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You are fantastic, IAU tells Unilorin



Dr. Van't Land making her presentation last Tuesday at the University auditorium

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Newsflash

The new Dean of Student Affairs is Professor Sunday Harrison Umoh of the Department of Counsellor Education.

Both the Director of Membership and Programme Development, International Association of Universities (IAU), Dr. Hilligje Van't Land and an IAU Consultant, Dr. Ddembe Williams, have expressed in glowing terms the positive impression they have of the management, staff and students of the University of Ilorin.

Speaking at the end of a three-day on-site visit of the Association to the University last Wednesday (July 7, 2010) at a luncheon organised by the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Is-haq Oloyede, in their honour, the team declared that the University of Ilorin is fantastic. They also added that the University is the best in sub-Saharan Africa that they have had the honour of interacting with. *(Contd. on page2)*

Doctoral students, lecturers play blame game

What appeared like a ping pong was played between the doctoral students of the University of Ilorin and their lecturers/supervisors last Tuesday (July 6, 2010) at the University during their meetings with the International Association of Universities (IAU) team that was in the University for the on site assessment of the IAU project on "Changing Nature of Doctoral Programmes in Sub-Saharan Africa".

The University of Ilorin, a key player on the international scene, had submitted itself for assessment based on standard world parameters and it is the only University in Nigeria selected for the exercise.

The doctoral students served the first salvo when they told the team, comprising an IAU Board member and President of the Association of African Universities (AAU), Prof. Is-haq O. Oloyede; the IAU Director of Membership and Programme Development, Dr. Hilligje Van't Land and an IAU Consultant, Dr. Ddembe Williams, that they keep long on their programmes because, apart from financial problems, their supervisors delay them. *(Contd. on page 4)*



L-R: Prof. Abimbola, Prof. Obaleye, Prof. Ayorinde, Dr. Van't Land, Prof. Oloyede and Dr. Williams

International varsities association lauds Unilorin on achievements

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According to Dr. Land, who was visiting Nigeria for the first time, her interaction with the doctoral students of the University of Ilorin, the diligence that the University put into providing information about itself, the University campus and the purpose-driven management of the University convince her that the University of Ilorin is fantastic and globally competitive.



Dr. Williams, Dr. Vant Land, Prof. and Dr. (Mrs.) Oloyede at a luncheon organised by the VC in the team's honour

Also speaking at the occasion, Dr. Williams, who was also a first-time visitor to Nigeria, noted that unlike other African universities he had been to, there is quality control and he is therefore not surprised that the University of Ilorin is highly rated in Nigeria.

The IAU visited the University of Ilorin as part of its “Changing Nature of Doctoral Programmes in Sub-Saharan Africa” project, headed by a Board member of the Association and Vice-Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Is-haq O. Oloyede.

Through the project, the IAU seeks to identify major changes taking place in doctoral programmes, reforms that are being undertaken and developments concerning doctoral research and its management in sub-saharan Africa for possible areas of intervention and institutional support.

After a meeting with the principal officers on Tuesday morning, the team met the University Team driving the project, chaired by the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic) Prof. Kolade L. Ayorinde. This was followed by an interactive session with the doctoral students of the University, then their lecturers/supervisors. The day ended with a tour of the University campus and excursion to the University plantation sites and the Botanical Garden.

On Wednesday (July 7, 2010), the IAU team had a four-hour working meeting with the University Team, which comprised Prof. I. O. Abimbola, Dean of Postgraduate School, Dr. (Mrs.) F.A. Olasehinde-Williams of the Department of Arts and Social Sciences; Dr. L.A. Azeez of the Department of Mass Communication, Mrs. S.A. Oroge of the Vice-Chancellor's Office and Mr. M.A. Adedimeji of the Department of English.

At the end of the interaction, the IAU expressed its satisfaction on the presentation of the University of Ilorin and expressed hope that other African universities would demonstrate the commitment, openness and dynamism it experienced among the various members of the University community.

Highlights of the day included excursion to the Emir's Palace where the IAU had fun with children and pets, Al-Hikmah University where the team was warmly received by the Vice-Chancellor and former Unilorin Dean of Student Affairs, Prof. S.A. Abdulkareem. The visit ended at Kwara Hotel where the delegation participated in the opening of an international workshop on *Nollywood* organised by Kwara State University, Molete.

