

Student stabbed friend to death over loan

By Emeka Mamah

KADUNA—A 31 year old ND1 Chemical Engineering student of Kaduna Polytechnic, Suleiman Yusuf Oyibo has allegedly stabbed one Yahaya Ali said to be his friend to death over a N30,000 loan.

The Kaduna state Commissioner of Police, Ernest Ibhaze told newsmen weekend in Kaduna that the deceased who was a staff of Kaduna State Water Board left home for work on June 5, 2007, but failed to return home, pointing out that his corpse was found two days later near the Kawo Primary School within the metropolis with matchet cuts all over his body.

Ibhaze said that further police investigations revealed that he was killed by his close friend identified as Suleiman Yusuf Oyibo.

"Suleiman Yusuf Oyibo a student of Kaduna Polytechnic, who was last seen with the deceased, was arrested and found with the deceased Water Board and national Identity cards. On further investigations the suspect confessed that he

killed the deceased in his room when he visited him and thereafter called one of his friends Yunusa Isiaka an HND 1 student of Textile Technology, Kaduna Polytechnic who came to assist him in disposing off the body using the deceased's car.

"The suspect later called one Abdulkarim Imran a motor mechanic who removed the vehicle a red Honda Civic from the scene to Tudun Wada with the intent to dispose it. The suspects have all been arrested and would soon be arraigned before a law court," he said.

However, the suspect admitted killing the deceased, saying that it was the devils work.

"I did not kill him intentionally. He came to my house to collect my refrigerator which I was to use as collateral to collect a loan of N30,000 from him.

"I asked him to give me the money but he said that was not the agreement, but that we were to take the refrigerator to the cashier where he would give me the money and take the refrigerator.

"He brought out a knife and while we were struggling the knife cut him and he died. I then called my friend Yunusa Isiaka to come and help me so that we can take the body away. The only mistake I made was not to have called the police," he said.

On his part, Isiaka said he was innocent of the crime, pointing out that his friend only wanted to implicate him in the matter.

"My friend is involved in killing somebody and he wants to involve me. I called him as I have not heard from him for some days and he said I should come immediately. We met at the Kawo Primary School field where he told me that he wanted to sell a red Honda Civic car that somebody sold to him for N30,000.

"Then we called the mechanic to come and take the car away. It was the next day that he told me what actually happened and blackmailed me that if I tell anybody then we would all be involved. He then gave me a phone which I sold for N7,000," Isiaka said.

In another development,

the police also accused one Malam Barde of Arak 1, Wase district of Sanga LGA of beating his grandson, Barnabas Simon to death for allegedly belonging to a secret cult and being responsible for multiple deaths of his sons.

According to the police, "Malam Barde was arrested for killing his 10 year old grandson Barnabas Simon. The suspect confessed to the killing of his grandson for allegedly belonging to a secret cult which became the cause of multiple deaths of his children recently.

"Also on June 5 one Suleiman Ahmed of Mararaban Jos was arrested by police detectives at Rigachikun for causing the death of his divorced wife one Binta Suleiman. "The suspect went to the deceased's family house, where she resides following the separation over a month ago, and asked for their son the deceased replied that the boy was not at home. From there the suspect became furious and beat her to a state of coma and she later died," the CP said.