GUINA-ANG BONTOK PUBLISHED TEXTS

The *Lopis*¹ Marriage Ceremonies (Text C09)

- 1. Nan lopis ay inarkhew ay na-ay, siya nan chono ay fotog nan magmagret ay ma-id nowang si makchag.
- 2. Siya pay khes nan chono ay ma-ikkan si nan marpasan nan karang ay epchas inmafong nan sin-asawa, ya siya nan ma-isned si nan chono ay ninowang, ay lepas nan chono ay it is followed by the rituals when water ma-ikkan si nan sin-asawa.
- 3. Nan lapon nan lopis, insangfo nan kakad-an che-ev afong ay nan afongcha, sin-asawa ay mo way ma-itatapiyancha as esa ay afong, ay aman nan fafa-i mo faken nan laraki nan kan-ama.
- nan kakad-ancha.
- 5. Achi pay nan sangfowena, achi 5. When they hold this pig sacrifice, the ilangen nan amam-a, ay fotlencha et old men do not distribute the raw pig asinancha ay mangikhakho.
- 6. Mawi-it pan, ya encha fomangon si nan esa ay ab-afongan si fafarro, et omeycha omara as pakhey si arang.
- 7. Nan omayancha, mangon-ona nan in-ina wenno am-ama ay aman nan che-ey chomno et e-egnana nan ongot performing the *chono* ceremony goes ay napapay-an si akit ay tapey, et siya ahead holding a coconut shell bowl in akhes nan somkhep ay mangipachakar which a little rice beer has been placed,

- 1. This *lopis* wedding ceremony that is performed in the inarkhew 'day style', it is the ceremony when pigs are killed because there are no water buffalo to kill.
- 2. This is also the marriage ritual that is held after the completion of the kalang wedding ceremony when the husband and wife have just begun living together, and buffalo are killed, which is the final ceremony performed by a husband and wife.
- 3. At the beginning of the lopis ceremonies, the household where the husband and wife stay hold a daytime pig sacrifice, including whoever they stay with in the same house, whether the father of the woman or of the man
- 4. Oray fakencha ama ay iyon-acha 4. Even if it is not their father but an older sibling that they stay with.
 - meat, they cut it into slices and salt it for putting away.
 - 6. In the early morning, they go to a ward house to wake up some of the young men, and they go to get rice from the granary.
 - 7. As they go, the old woman or the old man who is the father of the person

si nan pakhey as arang, esa soponen nan che-eycha inmey, ay wad-ay warocha wenno sinporo ya chowa.

- and that person also is the one who will enter the granary to pass out the rice, then the others who went pile it (into the carrying baskets), there can be eight or twelve (people).
- 8. Isa-archa chi et mangancha, esacha 8. They take it back to the village and eat, pan masisyan ay koma-an.
 - then they disperse.
- 9. Ag-akhew, mayomyom nan inin-a ay 9. In the midmorning, the older women akhicha ya kakayongcha et fayowencha engkhanay amfattang, mo achi karpas si nan kag-aw.
 - who are their relatives and their friends gather and pound rice until the afternoon. if they did not finish it by noon.
- 10. Mangancha met la-eng che-eycha infayo.
 - nan 10. The ones who pound also eat.
- 11. Kag-aw si nan infab-ayowancha, chey insangfo akhes nan che-ey aliwidna.
- 11. In the noon of their rice pounding, the other parent-in-law also performs a pig sacrifice.
- 12. Mawakas akhes, chey encha akhes 12. The next day also, they go to get rice mamakhey si nan arang nan che-ey ninsangfo, et soma-archa mangancha, esacha khes koma-an, ya wacha akhes nan inomencha ay fayas si nan soma-arancha.
 - from the granary of the one who held a pig sacrifice, and when they return home they eat, then they also leave, they also drink sugarcane wine when they return to the village.
- 13. Achi pay ag-akhew, mayomyom 13. So in the midmorning, the women nan inin-a ay mamayos chis nan pakhev.
 - gather there to pound rice.
- 14. Chey nan tona ay arkhew, siya nan manongsongan nan che-ey aman nan chomno.
- 14. On this day, it is the time when the father of the person holding the dono performs the songsong ceremony.
- 15. Songsongana, ay apedna aran nan khinekhed ay watwat sa-et nan tafako, kecheng ay ipa-eyna as nan topil nan che-ey khinekhed sanat afoyan, ay as ya-angkhay nan kanana, ay kaneg lowaro, ay mangipakhawis si nan am-in ay ma-ik-ikkan, am-amed nan encha manarrateyan, ay kananan, "Inkhakhawischa nan manarratey."
 - 15. In performing the songsong, he just gets a slice of meat and some tobacco, then he puts that slice of meat into a *topil* basket and says an abov prayer over it, he just says anything, like a church prayer, to bless² what is to be done, especially their going to get the logs for the vat stand, he says, "May those who get the vat stand logs be blessed."
- 16. Achi pay mawakas, siya nan 16. The following day, it is what they call

kanancha en koskos.