Agaja delivers 92nd Inaugural Lecture

The University of Ilorin will hold its 92nd Inaugural Lecture this Thursday (July 15, 2010) at the Science Lecture Theatre of the University.

The lecture will be delivered by Prof. S. B. Agaja, of the Department of Surgery, College of Health Sciences, University of Ilorin at 5.p.m. under the Chairmanship of the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Is-haq O. Oloyede.

The title of the lecture is “Surgery, the Anchor of Life”. All members of the University community and the entire public are cordially invited.

AAU recalls presidential visit

The Association of African Universities (AAU) has recalled its visit to the President of Ghana, Prof. John Atta Mills at the Osu Castle sometime ago in its current edition of *AAU Newsletter*, a quarterly publication of the Association.

According to the publication, the Governing Board of the AAU visited the Ghanaian President while the body was holding its 67th Governing Board meeting in Accra.



The President of Ghana, Prof. John Atta Mills (6th from left), the AAU President, Prof. Is-haq Oloyede (5th from left) and the AAU Secretary General, Prof. Goolam Mohammed Bhai (4th from left) and other AAU Board members during the visit to the Ghanaian President at Osu Castle, Ghana

“Prof. Is-haq Oloyede, the President of the AAU Governing Board, who led the delegation to the Osu Castle congratulated H.E. President John Atta Mills on his election as President in December 2008. Prof. Oloyede, who is also the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Nigeria, thanked the Government of Ghana for hosting the AAU Secretariat and raised a number of issues relating to the provisions to be made by the Government of Ghana as stipulated in the headquarters’ Agreement. This included the need for the AAU Secretariat to be provided with a more spacious headquarters. On his part, the President of Ghana lauded the role of the AAU as a credible organisation contributing to higher education in Africa. President Mills gave the assurance that the Government of Ghana would honour all its commitment in accordance with the Agreement.

“Since 1970, the AAU Secretariat has been located in Accra, Ghana and operates under a Headquarters’ Agreement between AAU and the Government of Ghana, the latter granting several privileges and facilities to the Secretariat.

“The Governing Board meeting was the first for the 15-member Board that was elected at AAU’s General Conference in Abuja, Nigeria in May 2009. The meeting was attended by 13 Vice-Chancellors/Rectors/Presidents of universities in 11 African countries, namely Cameroon, Cote d’Ivoire, Ghana, Kenya, Lesotho, Libya, Mozambique, Nigeria, Sudan, Swaziland and Uganda and deliberated on issues pertaining to the programmes, activities, membership, budgets and accounts of the Association. In particular, it approved the admission of 25 African universities as members, thus significantly increasing AAU’s current membership of 216 universities”.

Fast Facts File

Did you know?

- The name “table tennis” was originally coined because game manufacturer, Parker Brothers, owned the trademark “ping pong” and wanted money for the rights.
- Only a tenth of the cells in your body are you. The rest are microbes.
- The ulnar nerve is called “funny bone”.
- The third molar is called “the wisdom tooth”.

Ph.D supervision is a negotiated contract - Don

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Some of them complained that it was disturbing that their files are not treated on time while others observed that some supervisors condemn and “rubbish” their work without offering suggestions.

But the lecturers were quick to refute the claims when it was their turn to meet the team. According to them, doctoral students are the ones delaying themselves because most of them are full employees and are often not available to do their researches properly. They noted that the pressure of work, which most of them do on full-time basis, seriously affects their concentration. The lecturers said that though they cope with a lot of work ranging from teaching to research and community serve which make them to be busy, being delayed is solely the responsibility of students who are torn between being workers on the one hand and being students on the other.

Earlier in his address, the Chairman of the IAU Task Force on the project, which involves a pilot study of five sub-Saharan African universities in five countries (Nigeria, Kenya, Cameroon, Rwanda and Senegal) using global standard parameters to assess doctoral programmes, Prof. Is-haq Oloyede, said the IAU deemed it fit to undertake the project in order to increase its global perspective and intervene where necessary in boosting/supporting the doctoral programmes in sub-Sahara African universities.



