



• The late Omolade

Man beats wife to death

From **SEGUN OLATUNJI**, Abeokuta

THE police in Ogun State have arrested a 50-year-old man, Bartholomew Ehimare for allegedly beating his wife, Omolade to death in Sagamu, Sagamu Local Government Area of the state.

Ehimare, a consultant to the Sagamu Local Government Area council was alleged to have on May 2, battered his wife of six years in their residents in the G.R.A area of Sagamu, resulting in the woman's death.

According to neighbours who pleaded anonymity, Ehimare was said to have had a domestic quarrel with his wife over certain issues, which made the 32-year-old mother of two attempted to move out of their matrimonial home.

But in his attempt to stop his wife from leaving, Ehimare was said to have made efforts to seize her bags.

It was gathered that during the fight for the bags between the couple, Omolade allegedly fell and passed out.

Our correspondent gath-

ered that immediately his wife went into coma, Ehimare ran out of the house and reported at Igboobi Police Station in Sagamu that his wife had taken poison and died.

Omolade was later rushed to the Olabisi Onabanjo University Teaching Hospital, Sagamu, where she died the next day.

The police then arrested Ehimare and later transferred him to the state Police Command Headquarters, Eleweran, Abeokuta, where he is currently being interrogated.

72-year-old Madam Florence Osidero, mother of the victim told *Daily Sun* in Sagamu that Ehimare was fond of beating his wife, resulting in her being hospitalised several times.

Madam Osidero, who wept profusely alleged that Ehimare who had always acted jealously had on several occasions accused her daughter of "too much packaging" and dressing provocatively.

She claimed to have reported the frequent domestic fights between the couple to Ehimare's father long before the incident

occurred.

She alleged that the cumulative effect of the frequent beating meted out to her daughter by her husband must have resulted in her untimely death, stressing that she was yet to come out of the shock since the incident occurred.

The deceased mother has been taken to her relations who have been keeping close watch on her and the two children of the deceased. She however, said she had forgiven Ehimare for causing the death of her daughter.

"I warned my daughter enough not to marry him but she would not listen to me. What can I do now, I have forgiven him as our Father in heaven do forgive us our own trespasses," she said.

The state Police Public Relations Officer, Muyiwa Adejobi confirmed Ehimare's arrest and interrogation over the death of his wife.

Adejobi, a Deputy Superintendent of Police said: "Yes, the story is true. The matter is with the CID Eleweran, Abeokuta for proper investigation."

Fake Customs officer nabbed

From **Paul Osuyi**, Asaba

OPERATIVES of Delta State Police Command have arrested a suspected fraudster, Vincent Ofojua, who had allegedly been defrauding unsuspecting members of the public of various sums of money

under the pretext of being a customs officer.

It was gathered that the suspect, usually approached his victims by impersonating as John Eze, an officer of the Nigerian Customs Service who has been given mandate to auction seized goods. Most members of the pub-

lic have fallen for the trap and have lost huge sum of money to him.

But his game was up after he successfully duped Victor Odiase, N1.5 million at Boji-Boji Owa last month and disappeared to Mararaba town, Nasarawa State where operatives trailed and arrested him.

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