- 17. amam-a mayomyoman nan omeycha mamating si nan matakho, ya nan as-asag-en nan omayancha, tay because they return to the village soon. cha-an ya soma-archa.
- 18. Soma-archa pan et ominomcha, 18. When they have returned home and kecheng ay mafalin ay masisyancha ay had a drink, then they disperse to take mangney si nan ka-ab-afongancha.
- tapina, et wachacha nan ma-iyafat ay some of the men meet them, so they then tapin nan amam-a, chey enchat go to catch a pig and they kill it. chepapen nan esay fotog ay khertencha.
- 20. Fotlencha et ikhakhocha.
- 21. Kecheng pan ay mawakas encha 21. Then the next day they go to get the mamarratey.
- 22. As nan amfattang si nan koskos, kasina akhes songsongen et achicha mangan si nan maschem, et mawakas khes av charratev, maka-ev nan che-ey chomno et wa nan am-ama ay kaneg mamoforeg an siya, sa-et wacha nan e-egnancha ay ono-on.
- 23. Maschem khes si nan charratey, achicha mangan, et engkhana ay mawakas, achi kayet mangan si nan wi-it, oray nan kag-aw, chey nan maschem achi kayet mangan, ngem mafalin ay nan tapey mo way inney si teken ay ipokhaw, siya nan kommanancha et sokod kasi mawakas esacha mangan ay khawis.
- 24. Maligwatchas afongna mangon-ona nan che-ey am-ama ya man and the person holding dono lead the nan che-ey chomno, sa omon-onod way, and their companions follow, that is

the *koskos* 'strip bark' (day).

- Nan na-ay koskos siya nan 17. This koskos day is when the men et gather together and go to collect still green branches, they go to a close place,
 - pinangaschas their headaxes to their homes.
- 19. Kecheng ay kasicha omawid nan 19. Then some of them go back again, and
 - 20. They cut up the meat and put it away.
 - vat stand.
 - 22. In the afternoon of the koskos, he again performs the songsong and they do not eat in the evening, and the next day which is the *charratev* "vat stand" (day), the one holding the *chono* goes with them and there is an old man whom he follows, and they hold a lighted bundle of rice stalks.
 - 23. On the evening of the *charratey* (day), they do not eat, (even) until the next day, they do not eat in the morning, even at noon, so in the evening still they do not eat, but if some person has taken rice beer, they can eat of that and not until the next day can they eat well.
- et 24. They start at his house and that old nan ib-acha, ay amam-a ay naligwat si the men who started from the house of the

afong nan chomno as nan mafoforkhancha ay omey, et omeycha as nan che-ey encha manarrateyan.

- 25. Nan na-aycha naligwat as chomno ay sinpamoreg, kaneg chicha nan mangon-ona ay pomoyos nan charet nan ka-ipo-ipokhaw larraraki omeycha khes ay mangchan them there. an chicha.
- 26. Omey nan che-eycha nangon-ona et poyowencha nan esa ay fatang, mo an-ancho, ngem mo ap-aptik chowa they will fell two. nan poyowencha.
- 27. Et wiswisancha nan sipsipna, sacha tokotokan nan insasawing ay ochocha et pay-anchas pangarna.
- 28. Nan pating nan na-ay pinoyocha, siya nan aran nan che-eycha narakay ya nan ongong-a as awitcha.
- 29. Napangar pan chi, chey omeycha nan ipokhaw et atangancha ay mangisa-ar, ay atangan nan tapina nan esa, kowan nan tapina nan esa.
- 30. Nan che-eycha narakay ya nan ongong-a, mangon-onacha sa-et nan che-ey chomno ya nan am-ama ay kadwana, mangon-onacha khes, ay mo naligwatcha achicha kasi sad-esad-en nan che-ey charratey, igchat innana-ad ay soma-ar.
- 31. Mafalin ay wa nan ma-iforeg an chicha ay amam-a.
- narratey, et pachakarencha nan tapey et iwaragchas nan ipokhaw, kanencha sa-et akhes nan fayas ay they drink it and also the sugarcane wine. inomencha.

chomno to go with them as they go in a long line, going to the place where they will get the (tree for the) vat stand.

- 25. This line of people who start from the house of the *chomno*, it is as though these are the first ones to cut (trees for) the vat stand, and the crowd of men go to reach
- 26. The ones who go ahead go and fell one pine tree, if it is tall, but if it is short
- 27. Then they scrape off its bark, then they chop off the large branches on either side and attach them as bearers.
- 28. The small branches of the tree that they fell, that is what the old men and the children get as their loads.
- 29. When the bearers have been attached. the people go and carry it to the village, some carry one of the trees, the rest carry the other.
- 30. Those old men and children, they go ahead and the chomno and the man who is his companion, they go ahead also, and when they start they do not wait for the vat stand logs, they just go straight home.
- 31. Some of the men can accompany them.
- 32. Soma-ar pan chachi nan ma- 32. When those who went to get the vat stand return home, they bring out the rice et beer and share it around the people, and
- 33. Narpascha ay naka-inoman, chey 33. After they have had their drink, they

mangancha.

eat.

