that Dr Yuki Obisa and Mazi Ray Ofoegbu (both of Department of Political Science), Dr Oseke and Dr Chukwurah (both of the Faculty of Law) all of University of Nigeria, Nsukka have been



Brigadier Joseph GARBA
Federal Commissioner for External Affairs

active participants in the Institute's conferences and seminars.

As regards the relationship between the Institute and Nigerian scholarly societies, the situation cannot be more beneficial. Not only are their members involved in the activities of the Institute, the Institute has assumed financial responsibility for the NIGERIAN ANNUAL OF INTERNATIONAL LAW, a publication of the Nigerian Society of International Law.

The Institute is also going to be financially responsible for the NIGERIAN JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL STUDIES, a publication of the Nigerian Society of International Affairs. If Dr Okadigbo is really as involved in university affairs and the affairs of Nigerian scholarly societies as he wants us to believe, surely he would have been aware of all these things.

Finally, it is a sad commentary on the university community of Nigeria, to which I also belong, that it is only Mr Onum's articles that show detachment of language. The languages of both Mallam Tukur and Dr Okadigbo were rather intemperate. Intemperate language is not a sign of strength or scholarship; it often masks the weakness of one's argument and should have no room in a debate on foreign policy.

ROPOSED DAM
THE ANSWER



HIEF A. A. AKENE

So the Federal Government deserves a hearty congratulation for this bold attempt to ensure even development of all sections of the Nigerian community through this simple formula of damming the two rivers that have made life unbearably harsh for some Nigerians.

Definitely as and when it materialises fully, the life style of the people will change. From fishing and small scale agriculture to scientific fish farming because the river alone can not produce enough fish, and also, with disappearance of most of the swamps, places where fish breed will also vanish. And to substitute them the people will have to embark on fish farming.

Additionally, large areas will have become available for large-scale agriculture, vegetable growing, rice cultivation and plantation agriculture, etc.

Roads also can be constructed to produce the desired network of communication.

bane of the communities of lower Niger flood plain, they will cease to be an impediment to their economic and physical development.

Already the East-West Expressway passing through a difficult terrain such as the swamp land between Mbama and Patani is a case in point. As already pointed out above, it does not mean that development can not take place but that the inhibiting factor is the annual phenomenon called flood which has become the bug-bear of the people of the Niger Delta which extends to Onitsha and beyond.

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	OFN 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, Ebk, 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, Efi and Yoruba	"
09.15	Travers Special	RSP/CGR
10.00	The News	NP
10.10	Network Programme Promotion NBC Forum Brains Trust	"
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12.00	News On The Hour	"
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12.30	Records Label (Ekwu Magazine) Ekeeze 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 Galaxy (Comm)	RSP/CGS
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14.33	Sound Galaxy (Comm)	RSP/CGR
15.30	State News in English, Ikwerre 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, Ebk 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 Ebelesi	RSP/LIVE
19.00	News Panorama	NP
19.30	Alriam Music on Records (Comm)	RSP/LIVE
19.45	News in Kanuri, Efik and Yoruba	NP
20.00	State News In English	RSP/LIVE
20.10	State News summary in Ikwerre, Kalabari, Ijaw 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 Constituent Assembly	"
21.20	Interlude	"
21.30	Forum Brains Trust	"
22.00	The News	"
22.10	News Analysis	"
22.15	Educational Service	RSP/TAPE
22.30	Cultural Landscape	NP
23.00	News On The Hour	LIVE CGR
23.03	My Favourites	DUTY ANNOUNCER
23.13	Evening Worship (Hausa Tie)	NP
23.23	Just For You	RSP/LIVE
00.00	News At Midnight	NP
01.05	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

Rural development through education



by James B. Etim

ONE of the greatest hindrances to the successful implementation of any development plan is illiteracy.

Where illiteracy rate is high as is presently the case with our communities, progress is impeded because illiteracy keeps one in darkness and ignorance.

Illiterates are separated from progress and outside events. They often feel humiliated and are suspicious. Illiterates often feel that they are suppressed and cheated by the literates. This feeling quite often may be a hindrance to political development.

It is even believed that the greatest evil of illiteracy is that it is an obstacle to development. There is also some correlation between the level of literacy and the level of development and in consequence the level of income per capita.

Studies have revealed that illiterate communities are backward.

Africa, for example is backward because her illiteracy rate is high. The illiteracy rate for Africa is said to be between 74 and 84 per cent far above the illiteracy rate of 35 per cent which is regarded as a requisite for a development take off. In order to reduce the backwardness of any community, attempts must be made to eradicate illiteracy.

The people must be educated, for education is a necessary tool for the successful implementation of community development projects.

Education in this article will be used in two senses. When people talk of education, they most commonly refer to the teaching of children in schools. Quite often, they think that their children have finished their education when they graduate from high schools or universities.

