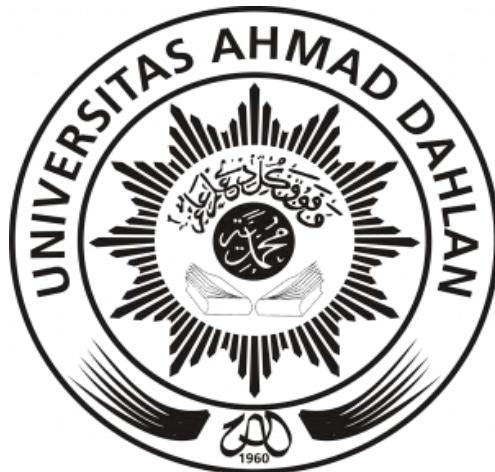


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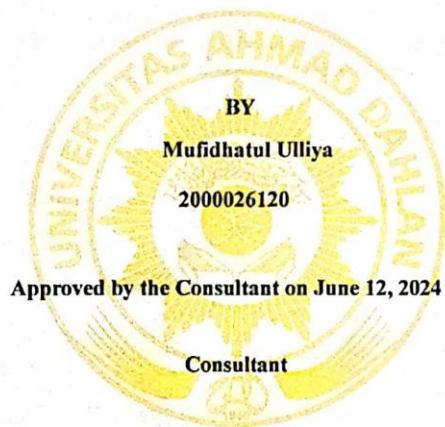
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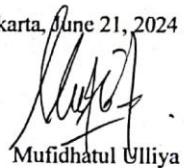
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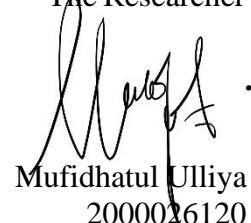
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ABSTRACT

The racial issue of the Osage tribe in America is represented in the book *Killers of the Flower Moon: The Osage Murders and the Birth of the FBI*. This book by David Grann raises the issue of racism and racial injustice faced by the Osage tribe in the 1920s. There are two problem formulations, the first problem is what types of racial issues that told in the book and second problem is how does Mollie, overcome her anxiety due to the racism she experienced. This research uses a qualitative analysis approach with a focus on narrative content, and dialog related to racism.

The researcher uses Bonilla Silva's critical race theory and Freud's psychological theory to assist this research. The primary data in this thesis is a book entitled *Killers of the Flower Moon: The Murder of the Osage Tribe and the Birth of the FBI* and supporting data in the form of articles, journals, books, and related internet sites. The analysis in the discussion of this research is to find out how racial issues experienced by the Osage tribe and their internal impact through dialog and narration in the book.

The analysis shows that the book depicts three forms of racism, including ethnic racism, ideology, and white privilege racism experienced by the Osage tribe. In addition, Mollie overcame her anxiety with projection, repression, and sublimation.

Keywords: Racial Issue, Racism, Osage Tribe, Self-Defense Mechanism

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INTISARI

Isu rasial suku Osage di Amerika diwakili dalam buku *Killers of the Flower Moon: The Osage Murders and the Birth of the FBI*. Buku karya David Grann ini mengangkat isu rasisme dan ketidakadilan rasial yang dihadapi oleh suku Osage pada tahun 1920-an. Terdapat dua rumusan masalah, masalah pertama adalah apa saja jenis-jenis isu rasial yang terjadi dalam buku tersebut. Masalah kedua adalah bagaimana cara Mollie, mengatasi kecemasannya akibat rasisme yang dialaminya. Penelitian ini menggunakan pendekatan analisis kualitatif dengan fokus pada konten narasi, dan dialog yang berkaitan dengan rasisme.

Peneliti menggunakan teori ras kritis Bonilla Silva dan teori psikologi Freud untuk membantu penelitian ini. Data primer dalam tesis ini adalah sebuah buku yang berjudul *Killers of the Flower Moon: The Osage Murders and the Birth of the FBI* dan data pendukung berupa artikel, jurnal, buku, dan situs internet terkait. Analisis dalam pembahasan penelitian ini adalah untuk mengetahui bagaimana isu rasial yang dialami oleh suku Osage dan dampak internalnya melalui dialog dan narasi dalam film.

Hasil analisis menunjukkan bahwa buku ini menggambarkan tiga bentuk rasisme, yaitu rasisme etnis, ideologi, dan rasisme hak istimewa kulit putih yang dialami oleh suku Osage. Selain itu, Mollie mengatasi kecemasannya dengan proyeksi, represi, dan sublimasi.

Kata Kunci: Isu Rasial, Rasisme, Suku Osage, Mekanisme Pertahanan Diri