The Motivation of Naming in North Toraja Society

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Abstract

The objective of this study is to explain the motivation or basic of naming in North Toraja society. This research used descriptive qualitative method by using semantic analysis. Data in this research is proper names that collected from informants or respondents by using interview techniques and note techniques. The results showed that the motivations of naming in North Toraja society are (1) the time of birth; (2) the order of birth; (3) the religious holidays, (4) the name in holy bible; (5) names of famous people or people who idolized; (6) the place of birth; (7) a particular/spesific event; (8) the acronym form; and (9) the similarities between the initial letters of proper name in family.

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I. Introduction

Language is incredibly vital value for human life. Language is means used of man to communicate and interact to each other. Thus, man in the life day of a the day course can not be separated from the language.

Language is closely related to the people also serves to expressing things perceived or thought. In other words, language be instrumental to declare publicly all things that is implied in the chest and the mind of someone, lack of to show that its existence.

One way man shows that known to each other is by using the name. The name is full of the use of language in society. The name can no alone suggest existence the owner, but also show all other organic aspects, of people the name was.

Therefore, nothing is wrong when it is said that name holding a very important role in human life. Through behalf of humans can show his identity, either individually or by group, and using the name it between individuals who one to the individual another and between the one with the group that can be distinguished.

Shakespeare who lived a thousand years 1564-1616 reputedly ever said what is the name? (Sugiri, 2003). In Indonesian, the opinion meant that what apalah arti nama? (Suaradnyana, 2007). Many views that reputedly the opinion suggested that name not has an important meaning. But of also a ceremony the with an opinion. This triggered by the presence of the thought that social conditions be broken if there is no name. Potter (in Sugiri, 2003) said that in the early stages the

history of a language, first words knowns a names. According to him, the community has already been long realized the relationship between name and object its and between name and one who have it (Widodo, 2010; Widodo, 2013).

Proper name is a word used to call themselves and serves as markers the identity of someone. Viewed from the perspective of the science of languages, proper name is appellation lingual a mention as a sign. Proper name, as markers identity can also called as a symbol and had an important role in communication. Proper name as bumper sticker also was a symbol. Set an example of Indonesians name Muhammad Rasyid (Rahmawati, 2013). Muhammad in the name will be the bumper sticker as well as a symbol that Rasyid is a muslim.

But what is the name is another argument in pertaining to a name, in the is prayer (Jendra, 2012; Kosasih, 2010). The opinion said that in the name of someone gotten prayer from give him. For example in North Toraja society, someone named Pare (means rice). The provision of the name was triggered by the child was born in peparean (harvesting season). Behind the name (Pare) there is hope that the son has abundance.

On the other hand, there is a little boy named Minggu, can be concluded born on sunday, not the other day. On the other hand, if someone called with Lai Minggu, so the person male sex and born on Sunday. Born on sunday is the background or motivation of his name. Expectation of the name was is that the son not forget sunday as the day serve for christians.

Study about proper name it can be seen from the perspective of semantic. Semantic is a branch of the lingustik that studies the meanings (Chaer, 2009; Pateda, 2007; Kridalaksana, 2008; Ulman,2012). Ogden and Richards as was quoted as saying by Chaer (2007) explain the meaning by using semantic triangle: konsep (reference) Based on the triangle, there are three things that is form (symbol), concept (reference), and referent.

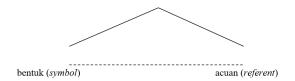
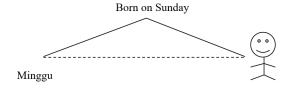


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The form of were the linguistic such as a reference are objects, the fact, or process of that deals with human experience, while the concept is well that is in mind us of the object shown by the form of. According to the theory, no a direct relationship between form (symbol) and referent, so that is depicted with a line dotted. Relations the form and the reference is arbitrer or any because reference everyone is different. Proper name is full of the use of a language that can be examined use semantic triangel Ogden and Richard. Proper name as a sign of can studied from the point of view of form (symbol), concept (reference), and referent. This can be seen in example proper name Minggu:



Phenomena the giving of names like this, found a lot in Toraja society, specifically North Toraja. Many things for the provision of the name was. Behind the name was also is hope or to the lord of name. This article, talk about proper name of North Toraja society, specific reference on motivation from selection proper name in North Toraja society.

II. Method

This research as descriptive qualitative method (Moleong, 2008) by using semantic analysis, specifically semantic triangel Ogden and Richard about form (symbols), concept (reference), and referent. Data sources in this research was the proper names of North

Toraja society. Data was collected with interview techniques and note taking techniques (Djajasudarma, 2006). The determination of the data used as sample was purposive (Mahsun, 2006) or in accordance with the needs of research.

III. 3. Results and Discussion

Motivation is defined as (a) the encouragement that arise in a person consciously or unconsciously to perform an action with a specific purpose; (b) a business that can cause a person or a particular group of people motivated to do something because they want to achieve the goals it wants or gets satisfaction with his actions. Based on the exposure, motivation in this research aligned with the encouragement or basic meaning or background giving the proper name of the people of North Toraja. The motivation of naming in North Toraja can described one by one below.

