

CRIME NOTES

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KILLED: Four police personnel were last Wednesday gunned down by dare-devil robbers in Owerri, the state capital. The slain policemen were escorting a bullion van belonging to one of the leading banks in the country to Umuahia before the criminals struck.

ABUJA

BAILED: An Abuja high court sitting in Wuse, last Wednesday granted bail to Deputy Commissioner of Police, Ibrahim Danjuma who is standing trial alongside five others for the killing six Igbo traders between June 8 and 9, last year.

BENUE

KILLED: At least two persons were killed and one police officer seriously injured in Oturkpo during a violent protest by youths of the town protesting one week of power outage occasioned by a technical fault at the zonal office of the Power Holding Company of Nigeria in the town.

ONDO

RESCUED: Three teenagers were rescued last Thursday from drowning in a flood that submerged some parts of Akure following a heavy down pour that lasted for five days.

EDO

REMANDED: A Benin magistrate court last Thursday remanded three persons at the Federal Prisons, Okpo, for allegedly raping a 60 - year old woman to death.

RIVERS

ABDUCTED: A German oil worker, whose name was given as Guido Schiffaiph was, last Thursday, abducted by unknown gunmen in Port Harcourt. Reports said the German was driving in a Jeep before he was intercepted by the gunmen and taken to an unknown destination. Some Filipinos were equally kidnapped at the weekend.

LAGOS

MALICIOUS DAMAGE: On July 30, at about 9.45am, a distress call was received at Itire Police Station from SPY Police Olarewaju Emmanuel, attached to Lagos University Teaching Hospital, Idi-Araba that some area boys were vandalising the hospital and had sent away all staff on duty.

The group was later discovered to be protesting the death of two yet-to-be-identified motorcyclists and other unknown injured persons in an accident involving two motorcycles at Falolu Bus Stop, Itire. The victims were rushed to the above stated hospital but later died, while other victims of the accident taken to Eko Hospital are responding to treatment. The crisis was quickly put under control by a team of policemen and soldiers from Idi-Araba. Seven suspects have been arrested.

NABBED: On July 30, at about 10pm, a gang of armed men invaded the filling station of one Chief Otunba Ola Odutayo at 54, Ikosi Road, Ketu and carted away a yet-to-be-estimated amount of money. One Lawal, suspected to be the brain behind the robbery, has been arrested.