

65th Inaugural Lecture at the Federal University of Technology, Akure, recently.

Speaking on the topic: 'Synthesizing the Fabrics of Engineering Structures for Technological Emancipation', Fapetu went down the memory lane, saying, "when Albert Einstein, in 1905, armed with his theory of special relativity, propounded the mass-energy equation, little did he realise that engineers would use it to develop the atomic bomb dropped on Hiroshima and Nagasaki in 1945". The professor

Vigilante group kills two suspected cattle thieves in Plateau

TWO suspected cattle thieves were allegedly killed by a vigilante group on Thursday in Kombili village, Mangu Local Government Area of Plateau State.

Their corpses were brought to Mangu Divisional Police Station by officers and men of the force.

The *News Agency of Nigeria* (NAN) reports that

the suspects, together with others, were alleged to have invaded the village to rustle cattle but met stiff resistance from the village vigilantes.

A witness said the rustlers came to the village around 2.00 a.m. and succeeded in moving the cows from the house of a respected resident.

Continuing, the witness

said the suspects were moving away with the cows when members of the vigilante group accosted them.

"When the suspects discovered they were rounded up, they opened fire on the vigilante, who repelled the attack and gunned down two of the rustlers.

"The rest managed to

escape, leaving behind the corpses of their colleagues."

Another witness, who pleaded anonymity, described the incident as "a break through" considering the rampant cases of cattle rustling in the area.

NAN reported that the police station was crowded with people who went to see

the corpses.

The Divisional Police Officer, Blacky Agbelaje, who confirmed the incident, said the police were yet to ascertain whether the suspects were cattle rustlers.

He, however, said the police were investigating the incident to ascertain the true status of the victims.