

THE SACRIFICE FOR LIFE OF JURGIS LITHUANIAN
IN UPTON SINCLAIR'S *THE JUNGLE* NOVEL (1906):
AN INDIVIDUAL PSYCHOLOGICAL APPROACH



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CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

A. Background of The Study

By 1900 most American states had enacted food laws, but they were poorly enforced. The effort to enact a federal law was led by Dr. Harvey W. Wiley, head of the Bureau of Chemistry in the Department of Agriculture. Wiley enlisted the support of the more responsible food producers and pharmaceutical manufacturers, the American Medical Association, the General Federation of Women's Clubs, and other consumer groups. He faced the entrenched opposition of the politically powerful Beef Trust, small producers of patent medicines, and southern congressmen concerned with the constitutional validity of the proposed law.

The tide was turned in Wiley's favor by a series of sensational articles by muckraking journalists. Following the embalmed beef scandal of the Spanish-American War in 1898 (this concerned the quality of food supplied to U.S. troops), Charles Edward Russell produced a series of articles exposing the greed and corruption of the Beef Trust. Samuel Hopkins Adams demonstrated that patent medicines were often pernicious compounds of alcohol and other drugs. Then, in January 1906, Upton Sinclair published his best-selling novel *The Jungle*, replete with hair-raising descriptions of the manner in which meat products were prepared in the Chicago stockyards.

From the social background of American society above, the writer knows that there are many sacrifices one of them is sacrifice for life. Sacrifice is forfeiture of something highly valued for the sake of one considers having greater value or claiming. One reason for this neglect may be the controversial nature of sacrificing for one's personal relationship; how sacrifice relates to relationship fact is and individual well-being is highly disputed. On one hand, some individuals (ranging from clinician to feminists to individuals, who simply have experience in romantic relationship) display strong negative opinions of sacrifice in the context of intimate relationship. People live in the world want to make their lives better than they did before and they can be separated with life. Life is a matter of choice, and sometimes, life is not like what they want and they accept that fate. People's fate is conducted by themselves; they can change their fate and make life become better thing as they wishes. The way to change their fate and hope their wish is called sacrifice for life. To see more about sacrifice, readers can read one of the novels *The Jungle*.

Upton Sinclair's novel *The Jungle*, was published in early 1906 and immediately makes an international splash. The novel was published on 28th February 1906; this shines a harsh light on the horrors of life in desperate poverty. *The Jungle* novel is a work of fiction that has dramatic long term effects on the day to day operations of a major industry. *The Jungle* 1906 written by Upton Sinclair is the case, which becomes the catalyst for creating new structures regulating health and safety in food production. *The Jungle* that

has about 464 pages is a creative design agency specializing in brand strategy, conscious messaging and intelligent design the agency applies its award winning brand communications and graphic design talents the advancements of eco friendly and sustainable business, social causes and arts and entertainment. For the past six years, *The Jungle* has maintained a top tier client list consisting of non profits entertainment and consumer brands including UCP (United Cerebral Palsy Foundation), Tocon Hall Los Angeles, Carsey, Warner Mandabac, CBS, 93.1 Jack FM and Korbel Champagne to name a few and it is the first successful Upton Sinclair's novel. *The Jungle* that shows the effects of economic hardship on an immigrant family in the early 1900 it is reliably accountable for. This story is a downright attract on capitalism that the author tries to conceal behind a fictional story of a sympathy deriving family of Lithuanian that exposes unfair labor practices and unsanitary condition in the meat-packing factories of Chicago, Illinois was, a huge success.

Angelina Rosillo uses Upton Sinclair's *The Jungle* for her body in order to help students to study the progressive era of the United States. She uses information from the book and what they know about their communication, student will develop an understanding of life during this time period. They will compare and contrast the lives of immigrant then and examine the persuasive power of the socialist party on women and immigrant on her book life in Ron Jacob on his comment from *The Jungle* to the cold war. "Although Sinclair primary intention graphically illustrate the excesses of monopoly capitalism in its expiration of the meat and associate lab cores, the

graphic descript of the unsanitary practices occurring daily in the slaughterhouse and packing plants spurred major reform in those areas of the meat industry instead”, Ron Jacob (Random, 2006). According to Arthur, Sinclair centrally found this to be the case in his run for United States senator as a democrat from California; it is campaign that he lids at times only to be defeated in the end thanks to large infusion of money from enemies Sinclair had gained over the years.