Education has a wide meaning when it includes any method of obtaining knowledge by persons or group of persons even after they have left school or have grown up.

With regard to our first meaning of education, namely education of our children in primary and secondary schools and in the universities, this is necessary because it is the only way by which any community can give its young men and women the opportunity of being educated.

The present generation will supply the future manpower which will be required by the community. Every society endeavours therefore to give its young men and women the type of education which it deems necessary for that society. What may be suitable for one country may not necessarily be suitable for another.

Developing countries may plan their education to make them catch up with the developed countries of the world. That is why developing countries devote a considerable proportion of their national budgets to education.

The Nigerian Government in her development programme has earmarked several millions of naira for education. The UPE scheme was launched in 1976.

We all know that the aim of the UPE scheme is to provide equal educational opportunities for all Nigerian children irrespective of where they live or the financial position of their parents.

We had noticed in the past that many brilliant children did not have the opportunity of completing their primary education because their parents could not afford to pay their fees and provide them with the necessary text books and clothes.

The successful implementation of the UPE will ensure a complete eradication of illiteracy among our young people.

Some countries in the world adopted a free compulsory education and they were able to eradicate illiteracy within a few decades and were therefore able to step up their economy. Japan is a good example.

It is said that the sudden rise in the Japanese economy is due to the establishment of a system of compulsory universal education which practically eliminated illiteracy, by the end of the 19th century.

In addition to primary education, secondary education and university education are necessary for the community and the nation. There are some types of jobs which can be done only by those who have had high education plus some training. For example, medicine, engineering to mention only two.

Unless a community can train its young men and women as doctors, nurses, teachers etc. the development of that community is bound to be slow.

We do assume that our educational planners will make sure the type of education provided for our young men and women today will be such that will enable them to live satisfactory lives in their own surroundings. In other words, the best type of education for our children is the one that will help them to earn their living when they leave school.

It is not the type of education which makes our children look for only white-collar jobs, but the type that makes it possible for some of them to remain in their rural communities and share in their development.

We are all aware of the present tendency for school leavers to drift into big cities. One factor that may bring about a change would be the provision of the type of education that would make school leavers want to remain in the rural areas.

We are aware of the plans by the various state governments to make the rural areas a bit more attractive than they are now (i.e. by means of infrastructure). This is a step in the right direction, but equally important is the re-orientation of our present primary school curriculum to make it possible for some children to learn things associated with rural environment.

If the education our children have now must be of any use to their communities we must not only stress the importance of acquiring facts or knowledge, but we must lay emphasis on character building. Religious teaching in our schools should be encouraged.

Parents must be reminded that too much freedom does no child any good. Teachers need the co-operation of parents.

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Mothers have a vital role to play in the moulding of a child's character. There is therefore the need for our communities to shed the prejudices against women's education.

The role of women in society need not be over emphasised. Our young girls should be given the same opportunities that are given to their brothers.

The second meaning of education includes any method of obtaining knowledge by persons or group of persons after they have grown up. We can simply call it Adult Education.

The adults who are the executors of the current community developments projects need to be educated. Those adults between the ages of 25-30 years should be given the knowledge which will help them to perform their development tasks. No community can wait until the present school young pupils have finished their studies.

But it is unfortunate that we seem to believe that as soon as one has graduated from higher school or university one has reached the end of his education. It is also unfortunate to note that when educational plans are made, very little attention is paid to adult education. (I don't know if there has been an improvement by now). Yet the adults form the bulk of the population and they should not be left out in any educational planning.

If our communities must advance educationally, socially and economically, our illiterates must be educated. They do not need the kind of education which our young people must have, but a kind of literacy in which they will be interested. The literacy class which the ministries of education used to conduct should be encouraged.

By all means illiterates who can be persuaded to attend the classes should be encouraged to do so. It would be a very good thing for our society if the majority of the people were able to read at least the vernacular and write. Literates need to keep on learning if they are to improve the community in which they live.



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Federal Commissioner for Education

What type of education will interest the adult? It is the education that will have rural meaning for the adult, the type that has relevance to what the adult does to earn his living, how the adult lives and what he eats.

It is the education about farming, health, good government etc. that would interest the adult.

Finally I wish to appeal to the Nigerian Government not to turn down the application for the award of scholarships to Nigerian Students already abroad. The plight of these students is better experienced than described especially with the high rate of world-wide inflation.

Not only will the award of scholarships save Nigerian students from being stranded abroad, it will also induce them to return home after their studies and supply the nation with the much needed manpower.

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ALESA — ELEME, PORT HARCOURT

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STAFF VACANCIES

(b) **Assistant Safety Officer:**

The candidate for the post of Assistant Safety Officer will assist the Safety Officer in ensuring safe operations within the Refinery.

Age Range: Twenty-five to thirty-five years.

