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• President/CEO, Baywood Group, Emperor Chris Baywood Ibe (middle), with Prof Pat Utomi (left) and his wife at the burial of Ibe's father, Chief Benson Ibe, at Isu-Awaa, Enugu State

Three lawyers, twins abducted in Delta

SUSPECTED abductors have seized three lawyers and two twin brothers in Ughelli, Ughelli North Local Government of Delta State.

The hoodlums were said to have been terrorising Ughelli and its environs for sometime.

The three lawyers are: John Okoriko, Fred Erha, a serving councillor in Ethiope East Local and Naira Idogwu.

The abducted twin brothers are: Wilson Odibo and Ayo Odibo.

It was learnt that the man-

- Filling station manager killed
- Residents doubt police protection

From Polycarp Orosevwtu, Ughelli

ager of a popular filling station on Port Harcourt Road was also kidnapped and killed after paying N3 million ransom.

The spate of abduction in the area has heightened tension.

Residents of Ughelli community expressed doubt about

the ability of the police to protect them and their property.

They said the police were helpless to tackle robbery and kidnapping.

The residents said movements have been restricted because of the incidents.

It was learnt that besides Idogu and Erha, who were kidnapped the previous week, Okoriko, the twin brothers and the manager were kidnapped

at the weekend.

One of the residents, who spoke in confidence for security reasons, said the police in Ughelli appeared helpless to tackle the increasing insecurity in the area.

Efforts to speak with police spokesman Celestine Kalu, a Deputy Superintendent of Police (DSP), were unsuccessful.

Her mobile phones did not go through.

Two Lagos policemen missing after attack by vandals