

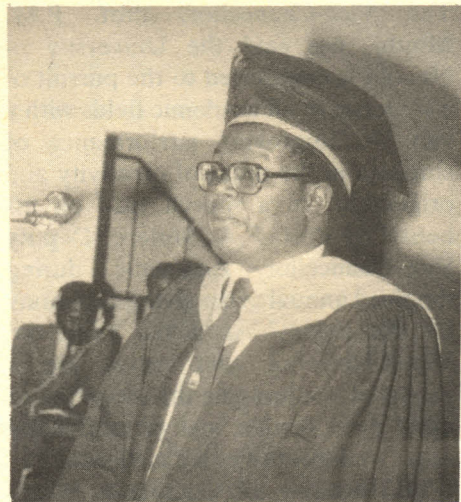
V.C. Salutes Egerton University

The Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Philip M. Mbithi, has congratulated Egerton University on the occasion of its inauguration as University on 11th October, this year. In a statement, the Vice-Chancellor said that "On behalf of the Council, Senate, Staff and Students of the University of Nairobi, I would like to congratulate Egerton University on the occasion of its inauguration as full-fledged University. We take pride in associating ourselves with Egerton University on this occasion which marks yet another milestone in the development of higher education in Kenya.

"We also take this opportunity to salute His Excellency the President, Hon. Daniel Toroitich arap Moi, who is being installed as the Chancellor of Egerton University during this auspicious occasion. As Kenya celebrates its 25th Anniversary and Ten years of Nyayo Era, the inauguration of yet

another University speaks loudly on the major strides of development achieved by our country in post-secondary and University education.

"Egerton University is joining the three other Universities in providing avenues for Kenyans to further their academic careers and imparting specialized skills and knowledge required in national development. Given the nature of the international marketplace, it is widely acknowledged that Universities should act as tools to sharpen the country's capacity for development and its international competitiveness through higher education and research. We therefore see this inauguration as marking yet another addition to our national capacity for providing skilled manpower, accumulation and exploration of new frontiers of knowledge through research and we welcome Egerton University as a colleague in the academic enterprise.



Prof. P.M. Mbithi sees Egerton University attain full varsity status.

We wish, therefore, to congratulate the Council, Senate, Students and Staff of Egerton University, on this memorable occasion while wishing them success in years to come".