

NEWS EXTRA

Youths apprehend robbers, roast three alive

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WARRI—A GANG of four heavily armed robbers weekend shot dead a middle aged business woman along the NPA/Ekurede Itsekiri expressway in Warri while vigilant youths of the area caught three of the robbers and roasted them alive with the third escaping into the nearby bush.

The robbers who had earlier robbed a businessman at Ejemudaro road of undisclosed amount of cash was alleged to have chased the victim at top speed to the Ekurede area after shooting her on the jaw but her driver still succeeded in getting to their area.

Luck however ran out of them when the late woman's chauffer made a sudden detour into Ekurede Itsekiri road at a sharp bend that the robbers, in a Honda car with registration number Delta AL 623KPE could not safely negotiate and therefore ran across a culvert into a mechanic workshop and rammed into a BMW car whose owner was present at the scene.

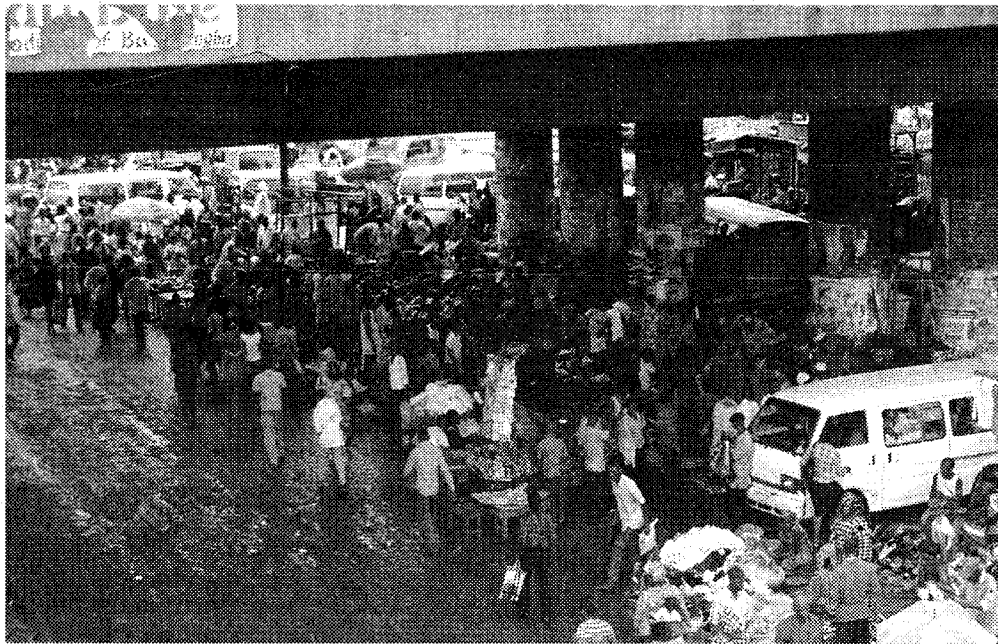
Narrating his experience, the owner of the BMW said he immediately approached the occupants of the Honda car unknowing to him that they were robbers only for them to alight from the bashed car with guns, adding that he quietly disappeared and alerted others in the area who

then engaged the robbers in a gun duel leading to the death of three of the hoodlums with one escaping into the bush.

Policemen from the "A" Division in Warri were seen taking particulars of the Honda car when *Vanguard* visited the scene and thereafter carried the

charred remains of the three burnt robbers to the Cemetery for burial.

Meanwhile, the woman whose husband, Mr. David O. Etuwewe works with Chevron, was rushed to the Chevron Clinic for treatment but he gave up the ghost and is currently at the clinic morgue.



RESUMPTION AFTER THE FOUR DAY OLD STRIKE IN LAGOS—Pix shows improved market activities as work resumed at Oshodi, Lagos yesterday. Photo: Oduyayo Odusanya