A cross-section of the participants at the interactive session

In her presentation at the occasion, Dr. van't Land introduced IAU, with headquarters in Paris, France, as an Association founded in 1950 by universities seeking to build world peace through collaboration. The mission of the body, which now has 623 universities and other higher institutions around the world with additional 29 university organisations, is to strengthen higher education worldwide, build a world wide higher education community, offer a forum for debate and action, facilitate sharing of good practices, solidarity, monitor trends and advocate principles. She noted that IAU is honoured to have a person like Prof. Oloyede, who has contributed immensely to the promotion of IAU ideals since he joined the Board of IAU in 2008, on its Board.

Also speaking at the occasion, Dr. Williams, remarked that Ph.D supervision is a negotiated contract between the supervisor and the student. He advocated an open and interactive regime of supervision where student and supervisor work harmoniously, building and mending, cooperating and collaborating to advance scholarship and development. He commended the University of Ilorin saying that what obtains in the university is far better than what obtains in several other African universities.

The IAU will be organising a seminar where the presentation of the pilot study participants from the five African countries will be made. The international seminar is scheduled to hold at the University of Ilorin between November 8 and 11, 2010.

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THE MEANS JUSTIFIES THE END

Text of the Address Delivered by the Vice-Chancellor, University of Ilorin, Professor Is-haq O. Oloyede on the Occasion of the First Public Lecture of the Department of Religions, University of Ilorin at the University Auditorium on Wednesday May 12, 2010

It is indeed an honour to me to welcome you all, on behalf of the management, staff and students of the University of Ilorin, to this important lecture. I especially welcome our Guest Lecturer of today, a respected man of God and respectable man of peace, a distinguished scholar and religious leader, His Grace, Archbishop Dr. John O. Onaiyekan, the Catholic Archbishop of Abuja Diocese, former Archbishop of Ilorin Diocese. Dr. Onaiyekan is one of the most precious gifts of God to this nation and I know that if not for the efforts of people like him, the state of the nation would have been bad or worse as the case may be. He is the President of the Christian Association of Nigeria, Co-Chairman of the Nigeria Inter-Religious Council (NIREC) with the Sultan of Sokoto and Co-Chairman of the African Council of Religious Leaders (ACRL) with the Grand Mufti of Uganda. Your Grace, it is our utmost pleasure to have you at our University.

I want to congratulate the Department of Religions, my own Department, on attracting a personality like our today's Guest Lecturer to the University of Ilorin to advance our mandate. I think this is the most important public lecture to be held in this University so far because apart from it being organised by the Department of Religions, a Department that I believe everyone of us 'belongs' to one way or the other, it is also to be delivered by a man who has dedicated his whole life to the service of God and humanity. Given the few words I said about him for those who may know him as much as I do, for I have the privilege of working closely with him at NIREC, it would be agreeable that only a handful of people could have been as competent as His Grace to discuss a discourse on "Religion in the Contemporary Nigerian Society" with us.

Distinguished ladies and gentlemen, the reality of the contemporary Nigerian society is palpable. It is evident that the dominant principle that appears to goad many, politicians, professionals, businessmen and even many so-called religious adherents alike, is "the end justifies the means", a malignant intellectual and philosophical cancer associated with the teachings of the Italian political philosopher, Nicollo Machiavelli (1469–1527), in his most famous book, *The Prince*, published posthumously in 1532. I read a review of the book somewhere recently and I came to the conclusion that the evils and atrocities of the modern world are based on the Machiavellian philosophy: the end justifies the means.

In the book, about which many of you must have heard, Machiavelli argues that if a person, a prince or ruler especially, wants to achieve his goal, he will not always find it rational to be moral and he will discover that "to practice all those things for which men are considered good" will prove to be a ruinously irrational policy. His specious argument, which dictators and some politicians rely on, is that as the end justifies the means, there is no evil that cannot be committed as long as the goal is to consolidate power. His advice is that a prince or ruler "must acquire the power not to be good" and a person has to admit to himself the fact that "he will often be necessitated" to act "contrary to truth, contrary to charity, contrary to humanity, contrary to religion". His position is that a prince should be concerned only with power or self interest and nothing more. This thesis is most unacceptable and disagreeable, yet many people think the end justifies the means is an axiomatic truth whereas it is a plain fallacy.

