

2 drivers kill woman in Lagos

TWO drivers, Abiola Apena (34) and Wasiu Ogunbiade (28), who allegedly hit a lady while driving their different vehicles were on Tuesday arraigned in Lagos.

The drivers are facing a two-count charge of manslaughter and reckless driving before Magistrate O. A. Adegite in Ikeja.

The accused, however, pleaded not guilty to the charges.

The prosecutor, ASP W. Wagbara, said Apena and Ogunbiade recklessly drove a Toyota Hiace bus and a Vanagon bus respectively on April 30 and in quick succession knocked down one Miss Mercy Phillips.

Wagbara said Phillips, who resided at No. 26, Ezekiel St. in Ikeja, died at

the Lagos State University Teaching Hospital where she was taken to for medical attention.

Wagbara added that the

accused also inflicted injuries on some other road users during the incident.

He noted that the alleged offences were punishable

under sections 18 and 28 (D) of the Lagos State Criminal Code.

Adegite granted bail to the accused persons in the sum of 100,000 Naira and two sureties each, and adjourned the case till May 17 for further hearing.

'Erin-Ile paper mill to start production soon'

THE moribund Erin-Ile Paper Mill in Oyun Local Government Area of Kwara will soon resume production.

The Commissioner for Industry and Solid Minerals Development, Alhaji Adamu Gene, made the announcement on Tuesday during a visit to the mill.

He noted with delight that

the rehabilitation work had reached 95 per cent completion stage, while skeletal production had started.

Gene reiterated government's commitment to the industrialisation of the state, saying it would do everything possible to resuscitate all moribund companies.

Alhaji Lekan Salami, the Managing Director of the mill, had earlier said that the company had commenced test-running its equipment and had succeeded in producing quality papers.

He said that on completion, the mill would produce different sizes of exercise books, toilet tissues and jot-ters.