A. Naming motivated from time of birth

One of the motives or background of naming in North Toraja society is attributed to the time of birth that is the name of the month and day of birth. The name of the month of birth motivated among others Novita Pakambanan. Novita was born in November, because it is named Novita. Another name that is motivated from the name of the month of birth are Desnalia Massarrang (born in December), Agus Somba '(born in August), Meisya Bura (born in May), Febrianto (born in February).

In addition to the month of birth, naming motivations can also be based on the day of birth. This can be seen in the name Sandy. Sandy comes from the word Sunday in English. So the name was given based on the day of birth. Another proper name that is motivated from the day of birth Sattu (Saturday), Duma '(Friday), Minggu (Sunday).

B. Naming motivated from birth order

Birth order is also one motivation in naming. The sequence can be aligned with a row means; barrage. Thus the birth order can be interpreted the birth row. Birth order or sequence of births in this case is the position of children in the family such as the first child, the second child and so on. It can be found in some proper names Wandy Tangnga. Proper name Wandy indicates that having a name was born as the first child. The root word wan on Wandy name is derived from the English one. One it self means first. Thus the proper name Wandy given with motivation birth order, that is born as the first child. Another proper name with the same motivation is Dwiputra (second child), Monora (first child), Trisna (third child), Alfa (first child).

C. Naming motivated from the religious day

One of the motives naming in North Toraja society is the religious day. As is known, the people of North Toraja majority are Christian, so there are many proper names associated with Christian religious days. For example Natalia Intania who was born on the feast of Christmas (also Nataniel, Natalius). There was also the name of Adrianus Paskah born on easter (Paskah).

In addition, because there is also North Toraja people who are muslims, then there is also the name associated with religious days of Islam. For example Nur Fitriany born to coincide with eid (Idul Fitri).

D. Naming motivated from the name in holy bible

Naming in the North Toraja society can also motivated by names in holy bible. It can be seen in proper name Matius Kanan. The proper name Matius is one of a figure in the holy bible. Other proper names that motivated from the name in holy bible are Abraham, Yohanes, Simon, Petrus, Lukas, Markus, Maria, Debora, Sara etc.

E. Naming motivated from names of famous people or people who idolized

One of the motivations of naming in North Toraja society is the name of an idol or a famous person. Referred to emulate or idolize famous people are motivated to use the name of the artist names or figures of certain famous and idolized. Naming that idolized famous people can be seen in the name of Agnesia Tiku P. Agnesia motivated of the name Agnes Monica who is an idol of his brother. Other name are Judika (Judika Idol, mother idolized), Valentino (Valentino Rossi, brother idolized), Anggun (Anggun C. Sasmi mother idolized), Richard (dr. Richard, famous gynecologist in Tana Toraja).

F. Naming motivated from the place of birth

One of the motivations naming in the North Toraja society is place of birth. This can be seen in the data Elimran behalf born in Elim hospital.

G. Naming motivated from a particular or specific event

Naming in North Toraja society there are also motivated with a particular or specific event. This can be seen in the proper name Pare. Pare in Toraja language is synonymous with rice in Indonesian. The child was named Pare because born exactly on the peparean season or the harvest season.

The next name that is associated with a specific event is Paresun. Pare in bahasa Toraja is synonymous with rice in Indonesian. Sun in bahasa Toraja means muncul, in Indonesian. The child was named Paresun as born exactly at the time of rice seeds began to emerge.

The next name that is motivated from special events is Valentina. Valentina name is associated with valentine event that is always celebrated by some people on February 14.

H. Naming motivated from the acronyms form

Motivation naming in North Toraja society some are associated with the acronym. An acronym is an abbreviation which is a combination of letters or syllables, or other parts that are written and pronounced as words wajar. Proper name using the acronym form can be seen in Randan Yuyun. The form of Yu in Yuyun from Yu on Yustin (mother). The form of Yun in Yuyun comes from Yunus (father). Thus the name Yuyun an acronym form of Yustin and Yunus.

The next proper name that associated with the acronym are Yaser Pabuntang (acronym of Yacob and Ester), Hani Ripin Palayuk (acronym of hati nurani), Hanas (acronym of Hari Anak Nasional).

I. Naming motivated from the similarities between the initial letters of proper name in family

Another motivation in naming in North Toraja society is based on the similarity of initials family. This can be seen in the similarity of the first letter in children, for example Restika Reken Pongtengko. Her parents gives name Restika Reken Pongtengko because the older brother of the child named Richard Restu Pongtengko. Shows that there are similarities letter at the beginning of proper names is r on behalf of Richard and r on behalf Restika. The similarity is also seen in the second word of the proper name is r on Restu and r on Reken. The similarity is then also seen in the nickname that Restu and Resti.

Furthermore Ela Tammu name is one of the names given to the similarity based on the initial letters of the name themselves. Parents give Ela Tammu name given because the older sister of the child named Eva Tammu, Eka Tammu, and Edi Tammu. Shows that there are similarities in the initial letter e on a proper name is the name of Ela and e on behalf of Eva. The similarity is also seen in the name of his second and third brother himself is Eka and Edi.

IV. Conclusion

Based on the accounts of the above, it can be concluded that the motivations of naming in North Toraja society are:

- 1. from the time of birth
- 2. from the order of birth
- 3. from the day of religious
- 4. from the name in holy bible
- 5. from names of famous people or people who idolized
- 6. from the place of birth
- 7. from a specific event
- 8. from the acronym form
- 9. from the similarities between the initial letters of the proper name in family

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