

Ancient Ritual Construction of Saryarka and its Interrelation with Kazakh Ideology

Askar Aitbaev¹, Danyiar Duisenbai², Gulden Aikinbayeva³, Saule Tagayeva⁴,
Dina Yessenova⁵ and Ayzhan Tuyakova⁶

^{1,3,4,5}*L. N. Gumilyov Eurasian National University, Astana, Kazakhstan, 010000*

²*Institute of Archeology after A. Kh. Margulan, Almaty, Kazakhstan, 050010*

⁶*Kazakh University of Economy, Finance and International Trade,
Astana, Kazakhstan, 010000*

E-mail: ¹<askaraitbayev@gmail.com>, ²<daniar_db88@mail.ru>

KEYWORDS Epoch. Ethnographic Time. Ritual Ceremony. Worldview

ABSTRACT This paper shows a close interrelation between the main ritual traditions of burying human beings with a horse in the Kazakh period. The main point of this paper are the burial mounds with “mustache” and its functions in the ritual traditions. There are real examples of researchers’ works which followed from the Bronze Age, Early Iron Age, monuments of Huns and Turkish periods, and other archeological excavations which became the results of analyses and facts. There were researches on the cults of sun, fire and burials. Gathering all the results and examples, the researchers were able to present the similarity in the system of faith, further in the history Kazakh period. For example, in the tradition of sacrifice, there are also some ritual traditions combined with the Kazakh period. According to the authors’ opinions, this goes back to about tens of centuries. The results of this fully developed and selected the one system of ideology. Saryarka is a historical and geographical area that is rich of monuments since the ancient times. This article is focused on the ritual function of the ritual monuments of different times. The research of complex burial mounds with “mustache” and its functions remain important. Ancient traditional constructions associated with the ritual ceremonies of the cults of horses in close cooperation with the era of post-Kazakh relations. Horse has been regarded as the main driving force of the procedures since ancient times. Ideological concepts of the people who lived in Saryarka in ancient times has changed only a little mature, the basic idea is to continue for many centuries.