

Briefs

Robbers kill bank manager

BARELY a few months after several banks in Abia State started donating pick-up vans to the government to aid them in their fight against criminals in the state, armed robbers have gunned down the branch manager of a first generation bank, located along Factory Road in Umuahia.

The banker, Udoka Ogbuagu, a native of Ubakala in Umuahia South Local Government Area of the state was killed by a gang of four armed robbers on Thursday night along Igberere Street, Umuahia as he was driving home with a relative who came in from overseas.

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Ogbuagu, a seasoned banker, who was said to have resumed duties after well-deserved holidays in London, was shot dead at about 6:30 pm while his relative was left unhurt.

When our reporter visited the bank on Friday, normal banking activities were going on and the said official car was seen neatly packed at the premises of the bank.

One of the bankers in the bank (names withheld) said it is sad for them to lose such a distinguished banker, who was very urbane and a real gentleman to the core.