Qualification Experience:

An HND or OND Certificate in Engineering. Should be conversant with Statutory Safety Regulation and must have worked for at least two years in an oil or related industry as an Operator.

9. **TECHNICAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT:**

(a) **Development Engineers:**

The job involves continuous study of possible development areas in a Refinery complex servicing a fast growing market.

Age Range: Twenty-five to thirty-five years.

Qualification Experience:

Candidate for this post should possess a University degree in either Chemical, Mechanical or Electrical Engineering registrable with COREN. At least, three years related experience in a Refinery or other allied industries utilising typical refinery mechanical and process control equipment and associated electrics.

(b) **Process Design Engineers:**

The job involves undertaking technical studies for the purpose of providing technical cost basis for plant modification and projects evaluation.

Age Range: Twenty-five to thirty-five years.

Qualification Experience:

Candidates for this post should possess a University degree in Chemical or Mechanical Engineering registrable with COREN. Experience in Refinery operating procedures necessary to the Shift Control level. Plant Design experience/Computer Application experience is an advantage.

(c) **Analytical Chemist:**

The job involves detailed qualitative and quantitative analysis, both organic and inorganic, of minor constituents of refinery products.

Age Range: Twenty-five to thirty-five years.

Qualification Experience:

Candidates for this post should hold a University degree in Chemistry with at least two years post-qualification experience in analytical work in an industrial laboratory.

(d) **Computer Services Superintendent:**

The post-holder will be responsible for the day-to-day running of the Computer Section and bears technical responsibility to Management for data processing.

Age Range: Thirty to fourty years.

Qualification Experience:

A University degree in Sciences or Maths. or professional qualification in Computer Sciences. Five to six years experience in data processing.

(e) **Systems Analyst:**

The job involves designing and programming of new Computer systems and amendments to existing systems.

Age Range: Twenty-five to thirty-five years.

Qualification Experience:

A University degree in Sciences or Maths., or professional qualification in Computer Sciences. Technical qualification in computer programming desirable. At least, two years experience as a System Analyst.

(f) **Senior Programmer:**

The job involves writing, testing and documenting all Computer Programmes required for Systems and providing expert training and guidance to Assistant Programmer.

Age Range: Twenty-five to thirty years.

Qualification Experience:

West African School Certificate or its equivalent with formal training in at least one programming language. A minimum of two years as a Programmer in COBOL programming language. Knowledge of FORTRAN language desirable.

10. **MATERIALS & SERVICES DEPARTMENT:**

(a) **Materials & Services Controller:**

The job involves maintenance of materials supplies in economic relation to demand. Maintenance of up-to-date records in respect of stock holdings and service activities. Negotiation and procurement of all materials, equipment and services required by the Company. Liaison with Government Authorities, shipping agents, and contractors.

Age Range: Thirty-five to fourty-five years.

Qualification Experience:

Candidates for this post must be holders of University degree in Commerce Economics or Business Administration or Diploma of the Institute of Purchasing & Supply. Membership of related professional bodies will be an advantage. At least, five years post-qualification experience in a reputable organization, two of which must have been spent within a Stores/Purchasing Division.

(b) **Purchasing Officer:**

The job involves placing inquiries on behalf of user-departments, market surveying for price fluctuations, stock availability and sources of supply. Placing of orders and procurement of materials and services from local suppliers and contractors.

Age Range: Twenty-five to thirty-five years.

Qualification Experience:

University degree in Commerce Economics Business Administration or related studies. GCE A L or West African School Certificate and Diploma of the Institute of Purchasing & Supply. At least, five years experience in the stores section of a large industrial commercial concern.

(c) **Materials Storage Cargo Officers:**

The job involves supervision of material's receipt, storage and issue. Inventory control and documentation of stock movements. Supervision and direction of adequate labour force necessary for efficient materials handling.

Age Range: Twenty-five to thirty five years.

Qualification Experience:

West African School Certificate, Diploma of the Institute of Purchasing & Supply, or an appropriate qualification of recognized institution in Storekeeping and stock verification. At least three to five years practical experience in materials handling in the oil or allied industry.

(d) **Technical Buyer:**

The job involves liaison with and procurement of all technical equipment from overseas and local suppliers for Refinery operations.

Age Range: Twenty-five to thirty-five years.

Qualification Experience:

O.N.D. or O.N.C qualification in mechanical engineering. Candidates for this post MUST be familiar with Engineering Standards and specifications such as A.S.M.E, A.T.S.I., E.S.A.P.I. and T.E.M.A. codes. At least three to four years post-qualification experience in the procurement of engineering materials and spares.

In all posts there will be attractive salaries coupled with good conditions of service. Salary will be negotiable depending upon experience. Application giving full details of qualification and experience to-date should be forwarded to the most convenient of the addresses listed above.