Upton Sinclair is the most important writer who searches out and real improves conducts in politics and business of the 1990. The writer who has only child of Upton Beel Sinclair and Bricilla Harden and was born on 20th September 1878 in Baltimore, Maryland, Mary Craig Kimboruhg husband and ever becomes Metta Flalers husband this has many literary works on the novel, such as *Springtime and Harves* (1901), its first novel and was a mode success, *Pilgrimage* (1911) treat his marriage and the birth of his child with and honesty that shocked some revivers, *Sylvia and Sylav* marriage a massive two part story, called for freedom from ignorance and misinformation, *King Coul* (1917) returned to labor protest and socialist comment, *Oil!* (1927) dealt with dishonesty in president Warren G Hardings administration (1865 – 1923), *Boston* (1928) a novel about the Sacco Vangeti Case, Italian Men, Believed by many to have been innocent, were convicted and executed for having commit a murder during a payroll robbery, *World End* (1940) Sinclair eleven volume novel series that attempted to give an insides view of the U.S. government between 1913 and 1949, *Dragons Teeth* (1942) is a study of the rise of Nazism,

a German democracy movement of the 1930 whose followers scorned democracy and favored the destruction of non German, especially Jewish people when the Pulitzer price. In 1917, Sinclair resigned from the socialist party following a split in ideology. This American writer was died on November 25 1968 in Bound Brook, New Jersey at age ninety. Sinclair had produce more than ninety books that earned and leas \$1 Million, most of it contribute to socialist and reform cause after the success of *The Jungle*, Sinclair become even more involved with the socialist movement, running for various offices in state and national elections when he moved to California with his second wife, Mary always beaten and often by a landslide.

The Jungle follows the fortunes of the rules family, Lithuanian immigrant living in Chicago. The Protagonist Jurgis Rudkus, works in the meat packing industry, and during the course of the novel the death of his wife on and his young son Antanas and a long series of injuries and humiliation of work. The book chine's a harsh light on the horror of life in desperate poverty. It revealed the filthy and dangerous working condition in the stock yards, slaughter house, and meat packing plant where profit motives gave rise to corner cutting corruption and shocking abusive of workers. The pure food and drug act lid to the establishment of the agency that later become the food and drug administration, it is thus major milestones in the increasing federal oversight of industry, labor and commerce in the United States.

Jurgis Rudkus in *The Jungle* novel seems like in habitant in *The Jungle* who the strongest, he is the winner. Because his sacrifice to hold out life in

hard world without people who is loved, they are his wife Ona and his son Antanas. Jurgis works to get much money in order to save his life from the poverty. He is only one from his family whose life, because Ona and Antanas was died. Jurgis cried when he meets his wife who has sick, incredible ill and finally she is died in Jurgis hugging. But Jurgis never gives up and still moving on because he wants to be a person who is need by everyone. Jurgis who is suffering used as a tool by the controller to get a power, who is never get unfair payment, becomes a Jurgis who is wished by everyone because of his effort to show to the world that he is a strong husband and a strong father.

From the explanation above, it can be seen a lot of philosophy applied. For example the major character as the main power of the story and he uses the power of psychology to emphasize the acts on each story. Jurgis emphasizes his sacrifice without his son and his wife. The sacrifice here means that someone who can do everything for someone else who is loved. Sacrifice is an interesting to be explored.

The Jungle, novel by Upton Sinclair is an interesting novel. There are five reasons why the writer chooses this novel.

The first reason, *The Jungle* is a simple novel. This novel uses a simple word so that the reader is easy to understand and there is no difficulty to know about the meaning of each word.

The second reason, *The Jungle* is a good novel. It means the conflict that appears in this novel which is faced by the characters does not make the reader bored. In this novel there are many feelings that must be felt, for

examples scare, anger, sacrifice, and worry. It means that the reader can understand further about the conflict in *The Jungle* novel.

The third reason is challenging. This novel is challenging because the writer finds there are several aspects and there are still many interesting characters in this novel that challenge to be explored. The characters in this novel is very strong, especially the protagonist.

The fourth reason is it is a true story. Upton Sinclair who writes this novel directly goes to the place that is in the novel so this novel is true story.

The fifth reason is Upton Sinclair is a famous writer. Upton Sinclair writes a lot of work and *The Jungle* is the first novel, also the famous novel, and *The Jungle* is a socialist novel.

Seeing the Jurgis Rudkus characteristic above, then there is the interesting part of analyzing Upton Sinclair's *The Jungle*. The researcher is interested to analyze the sacrifice of Lithuanian which will be elaborated in problem statement.

Based on the background above, the writer proposes to conduct a research entitle, "The Sacrifice for Life of Upton Sinclair's *The Jungle* Novel (1906): An Individual Psychological Approach".

B. Literature Review

The novel *The Jungle* by Upton Sinclair is an interesting novel as far as the writer concerns, the research on the novel *The Jungle* has been conducted

by two researchers from Sam Houston State University, U.S.A. and Random House of stateofnature.org, America.

