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30-year-old bricklayer allegedly kills father

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ABEOKUTA—A 30-year-old bricklayer, Tunde Olagesin, has been arrested by Ogun State Police Command for killing his 70-year-old father.

The suspected murderer was paraded alongside 70 others arrested for different offences ranging from cultism, drug peddling, armed robbery among others.

During the parade, Olagesin denied killing his father, adding that his father was his source of inspiration.

He further explained that on the day his father died, a mere argument ensued between him and his father, which prompted his father to bring out a cutlass against him jokingly.

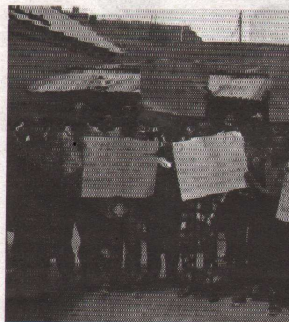
He said: "I cannot kill my dad, we play football together, everyone knows us in our street. We are just like twins because we are of the same height.

"I am a bricklayer, I am supposed to go to somewhere on May 7, but I was unable to go because we had no transport fare. So, I decided to go to Oshodi where I do my bricklaying work.

"Against my decision to go to Oshodi, my dad said I must not go and we started dragging it, it was in that process that my dad went to close the kitchen door where I could have exited from and he was holding a cutlass.

"While we were dragging it, the cutlass fell down and he fell on it. I didn't even know that he had died. It was one of my siblings that came around and discovered it. That was what happened.

Speaking with newsmen, the state Commissioner of Police, Bashir Makama, described the arrest as a success of the Operation Puff Adder, which was initiated by Acting Inspector General of Police, Mohammed Adamu.



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