Eastern Areas:

Head of Administration,
Nigerian Petroleum Refining Company Limited,
P.O. Box 595,
Port Harcourt.

Lagos and Western Areas:

Head of Administration,
Nigerian Petroleum Refining Company Limited,
P.O. Box 2191,
Lagos.

Northern Areas:

Head of Administration,
Nigerian Petroleum Refining Company Limited,
c/o Federal Ministry of Trade,
1, Ali Akilu Road,
P.O. Box 2047,
Kaduna.

to arrive not later than 27th January 1978. Envelopes should be sealed and marked "APLCN: NPRC".

Classified Adverts

Change of Name

BANIGO — I, formerly known and called as Miss Afolabi Tajudeen Oseni Banigo now wish to be known, called and addressed as Mrs Afolabi Tajudeen Oseni Banigo. All documents bearing my former name remain valid. Ministry of Education, Schools Management Board, Teachers Service Commission, the staff and students of Government Teacher Training College should take note. Mrs Afolabi Tajudeen Oseni Banigo.

AMADI — I, formerly known, called and addressed as Josephine Amadi now wish to be known, called and addressed as Dalhatu Josephine Amadi. All documents bearing my former name remain valid. Ministry of Education, Schools Management Board, Teachers Service Commission, the staff and students of Government Teacher Training College should take note. Mallam Dalhatu Amadi.

ATALAWEI — I, formerly known as Miss Perekuh Ingonime Mollawei now wish to be known and addressed as Mrs Perekuh Ingonime Adikwu-Ekuta henceforth. All documents bearing my former name remain valid. Ministry of Education, please take note. Mrs P. I. Adikwu Ekuta.

AYOOLA — I, formerly known and addressed as Miss Ayoola Olufunke Ogunbiyi now wish to be known and addressed as Mrs Olufunke Ogunbiyi Ayoola. All documents bearing my former name remain valid. Ministry of Education, please take note. Mrs Olufunke Ogunbiyi Ayoola.

OTUENESI — I, formerly known and addressed as Otto Otuenesi now wish to be known and addressed as Chief John Otuenesi Mbiriki-Ladeli. All documents bearing my former name remain valid. Ministry of Education, Rivers State Ministry of Establishments, Schools and the general public, please take note. Chief J. O. Mbiriki-Ladeli.

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My name "Mumtaz Ahmed" c/o Mr Mohd Shafi is now completely without an "Mumtaz Ahmed Taji". The Federal Public Service Commission and other Teaching Service Commissions please note. However, all my documents bearing Mumtaz Ahmed remain valid.

N30 REWARD FOR LOST DOCUMENTS

Water proof bag containing a Gd Certificate, Tax receipts and other valuable documents belonging to Mr Maxwell Okoro of Central State School Igwuruta was forgotten in a car between Umuahia and Port Harcourt.

Finder please return to:
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VACANCY

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SALARY:

Will be attractive but will depend on qualification and experience. Contributory fringe benefits for the post include housing allowance, free medical facility. Any candidate at present earning less than ₦2,000.00 per month need not apply.

Applications which must be received by 17th February, 1978 should be addressed to:

The Administrative Manager,
P.M.B. 5503,
Port Harcourt.

Rivers-Gulf Fisheries Limited
Port Harcourt.

VACANCY

Applications are invited from suitably qualified candidates for the post of Port Manager in the RIVERS GULF FISHERIES LIMITED, PORT HARCOURT.

QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE:

The Post will be of interest to applicants with proven leadership qualities, drive, initiative and honest. In addition, applicant should possess West African School Certificate plus Skippers or Mate Certificate of competency issued by the Federal Ministry of Transport.

Preference will be given to those with experience in Fishing Industry.

SALARY:

Negotiable, depending on qualification and experience. Fringe benefits include car advance and allowance, free medical services for self and family and housing allowance.

METHOD OF APPLICATION:

Applications in Candidates own hand-writing, stating age, qualifications, working experience, Present salary and employer, with photo copies of relevant certificates and Testimonials should be addressed to:-

The Administrative Manager/Secretary,
Rivers-Gulf Fisheries Limited,
Harold Wilson Drive,
P.O. Box 997,
PORT HARCOURT.

To reach him not later than January, 31st 1978.

VACANCIES

A reputable firm of Chartered Accountants with branches in various parts of the Federation need the following staff:

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All applications should be sent to:

The Resident Partner,
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SALARY:

Good with excellent fringe benefits.

Applications should be directed to:

Personnel Manager,
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P. O. Box 607,
Benin City.

closing date: 17th January, 1978

VACANCY

Applications are invited from suitably qualified candidates to fill a post of "CONFIDENTIAL SECRETARY".

QUALIFICATION:

West African School Certificate with credit in English language or G.C.E. ordinary level Certificate in four subjects including English plus RSA 100/50 words per minute in short hand and typing respectively.