- 34. Nakakanancha pay, ay kecheng ay koma-ancha nan ipokhaw, et wacha ya-angkhay nan mataynan ay mangikha-eb si nan che-ey charratey, ya encha omilas sangchar et epchascha ikha-eb, esacha koma-an ya encha khes aran nan lebkan ay inlefekan nan following day. inin-a as nan mawaksana.
 - 34. When they have eaten, the people leave, there are only some left who will make the vat stand, and they go to find a vat and just put it on, then they leave to get the ceremonial pounding trough in which the women will pound on the
- 35. Mawakas, kecheng ay isog-edcha 35. The next day, they place on the vat nan enem ay sangchar ay makan et stand six vats of rice and it is cooked. maroto.
- sinporon ekep ay kopkop, sa-et nan skin, and three double slices of flesh, and toron ekep ay fekhas, ya nan sin-ekep one double slice of thigh meat. ay teklingna.
- 36. Chey okatencha nan watwat ay 36. They bring out ten double slices of
- 37. Nan sinporon ekep ay kopkop, siya nan ichakarcha ay mangiwatwat si nan che-eycha ipokhaw as chera inasaw-an ya cha-an ay ongong-a.
- 37. The ten double slices of skin, that is what they take out to distribute to those people outside who are married and still young.
- 38. Nan che-eycha amam-a ay wachas afong, ay kanancha en tomarowan (wa nan innevcha av favas va tapev av na-ipa-ey si nan tarowan ay khameng mo faken fanga), chicha nan mangiwatwat si nan che-ev epat ekep av fekhas, mo way masawar, mafalin ay agtancha nan tapin nan wachas chera ay ipokhaw.
- 38. Those men who are inside the house. who are called the tomarowan 'fillers of the tarowan' (they have taken sugarcane wine and rice beer to be put in the tarowan wine jar if not in a clay pot), they are the ones who distribute the four double slices of meat, if there is some left over, it can be given to the rest of the people who are outside.
- 39. Nan na-ay met la-eng ay wi-it, wacha nan marpo ay pakhey as nan che-ey aliwid nan che-ey mangipadnos nan sin-asawa (nan che-ey aman nan fafa-i, mo as afong nan laraki nan chomnowancha).
- 39. On this same morning, some bundles of rice come from the co-parent-in-law of the one who is giving the chono for the couple (the father of the woman, if they are holding the *chono* at the house of the man.)
- 40. Wad-ay chowan fetek mo achi 40. There are one hundred if not one huntoron fetek ay pakhey, et iligwat nan epat mo faken limacha ay mangney sid-i as chomnowancha, khes nan ing held by four if not five people, also sinkotlongaw ay faratong ay ib-an nan one kotlongaw basket of faratong beans to
 - dred fifty bundles of rice, which are brought to the house where the dono is be-

pakhey, ay e-egnan nan esa ay in-ina.

- go along with the rice, which is carried by one woman.
- 41. Eneycha chi et isa-adcha.
- 41. They take them and put them down.
- 42. Kecheng ay ilokhicha nan lefek ay 42. Then they begin the ceremonial insowe-eycha.
 - pounding singing the sowe-ey song.
- 43. Wad-aycha khes nan inin-a ay mayomyom ay mangney si nan achangcha ay pakhey ay toron iting, nan esa wad-ay nan epat iting, chey nan tapina powak, isonga angsan nan mayomyom ay pakhey.
- 43. There are also women gathered there who have taken their wedding gift such as fifteen bundles of rice, from one there may by twenty bundles, from others twenty-five bundles, that is why there is a great amount of rice gathered there.
- 44. Achi pay nan na-aycha mangney si 44. These women who have taken their nan achangcha, chicha nan lapon inlefek, ay mangib-as nan che-eycha joining with those women who brought inin-a ay nangney si nan fachang.
 - wedding gift, these are the first to pound, the fachang 'help' (rice).
- 45. Na-ilokhi nan lefek sid-i.
- 45. The ceremonial pounding begins there
- Narpas av ninwatwatcha mangancha.
- et 46. After distributing meat they eat.
- 47. Nakakanancha pan, chey omey 47. After they have eaten, the women go nan inin-a et khonotencha nan che-ey to snatch the rice from four of the vats. epat sangchar ay makan, ay inchid- shoving forward so each can dig out some ligcha ay waschin khoma-od kowana.
- si for herself
- 48. Isongna nan makan aped ma-iwasit 48. That is why the cooked rice is just tay achicha igtek ay mangara.
 - wasted because they do not get it properly.
- 49. Ig khes ka-asi nan ma-id arana ay tarkana.
- 49. It is too bad for those who don't get makan, tay mampay khinnonot, ngem any rice, because it is done by snatching, wacha nan mapno nan sokopna wenno but there are some who fill up a sokop basket or a head basket.
- 50. Mamingsan pay et wa nan ig 50. Sometimes moreover there are women ma-atongan, ay atongan si makan.
 - who are badly burned, burned by cooked rice.
- 51. Khinonotcha chi nan epat sangchar 51. When they have grabbed the cooked ay makan, et waschin mangney si rice from the four vats, each takes what

afongnas nan khinonotna.

- 52. Nakhonot nan makan, nan ninwatwat, nakakanancha ay nangan si nan chowa ay sangchar ay makan, kecheng ay enchat chepapen nan fotog ay kananchan senga.
- 53. Eneycha, chey khertencha, sachat 53. They take it, and kill it, and then they sakfaten et enevchas aliwidna, av ifoforeg nan inan ya aman nan chomno.
- laraki, esacha kasi iyawid as chomno et fekfekencha.
- 55. Fotlencha khes chi et ikhakhocha, chey nan potona kowan nan inchono ay kanancha, ay nan che-eycha chowa ay ongong-a ay encha inayakhan as nan che-ey afat nan chey chomno ay laraki, sa-et nan mamagkhit ay pangfeg nan fafa-i as kamagmagkhitna, ay naseseypancha ay sin-asawa.
- 56. Et nan na-aycha inchono, chicha nan mafabfa-ar ya infab-ayo engkhana ay marpas nan lopis, ay mapokar nan charrateyna.
- 57. Achi pay wa nan en-eneycha ay makan ya watwat nan na-aycha inchono as nan ag-akhew ya nan in the midmorning and in the evening. maschem ay khiniyagcha.
- 58. Na-ilokhi akhes nan ayyeng si nan na-ay ay arkhew.
- 59. Inlebrefek nan inin-a et engkhana ay ma-amfattang, chey nan khes noon, as for the men, what they do is conamam-a, kowacha ay mangay-ayyeng.
- 60. Ma-isoyaw pan khes, kecheng ay 60. In the early afternoon also, they place isog-edcha nan enem ay sangchar mo over the fire six if not five vats, and cook

she got to her house.