Indeed, one does not need to be a scholar of religion but a rational thinker to realise the emptiness and shallowness of Machiavellianism, which has manifested in many areas of our contemporary life. This postulate has been used to commit murder, neutralise opponents, perpetrate all sorts of crime, promote corruption and ruin the political process. The means through which you achieve anything is as important as the desired end and as such, it is on the basis of the means that you will be judged by God.

Religion is a counterforce to politics and if in politics, the end justifies the means, in religion and in truth, *the means justifies the end*. While politics glorifies man, associates power with him and promotes the supremacy of his laws, as imperfect as they may be, religion glorifies God, the Author of man, and rightfully attributes power to Him and his inimitable words. In any case, everyone in this life comes to

appreciate that God is the Most Powerful, the Super Power, who ultimately renders power-drunk people powerless. Examples of this abound in the world. I restate that the end does not justify the means, it is rather the means that justifies the end.

Meanwhile, Nigeria will definitely be better for us all if we practise the teachings of what we claim to believe as Muslims and Christians and even as Traditional African Religionists. Every Nigerian practises a religion and the fundamental teaching of all religions is to do good. As Justice Holmes used to say, “the aim of life is to get as far as possible from imperfection”, the means through which this aim can be achieved is religion. This is a time-tested truth. We need to discard the saying that the end justifies the means in its entirety; we have to promote its antithesis that *the means justifies the end*. This is fundamental because negative thinking leads to negative actions.

While it is disheartening but apparent that some people use religion to foment trouble, instigate violence or do what is wrong and condemnable, we should be mindful of making sweeping generalisations that complicate matters and lead nowhere. A naughty boy is not necessarily taught by his parents to be naughty and a bad operator would ruin the most efficient of systems. It is in this light that I think those who condemn religion, which Huston Smith in his *The Religions of Man* (1958:11) says is “the clearest opening through which the inexhaustible energies of the cosmos can pour into human existence,” are ill-informed, misinformed or just being plainly mischievous or arrogant. At the three most critical stages of human life - at birth, at marriage and at death - religion plays critical roles which no one can deny. It is only expedient that we positively deploy “the inexhaustible energies of the cosmos” engendered by religion to serve our common good. The means of doing this will ultimately justify the end we shall attain.

As prayer is said to be the soul of life, it is only appropriate that you permit me to use this opportunity to pray that Allah forgive our late former President, Alhaji Umaru Musa Yar'Adua, who was recalled by his Maker this day last week. May Allah grant him *Al-jannah firdaos*. We also beseech Him to guide aright and guard always our President, Dr. Goodluck Jonathan, and his team, so that they will lead Nigeria to the desired path of peace and development. May He bless and be with us all as we take the rightful means in achieving our desired ends because ultimately, it is *the means that justifies the end* and not only are we going to be judged by the end, we shall more importantly be judged by the means.

Thank you and peace be upon you.

NGO donates insecticide treated nets to COBES

The Royal Heritage Health Foundation (RHHE) has donated 200 units of Insecticide Treated Nets (ITNs) to the University of Ilorin College of Health Sciences Community Based Experience and Services (COBES) programme. The donation was made last Monday (July 5, 2010).



The donor of the mosquito nets with some staff

The Chief Executive Officer of the NGO, which is based along Basin Road, Ilorin, Mr. Soji Soguro, made the donation on behalf of his organisation for the use of medical students at the various locations where the students are posted in order to prevent them from malarial infection while they serve rural communities.

Receiving the donation, the Provost of the College of Health Sciences, Prof. B. J. Bojuwoye, expressed the appreciation of the College and the University Management for the kind gesture of the Foundation. He also commended the organisation for its thoughtfulness.