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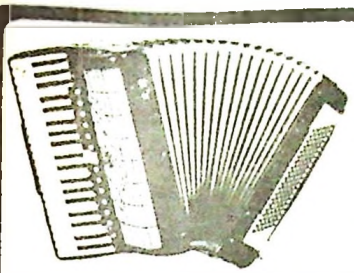
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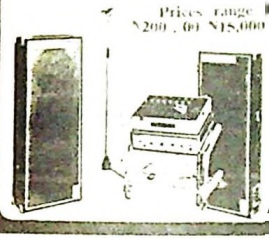
METHOD OF APPLICATION:

Applications should be in candidate's handwriting stating age, qualification and experience to be addressed to:

The General Manager,
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47, Trans-Amadi Industrial Layout,
P. O. Box 602,
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The assets will be sold on condition "as is where is". Prospective bidders are advised to inspect before tendering separately for each unit. They can be inspected in our Kidney Island Water Transport Department, Port Harcourt.

Tenders should state clearly the tender reference number and must be submitted by 27th January, 1978 and addressed to:-

Write-Off Committee (Divisional Tender Board),
Shell-BP Petroleum Development Company of
Nigeria Limited,
P.O. Box 263,
PORT HARCOURT.

CONDITIONS OF SALE:

1. The sale of the above is conducted on the basis that once a purchaser makes an offer he will abide by the following conditions or orders as laid down by Shell-BP Petroleum Development Company of Nigeria (Here-inafter called the Company).
2. Successful bidders will be required to pay by Cash or Bank Draft.
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4. The Company is not responsible for any loss, damage or costs incurred by the purchaser in respect of tendering.
5. The Company accepts no liability for the goods while they are on Company premises.

Public Notice

We the children and heirs of Late Chief D. J. S. Amachree of No. 5 Diaone Polo, Bugana, Rivers State wish to inform the members of the Public, that owners of properties which do not belong to Late Chief and Mrs. D. J. S. Amachree and their children, now kept in No. 5 Diaone Polo Bugana to please remove them before or on the 25th February, 1978.

It is therefore expressed emphatically that any failure to adhere strictly to the given deadline will have him herself to blame, for unclaimed properties will be dumped out. No correspondence between us and any party after 25th February, 1978 idest Tuesday will be entertained.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the public that THE SACRED CHURCH OF GOD CHERUBIM & SERAPHIM SOCIETY (MOUNT OF SALVATION) has applied for registration under the Land (Perpetual Succession) Cap 98.

Any objection to this should be sent to the Permanent Secretary Ministry of Internal Affairs Ikoyi within Twenty-one (21) days starting from the date of this publication.

The Most Senior Prophet Apostle
Godwin J. Aire
Founder

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RECRUITMENT OF CADETS

INTO THE

NIGERIAN AIR FORCE

As Potential Pilots and other professional ground duties

Applications are invited from suitably qualified male Nigerians for enlistment into the Nigerian Air Force as Potential Pilots and for other professional Ground Duties. Intending candidates are expected to fulfil the following conditions:-

2. *(a)* **Qualification:—**

(1) West African School Certificate with credit in Mathematics, Physics Chemistry and at least a PASS in English Language.

OR

(2) GCE 'O' Level with a minimum of four Passes at a sitting including English Language, Mathematics and Physics Chemistry.

OR

(3) Teachers Grade II Certificate with merit in General Science, Mathematics and at least a PASS in English Language. Higher Educational Qualifications including the subject and grades stipulated in (1)-(3) will be an advantage.

(4) Candidates without relevant Science subjects but who possess WASC Division I or II will be considered for ground professional Duties.

(b) **Physical Fitness and Age Limit:**

Candidates must be between the ages of seventeen and twenty-two years as at 1st January, 1978 should be physically fit and not less than 5 ft. 4 inches in height. Candidates will have to satisfy, in addition, the requisite Medical Examination as prescribed for Pilots Ground Professional Cadets in the Nigerian Air Force.

2. **Entry and Training Conditions:**

(a) Candidates who satisfy the educational requirements will be made to undergo the following:-

(1) Qualifying Academic Test

(2) Medical Examinations

(3) Flying Aptitude Tests for Potential Pilots.

(b) Candidates who successfully complete the processes detailed under paragraph 2a above will be interviewed by an Air Force Selection Board. Those selected will proceed to the Nigerian Air Force, Ground Training Group, Kaduna for six months Military Training.

(c) At the end of the Military Training, the successful Cadets will commence Primary, followed by Basic Flying Ground Professional Training at the completion of which Military Pilot Licences will be issued to the Pilots. Cadets will be Commissioned as Pilot Officers after approximately thirty months Cadet Training.

(d) Any Pilot Cadet who discontinues Flying Training either by loss of Flying Aptitude, Medical or Misconduct will be discharged from the Nigerian Air Force.