The first researcher is Irfan Ahmed (2009) in his studies “Immigrant Consumer Experiences and Marketing Activities in the Early 20th Century: AS Reading of Upton Sinclair’s *The Jungle*”. This paper analyzes the prominent among narratives with the goal of identifying features of consumer behavior and market functioning in that era. A comparative analysis of these historical narrative and present day market realities reveals that while much has ostensibly changed in the past century, much has remained the same.

The next researcher is Ron Jacobs (2006) studies the causes of the novel in title “From *The Jungle* to the cold war: A Review of Radical Innocent: Upton Sinclair”. The study shows that the first characters of protagonist in *The Jungle*. Second, there are some elements of the rich and powerful in *The Jungle* novel. Third, the differences Upton Sinclair *The Jungle* and Anthony Arturs *The Jungle* a Marxist approach.

From the studies above, there are differences in the researchers. The first research focuses on the prominent and comparative analysis among narratives with the goal of identifying features of consumer behavior and market functioning in that era in *The Jungle* novel. While the second research focuses on the character of protagonist in *The Jungle* novel, the elements of the rich and powerful in *The Jungle* and Radical Innocent and the differences Upton Sinclair *The Jungle* and Anthony Arturs *The Jungle* a Marxist approach.

Based on the researches above, the writer has different focus on the research that analyzes the individual psychological of major character *The Jungle* in scarifying for life without somebody who is loved. From two analyses above the writer uses their analysis to develop her research “THE SACRIFICE FOR LIFE OF JURGIS LITHUANIAN IN UPTON SINCLAIR’S *THE JUNGLE* NOVEL (1906): AN INDIVIDUAL PSYCHOLOGICAL APPROACH”.

C. Problem Statement

Considering the phenomenon clarified above the researcher proposes the problem “How is Jurgis Lithuanian sacrifice for life in Upton Sinclair’s *The Jungle* novel being reflected?”.

D. Limitation of the Study

To carry out the study, the researcher needs to limit the study. The researcher is going to analyze the major character in movie *The Jungle* novel written by Upton Sinclair in 1906, based on an individual psychological approach.

E. Objective of the Study

Dealing with the problem statement above, the objectives of the study are as follow:

1. To analyze the novel in term of its structural elements
2. To analyze the novel based on the Individual Psychological Approach

F. Benefit of the Study

The study of the sacrifice for life of Upton Sinclair's *The Jungle*, has several benefits there are:

1. Theoretically, Theoretical Benefit
 - a. To give some information which can be used by the other researchers who are interested in analyzing this literary work.
 - b. To give a contribution to other literary research especially in the study of *The Jungle* novel.
2. Practical Benefit
 - a. To get deeper understanding about An Individual Psychological issues in *The Jungle* novel.
 - b. To enrich the literary study, particularly among the students especially on Muhammadiyah University of Surakarta.

G. Research Method

1. Type of The Research

This type of research is qualitative research in the form of literary work. Qualitative research does not need a statistic to explore the facts, so it does not include any calculation and enumeration.

2. Research Object

The object of the research is the novel of Upton Sinclair's *The Jungle* consisting of 464 pages published in Doubleday, Page and Company United States and published on 28th February 1906.

3. Types of Data and Data Source

In this research, the researcher takes two kinds of data:

a. Primary Data

The primary data of the research is Upton Sinclair's *The Jungle* novel.

b. Secondary Data

In this research the writer takes the secondary source from the difference of some books or internet, essay, comments, critic, research report, and research paper.

4. Method of The Data Collection

The method of collecting data in this research is library research.

The techniques are as follows:

- a. Reading the works several times until the writer gets an adequate information or data to be analyzed.
- b. Reading some other resource related to the novel.

- c. Giving marks to the particular which are considered important for the analyst.
- d. Taking note for important parts both primary and secondary source in data cards.
- e. Classifying the data into categories and developing them into good unity.

5. Technique of The Data Analysis

In this thesis the technique that is used to analyze the data is descriptive analysis in which the writer identifies the relationship between *The Jungle* novel and theory psychology in an individual psychological approach.

H. Research Paper Organization

The research consists of five chapters which are presented as follows: Chapter I is introduction of the research that includes the background of the study, literature review, problem statement, limitation of the study, objective of the study, theoretical approach, and research method, and paper organization. Chapter II presents the underlying theory consisting of Individual Psychological. Chapter III is the structural analysis of the novel by describing character and characterization, setting, plot, a point of view, style and theme of the novel and a brief discussion. Chapter IV is Individual Psychological

Analysis dealing with the problems in the novel. Chapter V contains conclusion and suggestion.