- va 52. After the rice has been grabbed, and those who received meat shares have eaten, eating from the two vats of rice, they go to catch a pig for what is called the *senga* sacrifice.
 - carry it on their shoulders taking it to their co-parents-in-law, the mother and father of the chomno follow.
- 54. Omeycha as chi kapey-en nan 54. They go there and the man says a kapya prayer over it, then they again return it to the house of the chomno and butcher it.
 - 55. They cut up the meat and put it away, the intestines belong to what they call the inchono "workers", two boys whom they go to call from the ward house of the man who is the chomno, and the young women who were the sleeping hut companions of the woman when she was still unmarried, when they were sleeping together as a couple.
 - 56. These workers, these are the ones who are the messengers and the rice pounders until the end of the lopis ceremonies, when its vat stand has been dismantled
 - 57. These workers are taking rice and meat that they have put in their rice plates
 - 58. The singing of the *ayyeng* song begins again on this day.
 - 59. The women pound rice until the aftertinually sing the avveng.

faken lima, et lotowencha nan makan.

- 61. Naroto chi, chey omeycha khes nan inin-a ay mangonot si nan epat ay sangchar, et nan chowa ay sangchar ogkhay, tay as kanen nan mana-ing si food of the singers of the cha-ing song in nan maschem.
- 62. Achi pay maschem, siya nan 62. So in the evening, that is what they kanancha en cha-ing.
- 63. Nan na-ay cha-ing, magret nan esa 63. On this *cha-ing* (evening), a pig is ay fotog et maroto.
- 64. Mayomyomcha khes nan ipokhaw si na ay mangiwatwat, ngem achicha aped iwatwat mo cha-an marpas nan che-ey cha-ing, ay kaneg ayyeng ngem teken tay wacha nan fib-ilangencha as na ay kankanancha, sachat ig iyaw-awe ay mangwani.
- 65. Nan cha-ing anchoancho, isonga 65. The *cha-ing* is very long, that is why ilokhicha nan lapona et lepasencha nan akit, mo nabray nan topekcha as nan fokhaw chey isa-adcha et mangayyengcha.
- 66. Marpas nan ka-at ay ayyeng, chey 66. After how many ayyeng songs, then kasicha khes itorey nan cha-ing.
- khana ay marpas nan che-ey cha-ing what they call the *cha-ing* is finished. ay kanancha.
- kecheng ay iwatwatchat nan che-ey the meat of the pig that they have cooked. fotog ay linotocha.
- 69. Inwatwatcha chi, mafokar nan ipokhaw, ngem wachacha disperse, but there are those who are left nan mataynan ay omiyan.
- 70. Nan che-eycha omey makicha-ing, wacha nan tanfocha ay tapey, tafako, singing of the cha-ing, they make wenno fayas ay inawitcha as nan donations of rice beer, tobacco, or omayancha, et in-inomencha kannay sugarcane wine which they carried with

61. After it is cooked, the women go again to snatch the rice from four of the vats, two of the vats stay, because they are the the evening.

rice.

- call the *cha-ing* (time).
- killed and cooked.
- 64. The people again gather here to receive meat shares, but they do not hand out the meat if the singing of the cha-ing is not yet finished, it is like the avveng song but it is different because there are a fixed number of things that they sing, and they shout as they sing.
- they start the beginning of it and finish a little, when their mouths are tired from the shouting they stop and sing the ayyeng.
- they again begin to sing the *cha-ing*.
- 67. Siyasiya nan ikkancha, et eng- 67. This is what they keep on doing, until
- 68. Narpas nan cha-ing ay makwani, 68. After the *cha-ing*, then they distribute
 - kecheng ay 69. After receiving their shares, the people behind to stay overnight.
 - 70. Those people who go to join in the

sid-i ay ipokhaw.

