

ABSTRACT

JAMHARI SUHARTANTO, TJHIN: SELF-TRANSFORMATION EXPERIENCED BY JACK BURDEN, THE PROTAGONIST IN *ALL THE KING'S MEN*

This thesis attempts to show the achievement of one's self in *All The King's Men* through the analysis of the character of the protagonist, Jack Burden. This thesis reveals the socio-psychological processes that finally lead to the transformation of one's self into a new self.

Concerning self-transformation, this thesis tries to show the whole development of self in one's self. Self-transformation occurs through socialization and it is influenced by the surrounding society or people. How one finally changes and reacts against other people are also analyzed. The reactions toward other people are important factors of self-transformation in one's self. Therefore, this thesis tries to answer the problems like the characteristics of self-transformation described in *All The King's Men*, how self-transformation occurs to Jack Burden and Jack Burden's reaction of behaviour to other people.

This thesis is a desk research based on social and psychological approaches. Therefore, I have tried to obtain information from books on novel criticisms, sociology, psychology and social psychology.

Having completed this thesis, I have discovered a fact human development. I have discovered that human beings will change sooner or later. I have also discovered that society is an important part of the change in one's self. One, therefore, should adjust himself to the society's demand without ignoring one's own life.