Present at the presentation among others were Dr. B. A. Issa and Dr. S. A. Aderibigbe, the Coordinator and the Assistant Coordinator of COBES programme respectively who facilitated the donation

Learned Conference

The following staff have enjoyed the sponsorship of the University to learned conferences:

Recipient	Department	Nature of Conference	Place	Date
Dr. Ayinde, Opeyemi Eyitayo	Agricultural Econs, & Farm Management	43 rd Annual Conference of the Agricultural Society of Nigeria (ASN)	National Universities Commission, Abuja	20 th - 23 rd October, 2009
Dr. Adewumi, Mathew Olaniyi	Agricultural Econs. & Farm Management	43 rd Annual Conference of the Agricultural Society of Nigeria (ASN)	National Universities Commission, Abuja	20 th - 23 rd October, 2009
Prof. Abiodun A. Adeloye	Animal Production	International Conference on Climate Change and Sustainable Development	Osun State University, Osogbo	5 th - 9 th November, 2009
Dr. Jimoh, Y.A.	Civil Engineering	42 nd National Engineering Conference and Annual General Meeting of the Nigerian Society of Engineers	Disney Hotel & Resort, Owerri	7 th - 11 th December, 2009
Dr. Olaoye, Joshua O.	Agricultural & Biosystems Engineering	42 nd National Engineering Conference and Annual General Meeting of the Nigerian Society of Engineers	Disney Hotel & Resort, Owerri	7 th - 11 th December 2009
Dr. Alabi, Ganiyu Funsho	Mechanical Engineering	42 nd National Engineering Conference and Annual General Meeting of the Nigeria Society of Engineers	Disney Hotel & Resort, Owerri	7 th - 11 th December, 2009
Dr. Babatunde, Sola T.	English	26 th Annual Conference of the Nigeria English Studies Association (NESA)	Main Auditorium, University of Benin, Benin City	16 th - 20 th January, 2010
Mr. Ibrahim Imam	Public Law	Nigerian Association of Law 'Teachers' Conference	Ado Ibrahim Auditorium, Kogi State	17 th - 20 th May, 2010
Dr. Ejieji, Chukwuemeka Joachin	Agricultural & Biosystems Engineering	International Conference on Renewable & Alternative Energy	Federal University of Technology, Owerri	16 th - 20 th May, 2010
Mr. Ibraheem, Tajudeen Olanrewaju	Human Kinetics & Health Education	2010 National Conference of Nigerian Association of Health Education (NAHE)	Main Auditorium, University of Benin, Benin City	2 nd - 5 th June, 2010
Dr. Olaitan, O. Lanre	Human Kinetics & Health Education	2010 National Conference of Nigerian Association of Health Education (NAHE)	Main Auditorium University of Benin, Benin City	2 nd - 5 th June, 2010
Dr. Onifade, O.A.	Human Kinetics & Health Education	2010 National Conference of Nigerian Association of Health	Main Auditorium, University of Benin, Benin City	2 nd - 5 th June, 2010

		Education (NAHE)		
Mr. Dominic, O.Leach	Human Kinetics & Health Education	2010 National Conference of Nigerian Association of Health Education (NAHE)	Main Auditorium University of Benin, Benin City	2 nd - 5 th June, 2010

The purpose of law is security, by VC

The Vice-Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Is-haq Oloyede, has identified the purpose of law as security. Prof. Oloyede gave this hint while receiving the Kwara State Commissioner of Police, Alhaji Mukhtar Ibrahim, in his office last Friday (July 9, 2010) after an inspection of the facilities at the University Police Station which was commissioned during the last convocation ceremonies.

According to the Professor of Islamic Jurisprudence, security is the ultimate and that is why the primary purpose of law is to promote it. He said if not for law, there is nothing stopping anyone from declaring himself Governor of a State or taking what does not belong him if not that law exists to protect the right Governor and the owner of the property.

He identified aspects of security as security of life, security of property, security of integrity among others and submitted that the security of the University, members of the University community and their belongings is paramount to the Administration. He therefore commended the police for trying their best to provide security.

Responding, the Police Commissioner expressed satisfaction with the facilities on ground at the station, which is located very close to some of the communities bordering the University. He said the police would soon occupy the facility and contribute their quota not only to the benefit of the university community but also the neighbouring communities of the University.

Earlier, the Vice-Chancellor, joined by the principal officers and key functionaries of the University had led the entourage of the Police Commissioner to the Police Station. The Police Commissioner noted that not only is the building strong but it makes adequate provisions for a standard police station.