- them when they went there, and the people there drink it straight away.
- 71. Mawaksan nan cha-ing si nan ag-akhew, mayomyom akhes nan ipokhaw ay amam-a et parparencha chickens. nan epat ay manok.
 - 71. In the midmorning of the day after the cha-ing, the men gather again and kill six
- 72. Parparencha nan esa as sokrot, ya 72. They kill one in the sleeping area, and chowa as nan le-em as afong, sa-et two in the eating area of the house, and nan esa as chera.
 - one outside.
- 73. Achi pay nan che-ey esas sokrot ay manok, wa nan tekemna, ay sin-ekep sleeping area, it has meat added to it, one ya nan sinfotor ay teklingna.
- 73. That one chicken (that is killed) in the double slice and a slice of thigh meat.
- 74. Nan chowa ay manok si nan le-em, toron ekep nan tekemna ay watwat, sa-et akhes nan toron ekep ay tekem nan che-ey naparpar as chera.
- 74. As for the two chickens in the eating area. three double slices are the accompanying portion of meat, and three double slices are also the added portion of the one that is killed outside.
- 75. Mo naroto chachi, kecheng ay i- 75. When they are cooked, they distribute watwatcha.
 - them.
- 76. As afong nan aliwidna omeycha 76. Some of the men also go to the house khes nan ib-an nan amam-a, ay mangiwatwat si nan na-ikhakhos chi.
- of their co-parent-in-law, to distribute meat from what had been put away there.
- 77. Wacha kayet nan khonoten nan 77. There is again the grabbing of cooked inin-a ay makan, ay toro mo faken epat rice by the women, three or four vats. ay sangchar.
- 78. Siya nan khes ay arkhew nan 78. That day also is the second day of pidwan si lefek.
 - lefek ceremonial pounding.
- 79. Achi pay nan inin-a mayomyomcha 79. The women gather to pound. khes ay inlefek.
- 80. Siya nan pidwan si lefek nan wad-ay nan inney nan inin-a ay kanegcha tanfo ay as ya-angkhay ay tapey, kisporo, wenno sinapa.
- 80. It is on this second day of ceremonial pounding that the women bring their contributions of anything such as rice, matches, or food cooked with sugar.
- 81. Ngem nan eneycha, kowacha 81. But what they take, it belongs only to ya-angkhay ay inlebrefek, chicha nan those who do the pounding, they are the mangmangan.
- ones to eat it

- 82. Oray nan ongong-a, omeycha 82. Even the children, they go to join in makikhog-orad nan che-eycha si en-eney nan inin-a, isonga khomenekcha ay inlebrefek ay apedcha khomig-iyaw, tay nan che-ey mampay because of the food that they took, which eneycha ay makmakan, ay khog-ara- is being snatched by the childen. chen nan ongong-a.
- 83. Engkhana ay marpas nan lefek, esa ma-id khig-iyawancha as makmakan, tay chicha ay inlebrefek, kanegcha khes in-imommorta, isonga mo way laychencha ay i omaras tapey, wenno sino chey, ingadnancha siya ay as ya-angkhay kananchan siya.
- 84. Achi pay wa nan i omara, et 84. So there is sometimes something that eneyna, khonoten nan ongong-a.
- 85. Siyasiya nan ik-ikkancha ay inlebrefek, et engkhana ay maroto nan makan ay encha inkhonot, esa marpas tay ngawngawen nan lefek, khonot, ay nan che-eycha inlebrefek omey nan tapina ay makikhonot, isonga akit nan mataynan ay inlefek.
- 86. Siya chi nan somang-an nan mataynan et kecheng ay mafokarcha kay man.
- chowa ay larraraki ay inchono ay ongong-as nan ab-afongan nan che-ey chomno, et encha waswasen nan pangatorcha ay kanancha en, "Akas the pangafong3 (feast)." pangafong."
- 88. Achi pay maschem siya nan pangafong ay omayan nan am-in ay pangatorna ay amam-a, fafarro ya nan anan-ak ay i mangan sid-i as chomno.
- Nan ikkancha,

- grabbing for what the women took, that is why they remain quiet while they are pounding then suddenly shout out,
- 83. Not until the end of ceremonial pounding, that is when there is no more shouting out, those who are pounding, it is though they are imposing fines, because if they want someone to go get rice beer, or whatever, they just name that person and just say anything to her.
- a person goes to get, and when she takes it, the children snatch it away.
- 85. That is what the rice pounders continue to do, until the rice is cooked that they go to grab, then the pounding is finished, because the grabbing creates confusion, some of the rice pounders go to join in grabbing for cooked rice, and only a few are left to pound.
- 86. That is what discourages the ones left and so they separate.
- 87. Amfattang, omey nan che-eycha 87. In the afternoon, those two workers who are boys from the ward house of the chomno, they go to each of the houses of their fellow ward mates saying, "Come to
 - 88. In the evening, that is the *pangafong* feast when all the ward mates of the man go, young men and boys go to eat with the chomno.
- mayomyomcha 89. What they do, they gather first at their onas nan che-ey ab-afongancha, ngem ward house, but some of them can go first

mafalin ay wacha nan tapina ay to the house of the *chomno*, they do not go mangon-onas chomno, ay ad-i chomakar onas nan ab-afongancha, et mo gathered each one lights the pitch pine mayomyomcha chey waschin minngeteg si ine-egnana ay sareng, et man, leading the others follow going to mangon-ona nan esa ay am-ama, et the house of the *chomno*. maforegcha ay omey si afong nan che-ey chomno.

first to the ward house, and when they are torch that he is holding, and with one old

- 90. Omchanchas chi, chey inwe-ercha ay mangwani en inmali nan inpangafong.
- 90. When they arrive there, they sing a weel song, "The pangafong feasters have come."
- 91. Kecheng ay nakawe-erancha, mangayyengcha, et marpas chey pachakarencha pan nan tapey ay nakha-eb si nan toro mo faken epat ay fanga, et been made in three or four jars, and the kanen nan che-eycha inpangafong.
 - 91. After they have sung the we-er song, they sing the ayyeng, and when that is finished they bring out the rice beer that has pangafong feasters consume it.
- 92. Narpas pan nan kakanchas nan 92. When the rice beer has been tapey, chey ilokhicha pan nan ayyeng et engkhana ay maroto nan iwatwatcha, ngem wacha khes nan fayas ay inomencha.
- consumed, they begin to sing ayyeng until the meat that is to be distributed is cooked, but there is also some sugarcane wine that they drink.
- 93. Naroto pan et inwatwatcha, esacha mangan, chey kasincha akhes ngetchan nan sareng av silewcha, et pitch pine that are their torches, and go maforegcha ay omey si nan ab-afo- back to their ward house. ngancha.
- 93. After it is cooked they distribute meat, then they eat, and then again light the
- 94. Omchanchas chi, chey pomatongcha et kaneg matotya nan che-eycha amam-a as okongna, esa pan ward house fire, then one of the men will kanan nan esa ay am-ama en, "Sino say, "Whoever saw a snake or a rat while nan wa nan inilana ay owar wenno otot we were going or returning, tell it." si nan omayantako ya nan omawichantako, ifakhana."
- 94. When they arrive there, they sit down and the older men tell stories around the
- 95. Chey mo ma-id mangifakha, kecheng ay ifakhana en, "Entakot ay, masisyantako, ngono man ya khawis."
- 95. If noone reports anything, he will say, "Let's go, let's disperse, probably everything is good."
- 96. Kecheng ay masisyancha, ay 96. So they disperse, each one goes to his waschin omey si afongna.
 - house.
- 97. Nan fafarro ya ongong-a eneycha 97. The young men and boys take their