(e) Candidates must be single and will remain single throughout the period of training.

(f) **Allowances:**
In addition to the normal monthly emoluments for Cadets, each Flight Cadet will receive Flying Allowance with effect from the date he commences flying training. Cadets are provided free feeding and accommodation until commissioned.

3. Intending applicants are to report in person on Wednesday 15 Febuary, 1978 at 0900 hours with:-

(a) (1) Four Passport size photographs (with names at the back).

(2) Four photostat copies each of:-

(a) Testimonials (including one each from the Principal of the last school attended and present employer, if any.

(b) Educational Certificates.

(c) Birth Certificate or Age Declaration.

(b) (1) Applicants from the under-mentioned States will report at the Nigerian Air Force Base as stated below:-

Lagos State	—	Nigerian Air Force Air Transport Group Ikeja.
Kaduna State	—	Nigerian Air Force Ground Training Group Kaduna.
Kano State	—	Nigerian Air Force, Flying Training Group Kano.
Bendel State	—	Nigerian Air Force, Light & Liaison Helicopter Wing Benin.
Anambra State	—	Nigerian Air Force, HQ Air Defence Wing Enugu.
Benue State	—	Nigerian Air Force, Air Defence Wing Makurdi.
Rivers State	—	Nigerian Air Force, Ground Training Wing Port Harcourt.

(2) Applicants from the under-mentioned States will report to the Military Governor's Office in each State Capital:-

Oyo State	—	Military Gov's Office
Ondo State	—	Military Gov's Office
Bauchi State	—	" " "
Cross River State	—	" " "
Niger State	—	" " "
Plateau State	—	" " "
Sokoto State	—	" " "
Kwara State	—	" " "
Borno State	—	" " "
Gongola State	—	" " "
Imo State	—	" " "
Ogun State	—	" " "

Its verbal war!

Tidesport

IEFEREBO ACCEPTS OLOMU'S CHALLENGE

A VERBAL war in African traditional wrestling, has raged between Port Harcourt and Lagos.
The verbal war followed the acceptance of a challenge thrown late last week by Matthew Olomu, a light weight traditional wrestler.

by Chris Ogbondah

Accepting Matthew Olomu's challenge, is Irigha Eferebo. Matthew Olomu, a highly rated wrestler in Lagos, last week, promised to make miincemeats of anyone that dare him in a wrestling contest.

Olomu in his challenge said "Noise makers like Irigha Eferebo and Ebarotus are my targent targets now and if they are not afraid of being humiliated on 'terra firma', they should contact his manager through Tidesport."

Irigha Eferebo who breezed into our news room last weekend, said he was accepting Olomu's challenge because "Hippo", the current Rivers State heavyweight wrestling champion fearfully refused to accept his challenge.

As such, he went on, "I now accept challenge from that Lagos-based talking boy Olomu.

"In wrestling I don't believe in talking too much, I believe in action, so let Olomu and his so-called manager talk less and meet me anywhere anyday in Rivers State", Eferebo fumed.

The six-footer said he was giving Olomu and his manager up till Saturday, February 4, 1978 to meet him for a contest. "If he cannot meet me before this date, let him stop opening his wide mouth. He should have thrown his challenge elsewhere and not here in Port Harcourt, the home of Nigeria's best wrestler".

Matthew Olomu, has been wrestling in Lagos for a couple of years ago and records show that he has hardly lost any fight.

Irigha Eferebo is a student of department of automobile, Government Trade Centre, Ahiada, Rivers State and has represented his division, Ogbia in many contests in the Rivers State.

Apart from wrestling, the automobile hefty student, is a judoca. He won a gold medal in judo at Kaduna '77 in his category, a bronze medal in all — Nigeria open judo competition for all categories last year in Kaduna also. He also won a bronze medal for Nigeria during the 1st ECOWAS games.

Before Eferebo left our newsroom last weekend he called on an@ recognised promoter to "bring that talking boy from Lagos for me to torture!



Trigha Eferebo — weight lifter power! — judoca — power!! — wrestler

Duruojije's cup goes to Ezi Amaulu

In the final of the football competition match just concluded at the Mbieri Central School, Mbieri, Owerri for the Duruojije's cup, the Ezi Amaulu boys' club, defeated the Umunweke boys' club by 2 — 2 goals and retained the N500 giant cup.

From Francis Chioma, Owerri

The football match attracted thousands of football fans adrawn from Imo State capital, Owerri and various communities in Mbieri.

After thirteenth minutes of the first half, the cup-defending champions, the Amaulu boys, opened their opponents to their goal mouth.

In the eighteenth minute of play, the soccer tide changed, centre forward player for Umunweke boys team, Godday Egbuchiam collected a ground pass from Thomas Amaulu, the "Wonder Boy", dribbled two defence players of Amaulu team and with a thunderous shot, the ball sailed over the bar.

