

Crime Notes

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ABIA

NABBED: The suspected leader of a gang, which recently attacked the convoy of Abia State governor, Theodore Orji, has been arrested by police detectives in the state. The state Commissioner of Police, Mr. Edgar Tam Nanakumo disclosed the breakthrough to journalists while he paraded another 21 suspected robbers arrested by the police.

ABUJA

PARADED: The Inspector General of Police, Mr. Mike Okiro has paraded six persons involved in the kidnap of the father of the Secretary to the Delta State Government, Chief Ifeanyi Okowa. Chief Arthur Okowa was kidnapped for days, but luck ran out of the kidnappers when they were arrested and the old man regained his freedom.

OGUN

ARRESTED: Police in the state have arrested 10 suspected oil pipeline vandals within the metropolis. The state police spokesman, Mr. Sunny Ubua, who disclosed this to journalists at the weekend, said the suspected vandals were among those who had been vandalising NNPC pipeline at Ogere area of the state.

RIVERS

CLASHES: Residents of Abonema town, in Akuru Toru Local government, have been leaving the village in droves following recent clash between two rival armed groups in the area. The state police command and joint task force have beefed up security in the affected area. Reports said no fewer than 30 persons were feared killed during the fighting.

DELTA

ARRESTED: Two women, suspected to be ritualists, have been

arrested in the state. The suspects were arrested with a human skull carefully packaged inside a motorcyclist's helmet. They were rounded up by men of the Joint Task Force (JTF) who were on surveillance duty.

PLATEAU

ACCIDENT: Nine persons were feared dead in an autocrash involving two commercial buses along the Barakin-Ladi Jos road. Police authorities confirmed the incident, saying that the victims have been taken to the Jos University Teaching Hospital, Jos.

LAGOS

NABBED: Some suspected daredevil armed robbers, who specialised in snatching exotic cars within the state metropolis, have been arrested by a police team. The Assistant Inspector General of Police for Zone 2, Alhaji Mohammed Abubakar confirmed the breakthrough.