nan watwatcha as ka-ab-afongancha, meat shares to their houses, and then sacha kasi omawid ay maseyep.

return to sleep.

98. Isonga ifakhacha nan wa nan 98. The reason they say whether they saw inilana ay otot wenno owar si nan charan, ket panyew ya ta siya ay khet- what they understand. kencha.

a rat or a snake on the trail, it is taboo is

nan nangil-ancha as nan otot, wenno owar, mo faken ya nginongowan si aso chicha, chey kanancha en at nan che-ey chinomno, nan at wa nan nga-ag ay omchan ay ma-ikkan an chicha.

99. Mo nan omayancha as chomno 99. If it was on their way to the house of the *chomno* that they saw a rat, or a snake, or a dog barked at them, they say that as for those people who are the chomno, something bad will happen to them.

100. Ngem mo nan omawichancha as way inilacha, mo faken ya nangongowancha, chey at chicha ay sinpangator nan as wa nan ma-ikkan ay nga-ag, chicha ay sinpangator nan kanpanyew sid-i.

100. But if it was on their return that they saw something, or were barked at, it will be those ward house members to whom something bad will happen, that ward house group are the ones to whom the taboo there belongs.

101. Nan iwatwat nan inpangafong tofotob, am-in nan che-eycha fotog ay nagnagret, sa-et nan kopkop iyib-acha.

101. The meat share that is distributed to the pangafong feasters is the tofotob, all of that pig that they had killed, including the skin.

102. Mawaksan nan pangafong, siya nan kanancha en safosab.

102. The day after the *pangafong* feast is what they call safosab 'wedding prayer' (day).

103. Siya na khes nan mamarparancha as nan esa ay manok, paymo angsan nan manokna, enem ay manok nan chickens can be killed. maparpar.

103. It is on this day also that they kill a chicken, but if he has many chickens, six

104. Nan ma-itapi khes si nan manok, sinporon ekep ay watwat ya nan teklingna ay sin-ekep.

104. What is added to the chicken is ten double slices of meat and the thigh meat, which is one slice.

105. Lotowencha khes chi et maroto, kecheng ay iwatwatcha.

105. They cook this and when it is cooked, they distribute it.

106. Kecheng ay nan tofo, siya chi ay arkhew nan marotowana.

106. The *tofo* rice cakes, it is on this day that they are cooked.

- 107. Achi pay penpenancha ay inin-a 107. The women fill up those small nan che-eycha linakha ay tofon si onas, et kag-aw lotowencha.
- 108. Chey maschem, mayomyom nan inin-a ya ongong-a ya wad-ay met la-eng nan larraraki ay omey, et inwatwatcha, ngem annak-it nan watwatcha, tay akit nan lotowencha, esacha pan cooked, then they eat the tofo rice cakes. mangan si nan tofo.
- 109. Nan mataynan ay tofo, eneycha as nan akhicha, nan sinchodwa mo faken sintotlo, sa-et nan che-eycha inchono ay chowa ay larraraki ay ongong-a, ya nan mamagkhit ay pangfeg nan fafa-i, ened-a nan kowacha, tay wa nan sinpoporocha mo achi ma-ed-edcha, ay eneychas ka-ab-afongancha.
- 110. Nangancha as nan tofo, chey 110. They eat of the rice cakes, then they mafokarcha.
- 111. Mawakas siya nan sikhid ay 111. The next day is what they call the kanancha.
- 112. Ngem nan sikhid, nan maschem nan ma-ikkanana.
- 113. Achi pay nan ag-akhew, wa nan omey ay amam-a, et foma-archa as chi omaras fengwil ad Longfoy as khowab Fanasan.
- 114. Kecheng ay omali nan che-ey nafa-ar ay inmaras fengwil, chey fengwil bamboo come back, they make a likewencha, et wa nan cha-an tofona, sa-et isokrob nan esa ay am-ama.
- pet-akencha, sacha ikakcheng chowa mo fakencha toro, et wa nan men, and there is one person who doesn't esa ay ma-id kowana as nan chey get any of those reeds, then they go pa-or. sacha chomakar pan

- containers made of woven sugarcane leaves, and when it is noon they cook them.
- 108. In the evening, the women and children and also some of the men gather, and they distribute meat, but they only get just a little, because only a few are
- 109. The leftover rice cakes, they take (them) to their relatives, two each if not three each, and those two boys who are the workers, and the young women who are the sleeping hut companions of the woman, they get many, because they can have ten each or more, which they take to their houses.
- separate.
- sikhid 'vat stand removal' (day).
- 112. But the removal of the vat stand, it is at night that it is done.
- 113. In the midmorning, some of the men go (to the house), and they send from there (people) to get *fengwil* bamboo from Longfoy below Fanasan.
- 114. When the ones who were sent to get av circlet out of it, there are still leaves (attached), then one of the old men places it on his head.
- 115. Omaracha akhes si pa-or et 115. They also get reeds and split them, ay then they divide them out to two or three ay outside to perform the *tabtafing* ritual.

intabtafing.