Despite the heavy pressure by the Amaulu boys against the Umunweke they (Amaulu boys) could not get the curtain raiser.

At the 40th minute of play, a penalty kick against Umunweke team, cleverly taken by Robert Amadi gave Amaulu their curtain raiser.

At the end of the first half, the score was one goal against Umunweke football club.

At the second half of the game, few minutes later, Umunweke were seen charging like wounded lions, raiding their opponent's goal mouth. All their efforts for an equaliser were foiled by the water tegged defence mounted by Amaulu boys.

In the 47th and 52th minutes of play, Ezi Amaulu boys netted their second and third goals.

The third goal against the Umunweke boys never dampned their soccer spirit. They continued to play with hope.

In the 58th minute of play, a corner kick against the Amaulu boys taken by Umunweke was beautifully headed into the net by Raymond Amaulu.

The "Wonder Boy" of Umunweke team in the 65th minute of the game, collected the ball and in a solo effort, he broke the defence of the Amaulu boys and scored the second goal for his side.

The tempo of the game was intermittently punctuated by direct and indirect kick coming up from both sides of the team as a result of weak defence tactics.

Getting nearer the end of the game, the Amaulu boys had two more goals to their successes.

The donor of the cup and guest of honour at the match Mr Adolphus Duruojije, presented the cup to the captain of the Amaulu boys team, Mr Raymond Opara.

IICC Stars plan for Africa winners cup

...Warm-up matches begin Jan 21 — March 4

A NUMBER of test matches have been arranged by the Oyo State Football Association for the IICC "Shooting Stars" in preparation for this year's African Cup Winners Competition.

The "Shooting Stars" are Nigeria's representatives in the competition for this year.

To this end, the chairman of the state Football Association, Chief Lekan Salami, has just returned from a ten-day tour of Central East Africa where he concluded arrangements for friendly matches against the IICC.

The fixtures of matches to be played against the Shooting Stars between January 21st and March 4th this year was released to the press at a press conference addressed by the chairman.

On January 21st, the "Shooting Stars" will meet Pan African Sports Club of Tanzania at the Liberty Stadium, Ibadan.

From Iyiola Lawal, Ibadan

IICC will clash with last years Kenyan national League Champions — Gor Mahia, on February 4th, meet either Railways of Dembewa or St George Football Club of Addis Ababa both of Ethiopia on February 18th and play against Electric Football Club also of Ethiopia on March 4th. All matches will be played at the Liberty Stadium, Ibadan.

Chief Salami further stated that as a gesture of unity, he had also arranged friendly matches for clubs in Ondo and Ogun State during his tour.

He said on February 5th, Corporation Football club, Akure will meet Gateway FC, Ado-Ekiti and also against Ajax African Sports club of Ife on January 24th at Akure. He added that Electric club will play against a clubside in Ogun State on March 5th.

Water Corporation football club of Ibadan will also play against the Railways of Ethiopia on February 21st at the Liberty Stadium.

The Chairman disclosed that he would soon undertake another tour of ECOWAS countries such as Mali, Niger, Upper Volta and Togo to arrange for more matches.

He reminded other clubs that what is happening to the IICC now could happen to them in future but stressed that they must be determined and disciplined.

He then announced that the IICC would play their first match in the African Cup Winners Competition on May 7th against the winners of Niger Guinea. The second leg will be played on May 21st in Nigeria.

Chief Salami stated that there was need to keep the team busy from now until the time of the country was to return the cup for the third time running.

The chairman thanked the state Military Governor, Brigadier David Jemibewon, his Commissioners and all other sports lovers in the country for the support they have given to the progress of sports in the past years.

Staff sports club underway for CST

A RE wovers are underway to inaugurate an active staff sports club in the College of Science and Technology, Port Harcourt, it has been made known to Tidesport.

This followed an approval by the college authorities for the inauguration of the club.

Already the sports officer of the college, Mr Emmanuel Ogbonna, has asked staff sports enthusiasts in the college to take this as big opportunities and make the big intention a huge success.

He stressed that the students of the college have enthusiasm, prompted the inauguration of the school at National League (the NIGERIA LEAGUE GAMES) and urged the college staff to follow the step laid down by the students.

Already representatives have been appointed in every department of the school to work hand in hand with the sports officer and furnish him with useful information as to achieve organised activities as regards the inauguration of the club.

At least seven clubs of football, athletics, lawn tennis, badminton table tennis, hockey and volleyball will be formed.

Already a recreation ground for sporting events in the college will soon be completed on the college campus.

However the departmental representatives are, Mr M. N. Ingwia (School of Administration), Mr M. P Mgbo, (School of Engineering), Mr G. T. Dodson (School of Science), Mr W. A. Ritchman (Administration), Mr John Ochia (Security), Mr Godwin Chukwu (Catering), Mr Lucas D. Ekanem (Library) and Mr Gordon O. Ochonma (Football Secretary).

