ABSTRACT

This research entitled "Colonization in The Opening of American West in Undaunted Courage by Stephen E. Ambrose" is arranged using post-colonial point of view. Theories that being used was post-colonial from Trinh T. Minh Ha and Jenny Sharpe, as well supported by Adam Smith's economics theory and Edward Said culture theory. Besides that, the research was aimed to describe and analyze how the politics and economics aspects of the Indian tribes were affected and the emergence of the mimic man as a consequence of interaction between American and Indian tribes during Lewis and Clark expedition. All arguments were illustrated by using data from Stephen E. Ambrose's essay.

The method used in this research is descriptive analytic method. The data are collected through reading the essay closely then finding the colonization issues and classifying them. The data are analyzed by using the centre and the margin indicators.

Based on the findings and discussions, it reveals that colonization was not only executed physically but also through mental and paradigm. Colonization which affected politics and economics aspects thus could alter fundamental element of the existed culture. Therefore, the culture became hybrid and emerged a new identity. In addition, the expedition executed by Lewis-Clark and the Corps of Discovery is aimed to collect information concerning the track conditions they used, to study the indigenous inhabitants. Those collected information next would be used as a base to master the inhabitants.

Keywords: colonization, centre, margin, mimic man, hybrid