- 116. Chomakarchas nan pantew, chey nan che-eycha nange-egnan si nan pa-or, isag-enchas nan topekcha, et egnan nan esa ay lima, sa-et nan esa ay lima, siya nan manmankang si nan pa-or et napanpanakpak.
- 117. Nan esa ay am-ama ay ma-id e-egnana as pa-or, siya khes nan manochoraw, ay kaneg manas-ayaw si nan inyadyad-anancha.
- 118. Narpascha ay inyadyad-an, chey pomatongcha et farosan nan che-ev manas-ayaw, sacha pan we-eran am-in.
- 119. Nakawe-erancha, kecheng ay kasicha tomakcheg, ay kasi inyad-an, sacha kasi pomatong ya farosan nan che-ey manas-ayaw, sacha we-eran.
- 120. Narpas, kasicha tomakcheg si ikapitlo invad-ancha nan et va manas-ayaw nan esa, sacha kasi pomatong et we-erancha, sacha pan somkhep et ominomcha, tay narpascha ninwatwat esacha intabtafing.
- 121. Naka-inomancha, chey aran pan nan esa nan tapey ay ipa-eycha as nan towwed, et enevna ad Mongaw, siya chi nan kananchan wakey, et apedna fog-isan nan che-ey esay chap-ay ay omaras akit si nan che-ey tapey, sanat isa-ad si nan chap-ay ay as ya-angkhay si kanana ay inkhawisan nan chinomno.
- 122. Achi pay nan che-ey tapey, mo 122. As for that rice beer, if there is a man way ipokhaw ad Mongaw si am-ama, at Mongaw, he will get it and take it arana et enevna as afongna, pay mo home, but if there is nobody there, the one

- 116. They go out to the front yard, and those holding the reeds place them near their mouths, they hold them with one hand, and with the other hand they keep separating (and releasing) the (split) reeds, making a clacking sound.
- 117. The one man who does not hold any reeds, he is also the one to do the *choraw* dance, it is like savaw dancing while (the others) move up and down.
- 118. After they have finished the dance movements, they sit down and the one who was doing the sayaw shouts a faros challenge, then they all sing the we-er song.
- 119. After they have finished the weel song, they again stand up, and again move slowly up and down, then they again sit and the sayaw dancer shouts faros, then again they sing we-er.
- 120. After that, they again stand for the third time to do the vad-an movements while one dances, then they again sit and sing the we-er, then they go inside and drink, because thev have finished distributing the meat and doing the tabtafing.
- 121. After they have finished drinking, one of them gets rice beer and puts it in a towwed container, and takes it to the ward house at Mongaw, this is what they call wakey, and he justs sprinkles some on one of the paving stones using a little of that rice beer, then he puts it down on the paving stone and says anything as a blessing for the *chomno*.

ma-id ipokhaw, nan che-ey nangney who took it will get it and take it home. nan mangara ay mangney si afongna.

- 123. Narpas chi nan tabtafing, et nan kag-aw ma-id ma-ikkan, ay nan che-eycha inchono ya mo way ib-acha
- 124. Ngem ma-isoyaw, ma-isog-ed akhes nan chowa ay sangchar, et of rice are placed on the fire, and rice is maroto nan makan.

as inin-a nan infab-ayo.

- 125. Naroto pan chi, chey omey nan 125. When it is cooked, a few women go akit ay inin-a et khonotencha nan esa and snatch the rice from one of the vats, ay sangchar, ngem khawis ay khonot but that is a good snatching, because they chi, tay amancha khinnowad, mangipa-ey si nan khiyag nan che-ey- the rice plates of those women. cha inin-a.
- 126. Nataynan nan esa ay sangchar, et 126. One vat is left, and it belongs to siya nan kowacha as nan maschem ay sikhid, ay maparparan nan esa ay sikhid vat stand dismantling (time), when manok.
- 127. Mayomyom khes nan ipokhaw si 127. The people gather again in the nan maschem av sikhid et mangancha. sacha pan aped fakasen nan charratey ay mamokar, et wi-iwi-it, sacha pan pasken chi nan charratey.
- 128. Narpascha ay nangan si nan sikhid, chey wa nan omey ay amam-a as afong nan aliwid nan kad-an nan chinomno, et parparencha nan esa ay manok, et inwatwatcha khes sid-i.
- 129. Oray nan inin-a wacha nan 129. Even some of the women can go, and maka-ey, ya oray khes nan che-eycha even the workers, they can also go. inchono, mafalin ay maka-eycha.
- che-eycha inchono, ay mamagkhit ya nan chowa ay ongong-a ay larraraki.
- 131. Omey chachi nan inchono as nan 131. The workers go in the morning and wi-it et mangancha, esacha pan khowachen nan makan, et pay-ancha nan in a sokop basket, if not a head basket, and

- 123. After the tabtafing ritual, in the middle of the day nothing is done, the workers and if they have helpers who are women pound rice.
- 124. But in the early afternoon, two vats cooked.
- av do it using serving ladles, and place it on
 - those who go in the evening, which is the they kill a chicken.
 - evening, which is sikhid, and they eat, then they just destroy the vat stand by breaking it up, and in the early morning, then they split up the vat stand logs.
 - 128. After they have finished eating on the sikhid night, there is an old man who goes to the house of the co-parents-in-law of the place of the *chomno*, and they kill a chicken there also, and distribute it.
- 130. Mawakas siya nan tetekrad nan 130. On the following day is the final day of the workers, that is, the young women and the two boys.
 - eat, then they serve out rice, and place it

sokop, mo faken tat-arakka as nan each one takes it to his house. makan, et waschin mangney si afongna.

