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SATURDAY, JUNE 22, 1985, IMOUDU HALL, NLC

## JOHN OLAYODE AKERELE 1944 — 1984

The All Nigeria Peace and Solidarity Organisation (ANPSO) is holding a lecture in memory of one of its most active and irrepressible members Late Comrade John Olayode Akerele o Saturday, June 22, 1985.

Late Comrade John Akerele who was also a principal secretary with the Civil

Service Technical Workers Union of Nigeria (CSTWUN) died in a car crash along the Lagos—Ibadan Express road on June 14, 1984. He was buried on June 23, 1984.

The lecture whose theme is: "The Role of Cadres and Activists in Mass Organisations" will have the following as sub-themes (a) The Working Class in a Depressed Economy (b) Workers, Armies and Politics.

The lecture which will be held in Imoudu Hall, Nigeria Labour Congress, Lagos is expected to draw about 2,000 participants including veteran and eminent trade unionists. Amost all the trade unions will be represented.

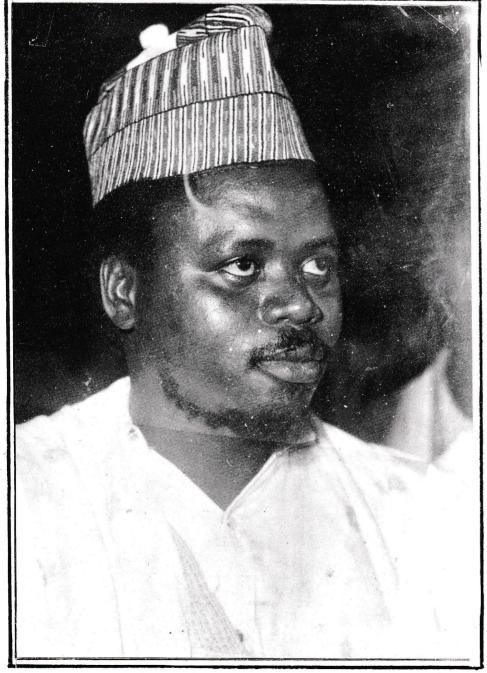
In a statement the ANPSO said that the objective of the lecture is to highlight the need for militancy, dedication and commitment; spirit of courage and comradeship in the struggle for workers rights, the problems and class nature of the Nigerian Society as well as remind all comrades of the irreparable loss.

Late John Akerele was described as an achiever by the president of CSTWUN who said in a tribute during his burial "John Olayode Akerele meant more than this or that.... Infact....he was an unbeatable achiever, a resourceful and energetic organiser and administrator".

Others who paid tribute to him among others included Comrade Dapo Fatogun, Editor—in—Chief, New Horizon, Dr. L. A. Ogunde, Deputy General Secretary, NLC, Mr. V. Olamide Ogundimu, Permanent Secretary, Lagos State Ministry of Local Government and Chieftaincy Affairs and Comrade S. K. Oyebanjo, General Secretary, National Union of Food, Beverages and Tobacco Employees.

In his tribute Comrade Fatogun predicted that John Akerele's proletarian spirit will keep marching because he was, "without doubt, one of the up-coming Marxist — Leninists in this country on whom the future reposed very high hopes".

The organisers say the memorial lecture is being held so as to remind and re-strengthen all members of the working class of their role in the Nigerian society.



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