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Description: In Boso an old man has been converted - Asante remarks that this shows it is not just the young men who are responding to the message. In Tosen the fetish priest claimed he had received no blessing from serving his fetishes, and now wished to serve the Creator. He invited the Christians to break down his fetish 'temple' and handed over the fetishes, which they took in a triumphal procession back to Anum where they burned them on the station, after having been threatened by the Anum fetish priest who was restrained by the Anum chief. Before the catechist the converted fetish priest his hair cut off, and sat down to enjoy the forbidden foods. In Kpalime an old man has become a catechumen, inviting the catechist and the community to visit his house take away his hunting fetish and burn it. The catechist however appointed a certain day for this ceremony when the community would be there in strength and Asante, too, would be visiting. He sons tried to prevent the destruction of the fetish, and the chief insisted that the burning should take place outside the village. In Nkabukew, renowned for his cruelty, there is also a catechumen.

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