Most of the workers have found the move as a good one to stay and described it as their "dream coming true".

NIGERIAN TIDE

Monday, January 16, 1978

GARBA SPEAKS ON EXCHANGE RACKET

NEW PASSPORTS FOR NIGERIANS

THREE new types of passports are to be introduced in Nigeria as from February 1.

This is designed to eliminate the present passport racketeering and foreign exchange allowance abuses, it was stated in Lagos at the weekend.

Launching the passports the Commissioner for External Affairs, Brigadier Joseph Garba, said the old passports would retain their validity until they expired.

The new passports were standard ones, and it would no longer be necessary for intending pilgrims to obtain separate passports. Also there would no longer be need for a separate West African passport, he said.

The commissioner said the new system would not allow people to acquire three passports at a time with which they obtain foreign exchange allowance.

He also said that the standardization would eliminate the present discriminatory practice of issuing separate passports for different purposes to different parts of the world.

The commissioner disclosed that the levy was imposed because urgent passports were not normally subjected to the usual security clearance.

The new passports were a departure from the hard cover of the existing one to a soft pliable plastic material which made it more durable and easy to handle.

On the security of the passport against forgery, the commissioner said that it contained a transparent adhesive insert for fixing the photographs making the replacement of photographs absolutely impossible.

Brigadier Garba announced that arrangement were nearing completion to enable passport offices in the states to issue passports without reference to Lagos for security clearance, in order to reduce the congestion at the central passport office.

Security against forgery



Brigadier Joe Garba

9 KILLED, ₦3m LOST BY FIRE

NINE persons were killed and property worth ₦3,481,640 destroyed in 66 fire outbreaks in parts of Kaduna State last year.

An official statement said Zaria recorded ₦1,436,732 loss while property worth ₦20,360 were lost in Kafanchan. Kaduna Emirate recorded a loss of ₦6,340.

Also recorded were two deaths, nine injuries while 15 houses completely gutted by fire in 32 calls in Zaria.

There were 19 calls in Kafanchan, necessitating in the gutting of eight houses, one death and one injured while Kaduna recorded 15 calls four deaths and five destruction of nine houses.

You must register

(Continued from page 1)

tion the chairman and other members of the Electoral Commission;

The chief electoral officers;

Electoral officers and assistant electoral officers;

The returning officer and the assistant returning officer for each constituency; and

The presiding officers.

2. (1) A person shall be deemed to be ordinarily resident in a place for the purposes of this Decree if, whether or not he has his family there or is employed elsewhere —

It is the place where he usually lives or sleeps; or

He has or usually has his home in that place; or

He intends to return thereto when away from it.

Where for the purpose of registration or objection to registration residence is a matter for doubt a revising officer shall decide it on the evidence before him any person affected by that decision may appeal to the Electoral Commission whose decision on the appeal shall be final.

A person shall have one of the foregoing places of ordinary residence, and the place nominated by him shall be his place of ordinary residence for the purpose of this section, and it shall not be lost to him -

If at any time when absent for a period of less than 6 months he has the intention to return that place of residence, or until he replaces it by another.

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Town under siege over chieftaincy title

THE town of Akpu in Agulu Local Government area of Anambra state has been reported to be in a state of terror for some days, following the recognition of a traditional ruler for the town by the Anambra State government.

Before going to press, at least four houses had been reportedly pulled down and economic trees estimated at over ten thousand naira had been destroyed.

The palace of the town's government recognised traditional ruler, Chief P. O. Nwafor, the Ezeukwu I of Akpu, was said to be at the moment under siege.

In a frantic press conference in Enugu, Chief Nwafor stated that a group of "troublesome elements in the town were now organising and unleashing a reign of terror and brigandry under the pretext that chieftaincy dispute was still in the community.

He said that people's homes were broken into with guns and matchets, money and other valuables were also removed and houses and livestock destroyed, the people's means of livelihood were being paralysed.

He said that acts which were nothing short of "armed robbery" had become a routine occurrence in broad day and to the knowledge of police in Ufuma.

He regretted that the police had not done anything to arrest the situation.

Chief Nwafor further stated that the effect of the inaction by the police was that people's lives and property were threatened daily leading to general insecurity.

He disclosed that petitions over the situation had been sent to the state Military Governor, Col John Atom Kpera and the Commissioner of Police, Mr Sam Igbe.

The traditional ruler appealed to the victims of the rampage to be lawabiding and to "bear these afflictions with fortitude even though there is a limit to human endurance."

When contacted the Commissioner of Police, Anambra State, Mr Sam Igbe, confirmed that the matter had been reported to the police and that the situation was under firm control.

He however stated that the alleged petition to him had not yet been received, but that the people involved in the matter would soon appear in court.