The VC, Prof. Oloyede, with the Police Commissioner, Alh. Ibrahim during the visit

LAUGH LINES

Tony visited his friend, Femi, at the latter's house and was amazed at how well Femi treated his wife. Femi complimented her cooking and showered her with praises and affection. On enquiry, Femi told his friend that he started doing that six months earlier and that the new attitude he imbibed revived their marriage and made them happier. Inspired, Tony hurried home, hugged his wife, told her how much he loved her and said he wanted to hear about her all day. But she burst into tears. Tony asked why. "This has been the worst day of my life," she said. "This morning, Tola fell from his bike and hurt his ankle, and then the cooker broke down. Now to top it all, you come home drunk."

Femi and his wife could no longer cope with their differences. They appeared in a Lagos court seeking divorce. The judge wanted to know who their six year old son would like to live with between the parents.

"Would you like to live with your father?"

"No. He beats me a lot."

"Would you then like to live with your mother?"

"No. She also beats me too at times."

Perplexed, the judge asked, "Who would you like to live with then?"

"Super Eagles," he replied.

Asked why, the boy said, "Because they can't beat anyone."

Unilorin procures new ambulance for its clinic

As part of its efforts at providing quality health services to the members of the University community, the University of Ilorin has procured a modern multi-million naira ambulance.

Speaking at the formal presentation of the ambulance to the University Health Services last Friday (July 9, 2010), the Vice-Chancellor urged the unit to make a good use of the facility. Responding, the Director of the Services, Dr. (Mrs.) M.O. Ajiboye thanked the University and promised that her unit would use the vehicle judiciously.



The ambulance

Happy Birthdays To You!

S/No	Name	Department/Office	Date of Birth
1	Ekeleme, Chionoyerem R.	Library	16th July
2	Fadesire, Ayinla S.	Computer Centre	17th July
3	Ijagbemi, Comfort I.	Faculty of Science	14th July
4	Obaleye, Joshua A.	Chemistry	13th July
5	Oje, Kayode	Agric and Biosystems Engineering	15th July
6	Ojo, Olushola J.	Geology and Mineral Sciences.	13th July
7	Olaoye, Gbadebo	Agronomy	16th July

Unilorin in the News

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- ❖ The University of Ilorin has maintained 200 at the UTME as the minimum score for admission into the University of Ilorin ('Unilorin pegs 200 as admission cut-off point', *Daily Trust*, Thur, July 8, 2010, p.39)
- ❖ Prof. Debra Klein of Gavilan College, California, has urged Nigerians to cherish their culture saying that the Yoruba culture has offered the world a lot.
('Professor decries dwindling fortune of Yoruba culture', *The Herald*, Friday July 9, 2010, p.5)
- ❖ The 're-sit' of Computer Appreciation Certificate (CAC) Test for final year students will be held on Monday, July 12, 2010. ('Students to re-sit CAC', "Unilorin File" *The Nation*, Thur. July 8, 2010, p. 22)
- ❖ Murli T. Chellaram Scholarship which is open to University of Ilorin Students with a CPGA of 3.50 or a second class degree can be accessed through www.mtcfoundation.org. ('Foundation extends scholarships', same as above).
- ❖ Dr. Pius Abioje of the Department of Religions, University of Ilorin, has ventilated his criticism on the choice of Prof. Attahiru Jega as the Chairman of the Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC). ('President Jonathan stood morality on its head', *The Nation*, Thursday July 8, 2010 p. 18).
- ❖ The University of Lagos is set to join the University of Ilorin in the rank of universities which have embraced Computer-Based Tests. ('Post-UME; varsity builds e-test centre' same as above p. 26).
- ❖ Graduating students of the University of Ilorin have engaged in various activities they considered fun after the completion of their final examination.
('Fanfare as students write final exams', *The Nation*, Thursday July 8, 2010, p.27)
- ❖ A 200 level student of Law at the University of Ilorin, Habeeb Whyte, has written a piece on the importance of making the right choice of friends. ('My friends my choice', same as above, p.39).
- ❖ The Law Students Society of the University of Ilorin has held its award night.
('At Unilorin, it's award night', same as above, p.40).
- ❖ Bakare Bilqees Kehinde, a 200 level student of Mass Communication, has written an essay on the medicinal value of honey.
("Honey curative medicine", *National Pilot*, Thursday 8th – Sun 11th July, 2010, p.15).
- ❖ An essay co-written by Dr. Emmanuel Ojo and Dr. Peter Adebayo of the University of Ilorin has been concluded.
('Food Security in Nigeria: An Overview', same as above, p.10).

