

How man, 20, hacked father to death

● *Kill my grandson, grandpa tells authorities*

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RESIDENTS of the sleepy hamlet of Larabawa, in Gwaram Local Government Area of Jigawa State, a settlement of not more than 20 compounds are still in state of shock from a violent crime. Yusuf Mamman, 20, on Wednesday last week hacked his father to death just because he threatened to hand him over to the police if he steals his groundnuts again.

As usual with all market days, Late Mamman Dan Alhaji woke up very early, had his bath and headed to the market to sell his sacks of groundnut. He spent the whole day in the market returning as late as 9:pm. Little did he know that the son he reprimanded the previous night and threatened with arrest, had followed him to the market that day, sharpened his axe, returned home and waited. Less than 30 minutes after his arrival, he was brutally hacked to death by his son who claimed that they both wanted to kill each other.

Fatsuma Mamman, mother of Yusuf, was still in a state of shock. She spoke to *Weekly Trust* amidst tears. "I can't describe the misfortune that has

befallen me. I don't know what came over this boy. On that fateful day he went to the market after his father left and I thought maybe he had something to sell. He returned around 12 noon with a shiny axe. He was sharpening the axe and when he finished he put it in a bag." She said her husband arrived late, around 9 pm and shortly, the tragedy happened.

"Yusuf barely greeted his father. The father came out and asked why he was doing that and he rudely replied that he was waiting for the police he threatened him with. At this point the father stood up and took his stick to scare him to go inside his room. The next thing we heard was our husband's shout as Yusuf hacked him with the axe. Before the neighbors came, Yusuf had finished. I heard my husband for the first time call his son by his name, 'Yusuf, why?'"

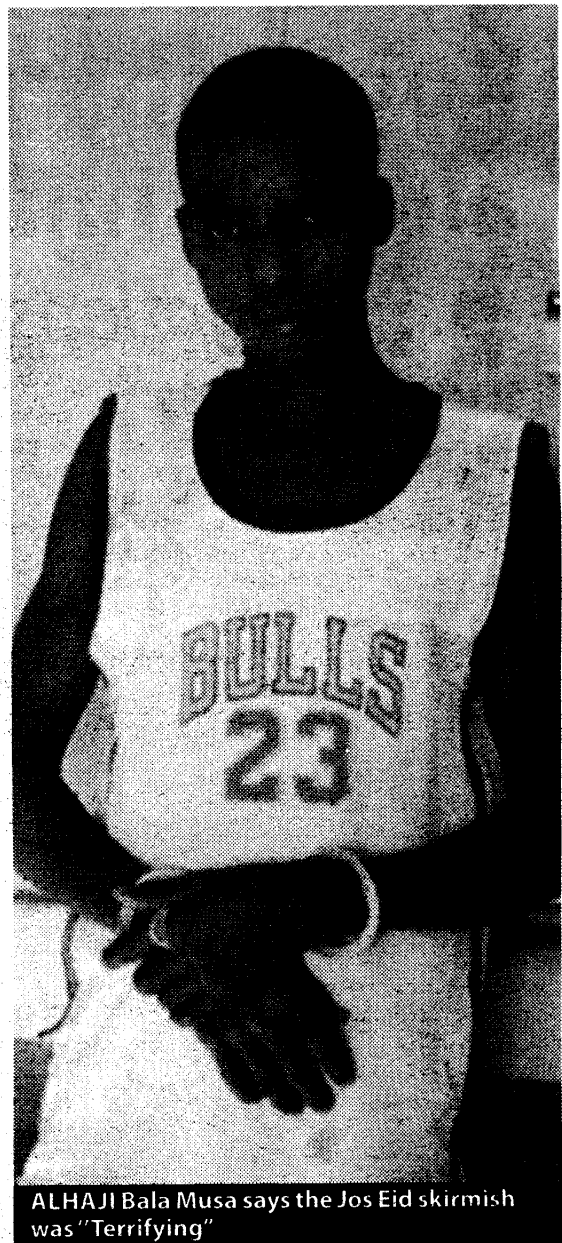
About, late Mamman's second wife told *Weekly Trust*: "Here we are with 10 children with our breadwinner murdered. We don't have any trade. We need help," she pleaded. Yusuf's grandfather Malam Dan Alhaji told *Weekly Trust* that the murderer should be killed too. "I am over 70 years. I have never seen a thing like this. I am old. How do I take care of 10 young

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Mai Angwan Larabawa, Alhaji Abdul Ali said he is still in shock over the incident. "In my life and those of my fathers, they never told me they heard a story like this, let alone witnessing it. He almost removed the two limbs of his father; he cut his throat, neck, mouth and shoulder."

Jigawa State Police PRO, ASP Abdul Jinjiri said the Yusufu is in custody and has confessed to hacking his father to death. He said the police would prosecute him.



ALHAJI Bala Musa says the Jos Eid skirmish was "Terrifying"

Day trigger-happy cop killed his 'Oga'

Kehinde Akinyemi, Abeokuta

TUESDAY, November 15, was another day for the Nigeria Police team from the Obalande division on stop-and-search commonly called "check point" along the popular Ejirin road, Ijebu-Ode in Ijebu-ode local government area of Ogun State. However, for Inspector Ndidi Agbole, death was actually lurking around from an unfamiliar quarters. Just before the end of the day's assignment, Agbole met his untimely death from his colleague.

Sources who spoke with *Weekly Trust*, said that they were yet to overcome the shock that followed the shooting of Agbole by Corporal Taoheed Boladale, on the fateful day. "They all left the station in high spirits without any inkling of what would happen to 'Oga'. Only for the news to reach us that someone shot someone among the policemen at Ejirin," a female officer hinted.

An eyewitness reported that: "We were loading planks at the sawmill that fateful night and the police were on the main road very close to our stall carrying out their duties. We had finished loading and set to move when the corporal stopped us. We spoke to his colleagues to persuade him, but he pushed one of them to the floor."

The witness continued: "And when their 'Oga' got there, he called him to order but he was being difficult. This attitude infuriated their boss who ordered that they should all move into the car and drive away." Instead, in movie-like scene and as if fully possessed, the corporal was reportedly shouting, "Oga, I will shoot you o! Oga I will shoot you o!" and soon he pulled the trigger. "In the twinkle of an eye, he shot their boss on the lower abdomen and we all fled including other officers because the boy was still looking determined."



SPOT where Inspector Agbole was shot by Cop. Taoheed along Ejirin road, opp St. James Church, Ijebu Ode.

The trigger happy-shooting corporal was subsequently arrested. A police source at the station confirmed the incident to our correspondent disclosing that the corporal has been dismissed. It was gathered that when Taoheed was brought back, "he looked depressed and worried." When he was asked how everything happened, he said he did not know, even as he continued weeping profusely.

However, the late Agbole who was just recently posted to Ijebu-Ode, hailed from Delta state and has had his remains deposited at the mortuary of the General Hospital, Ijebu Ode. When our correspondent contacted the Ogun state Police spokesman, Muyiwa Adejobi on phone to comment on the incident, he confirmed that the Commissioner of Police has directed that the matter be charged to court.

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