

Varsity Council to meet today

By **NATION** Reporter

THE University Council meets this morning to discuss among other things the premature closure of the university and alleged irregularity in the election of the deputy vice-chancellor.

Nairobi University and its constituent Kenyatta College were closed on March 2 in what was seen as an attempt to thwart students' demonstration on the anniversary of the murder of a prominent Kenyan politician, J. M. Kariuki, in 1975.

Sources close to the Senate which elected Prof. Thairu as deputy vice-chancellor, to succeed Prof. Msangi, told the **NATION** that votes cast exceeded the number of participants in the senate meeting.

The election of the deputy vice-chancellor is not final. The decision rests with the University Council.

Members of the academic staff feel that the head and his deputy should not come from the same faculty, sources said. The vice-chancellor, Prof. Mungai and his newly elected deputy are from the faculty of medicine.