Unilorin in the News

- ❖ Prof. Johannes Cronje of Cape Peninsula University in South Africa has highlighted how the mobile phone can be used to enhance e-learning. ('Don harps on electronic learning', *New Nigerian*, Monday July 5, 2010, p.1)
- ❖ The Dean of Cape Peninsula University of Technology, South Africa, Prof. Johannes Cronje, has described the mobile phone as an electronic resource which should be harnessed for teaching while delivering the 6th Mosobalaje Oyawoye Endowed Faculty of Science Lecture at Unilorin. ('Teachers yet to make use of abundant technological resources', *Nigerian Tribune*, Monday July 5, 2010, p.48)

Quotes of the Week

Ignorance works a man worse harm than a cancer in the body. - Ali bin Talib

Every nation has the government it deserves. - Joseph DeMaistre

A man cannot be too careful in the choice of his enemies. - Oscar Wilde.

This world is a comedy for those who think; a tragedy for those who feel. - James Boswell

Unexpected money is a delight. The same sum is bitterness when you expected more. - Mark Twain

- ❖ The Dean of Science, University of Ilorin, Prof. J. A. Obaleye, has said that for Nigeria to realise its vision 2020, due attention must be paid to science and technology. ('Science Education: Dean urges less emphasis on theories', *The Punch*, Tuesday July 6, 2010, p.42)
- ❖ The University of Ilorin is carrying out two researches on "Biometric signal processing for personal identification and forensic application" and "Novel metal complexes of some anti-malarial drugs: synthesis, structural elucidation and biological potency" under the Step-B Project. ('Varsity steps up Step-B project', *Nigerian Compass*, Wednesday, July 7, 2010, p.15)
- ❖ The University of Ilorin has unfolded its plans to mark Nigeria's 50th independence anniversary with an academic fiesta that comprises a book publication and an international conference. ('Unilorin set to mark independence in grand style', same as above, p.18)
- ❖ The University of Ilorin will mark the 50th independence anniversary of Nigeria with an international conference and a book publication. ('Unilorin marks Nigeria's golden jubilee with academic fiesta', *National Pilot*, Monday 5th - Wednesday 7th July, 2010, front page)
- ❖ The Dean of Faculty of Science, University of Ilorin, Prof. J. A. Obaleye, has said that the future of science is bright in Nigeria given the interest which students are showing in science subjects. ('Future of science education in Nigeria, bright - Don', same as above)
- ❖ The management of the University of Ilorin Teaching Hospital has announced the movement of its Accidents and Emergency Unit to its permanent site just as it declared that patients' relations would not be allowed to sleep over at the new site. ('UITH bars patients' relations from hospitals', same as above, p.2)
- ❖ The Dean of the Faculty of Science, Prof. J. A. Obaleye, has called for the computerisation of Nigeria as a measure towards cutting cost of administration. ('Don calls for computerisation of overall Nigeria system', same as above, p.3)
- ❖ An article written by Dr. Emmanuel Ojo of the Department of Political Science, University of Ilorin, which examines institutional failures in Nigeria has been published. ('Living without the state', same as above, p.12)
- ❖ Photographs taken during an interactive forum between the management and customers of the University of Ilorin Teaching Hospital have been published. ('Agenda for the University of Ilorin Teaching Hospital (UITH) customers /stakeholders interactive forum in pix', same as above, p.17)
- ❖ The Kwara State Commissioner for Police, Alhaji Mukhtar Ibrahim, has told the management of the University of Ilorin Teaching Hospital (UITH) that police report is no longer a requirement in treating gunshot victims. ('Don't reject accident victims, police to UITH', same as above, p.18)

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