- 132. Achi pay mo sinporocha ay 132. So if there are ten workers, they will inchono, sinporo ay tat-araka wenno put meat shares on ten head baskets or sokop nan ipappa-eycha ay watwat si sokop baskets for them to take to their nan eneycha as afongcha ay makan si houses every day and every night. nan winnakas ya minnaschem.
- 133. Waschin nangney pan si kowana 133. Each one takes the rice that belongs ay makan si afongcha, chey kasicha omawid et inkor-opcha, ay kor-opancha nan am-in ay wachas chi, ay khom-i, ya tapa, et encha iwasit si nan fa-ang nan che-ey chinomno, mo faken as ya-angkhay ay fa-ang.
- to them to their house, then they return to gather up the rubbish, they gather up everything that is there, such as empty rice panicles, and the husks, and go to throw it out on the sugarcane patch of those chomno, if not anyone's sugarcane patch.
- 134. Nakakor-opancha, kecheng ay 134. After they have finished the cleaning encha in-emes.
 - up, they go to take a bath.
- et encha mangan si nan finokhay ay kanancha ay makan, sachat iloto nan charan si fotog ya nan chereng nan watwat ay na-asinan.
- 135. Soma-archa khes, kasincha omey 135. When they return home, they again go and eat of what they call the *finokhay*. which is cooked rice, then they cook the blood of the pig with the liquid from the salted meat.
- 136. Marpascha ay mangan, kecheng 136. After they finish eating, they ay mafokarcha, et narpas nan chono- separate, and the work of those who are cha av makwani en inchono.
 - called the workers is finished.
- 137. Nan akhes sin-asawa ay chinom- 137. Also the couple who performed the no, siya chi ay arkhew si nan ag-akhew *chono*, this is the day in the midmorning nan encha in-emsan, ay ad Chakkit when they go to take a bath, at Chakkit for nan fafa-i, chey ad Chatngan nan the woman, and at Chatngan for the man. laraki.
- 138. Kecheng chachi nan ma-ikkan si 138. That is all that is done on that day. nan tod-i ay arkhew.
- nga-ew nan laraki ay chinomno, et formed the chono goes to get wood, and isoblin nan amacha ay i in-emes.
- 139. Mawakas, kecheng ay i ma- 139. The next day, the man who pertheir father takes his turn to go have a bath
- 140. Makag-aw pan, insangfocha ay 140. In the middle of the day, they have a

siva nan terwad.

sangfo pig sacrifice, which is the telwad.

- 141. Achi pay mayomyom amam-a, et parparencha nan chowa ay manok, sachat tekman si chowan ekep of meat if not three and cook it. mo achi toro et lotowencha.
 - nan 141. The men gather, and they kill two chickens, then they add two double slices
- 142. Maroto pan, chey khekhechencha 142. When it is cooked, they slice it up et iwatwatcha esacha mangan, et siya chi nan kanancha en lifon.
 - and distribute it and they eat, and that is what they call *lifon* 'meat distributed prior to the catching of a pig'.
- 143. Narpas nan lifon, chey encha chepapen nan fotog et khertencha.
- 143. When the *lifon* is finished, they go to catch a pig and kill it.
- 144. Achi pay nan na-ay ay magret, angsan nan ma-ilang, et akit nan mataynan.
- 144. This (pig) that is killed, most is distributed as fresh meat, and only a little is left.
- 145. Narpanarpas pan nan terwad, ay na-akhifoyan, kecheng ay intongor nan aliwidna, et khertencha khes nan esa ay fotog.
- 145. After the *terwad* ceremonies are completely finished, that is it has had its akhifoy 'finishing chicken sacrifice', the co-parents-in-law perform a tongor evening pig sacrifice, they also kill another pig.
- 146. Achi pay narpas khes ay nintongor nan aliwidna, chev kasi akhes intongor nan che-ey chinomno, chey narpas chi, ay kecheng ay narpas nan lopis, ay mafalin ay i inlabfo nan chinomno.
- 146. After the co-parents-in-law have finished the tongor sacrifice, the ones holding the *chono* also have a *tongor* pig sacrifice, and after that is finished, the lopis ceremonies are finished, and the couple having the *chono* can go to work.

NOTES

¹ Lopis is the term for the first marriage ceremonies that a couple performs after they begin living together as husband and wife. There are a number of recognized and named ways to perform these ceremonies (see Reid 1961a for details). All are characterized by the sacrifice of pigs rather than water buffalo. The ceremonies described in this text are of the inarkhew 'day style' lopis. The ceremonies may be combined with the karang wedding ceremony, as described in Text C08.

² Literally 'to make good'

³ Literally 'household', but here referring to the group of men who constitute the ward mates of the man holding the feast.