

Societal Afflictions and Economic Inequity: A Marxist Study of Fountain's *Billy Lynn's Long Halftime Walk*

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Abstract

*The world is full of people who are thirsty for others' blood. They lack soft corners and ethical morals. Under such circumstances, conflict erupts the societies that cause destruction and wreckage. Conflict resolution and the creation of global harmony is the basic need to resolve the issues. Additionally, freedom is the most precious gift given to people. However, some people do not realize this, they remain suffering from various hardships and spend their lives as slaves. This is the era of development and progress; we can see the escalated building and pillars of knowledge all around the world. However, some people are facing cruelties and life-threatening situations. Contrary to this, some people enslaved by force are bestowed with the courage and determination to be free. They sacrifice their most valuable belongings such as children for freedom. This study is the proximal approach explaining such types of devastations in the spotlight of the novel *Billy Lynn's Long Halftime Walk*. Keeping in view the Marxist theory, societal afflictions and economic inequity are analyzed and the results depict that being a soldier in an American force is the most damaging phenomenon. The soldiers are betrayed by being given special privileges, however, in return, they have to give up on their own freedom, and they are forced to shed the blood of others.*

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Introduction

Mankind is at a higher rank of supremacy due to being kind hearted, bestowed with love and feelings of affection for other living entities. They feel the pain of other people and try to lessen it (De Montellano and Bernard, 1983; Claessen et al., 2004; Ho, 2019). Similarly, they enjoy the happiness of others and participate to increase it many folds. However, sometimes, the reverse to this happens and man becomes the foe of others (Berman, 2016; Das, 2019; Hibbard, 2019). Consequently, they try to snatch the happiness of others; they want to become the owner of other people's belongings and for the fulfillment of their personal benefits, they cross all the limits of humanity. At that moment, they forget the difference between the human and the monster (Purnis et al., 2016; Brown, 2019; Roby, 2019; Rodríguez, Jesús, et al., 2019). Due to this dilemma, destruction happens in society and people try to save their lives, resources, respect, and even their loved ones from the bad temptation of other human beings.

Conflicts erupt when one's well-being is constrained by social injustice, economic despair, and political oppression. These causes

promote human aspirations to conflict, giving birth to unequal and illicit competition based on strong opposition to the will of common people among diverse ethnic groups (Thompson, 2016; Dominelli, 2017; Kanade, 2020). These social elements create conditions where the realization of human needs becomes absent and a sense of deprivation prevails (Merav Moshe, 2001). Relative deprivation ultimately leads to the violation of basic human rights. Once human rights violation starts, mutual co-existence eradicates.

Under such circumstances, wars begin and people start occupying the commodities of other nations and other people. The exact reflection was observed in the novel *Billy Lynn's Long Halftime Walk*, written by the well-known author Ben Fountain. *Billy Lynn's Long Halftime Walk* features are a unique way of describing the field of war and its aftermaths. It sets on the family anterior approximately for the year 2004 or around there, it happened when the Thanksgiving Day match was held at "the Dallas Cowboys' stadium".

Additionally, Karl Marlantes, who is a well-known Vietnam veteran as well as novelist, was honored to

dub the famous novel *Billy Lynn's Long Halftime Walk* in the name of "the Catch-22 of the Iraq war", he has enlightened that this book can be described as "the American approach of observing warfare". And it is tremendous, persuasive, vivid, as well as hilarious, and heartbreaking. It is not the exact copy of the *Catch-22*, nonetheless it reminiscences all kinds of virtuous possessions: the ecstatic Playboy cottontail's stadium scene in Catastrophe.

Eradication of conflicts and sustainability of peace in society is the most precious and proximal gift given to people (De Montellano and Bernard, 1983; Claessen et al., 2004; Piraji, 2013; Dattaray, 2014; Thiara, 2016; Hui, 2017; Jain, 2017; Rao, N. and Swaminathan, 2017; Christopher, 2018; Ho, 2019; Majhi, 2019; Varadarajulu, 2019). However, some people do not feel this reality, they remain suffering from various hardships and difficulties due to being compelled to spend their life as victims of a cruel system (Goffin, 1993; Parmar, 2013; Zimble et al., 2014; Chambers, C. and Gilmour, 2018; Amichand, 2019; Chandra Sekhar, 2019; Gill, 2019; Rao, 2019; Syamprasad, 2019; Thakur, 2019;

Shulman, 2020; Nukapangu, 2020). This is the era of development and progress; we can see the escalated building and pillars of knowledge all around the world. However, still, some people are facing cruelties and life-threatening situations (Agathocleous, T. and Neary, 2019; Cybil, 2019; Jayaram, 2019; Goyal, 2019; Kesalu, S.V., and Srinivasulu, 2019; Kumar, 2019; Mosse, 2019; Rawat, 2019; Satyanarayana, 2019; Yengde, 2019; Arya, 2020; Buat, 2020; Gopinath, 2020). They are away from their loved ones; they are away from the blessings of free life and thus, deeply indulged in the enlargement of conflicts and destruction of societies. Under such circumstances, uproot of the major reasons behind the rise of divergences is the proximal approach. Different approaches and models were developed by the researchers for resolving conflict and building peace (Bbaala, P. and Mate, 2016; Meir, D. and Fletcher, 2019). The most popular among these themes is the preservation of a single communal identity (Ibid). One basic and a common approach to conflict resolution is the transformation of struggle promoting conflict into a

positive force, supporting mutual co-existence. This transformation includes two basic channels of social change. Firstly, justice must guide the resolution process in every aspect, and secondly, justice must treat all ethnic, religious, and racial identities with one stick to ensure internal harmony and integration. In the novel, *Billy Lynn's Long Halftime Walk*, the author has beautifully explained the war sight and way of an American soldier as well as the common people who observe and experience the war and its aftermath.

An army bunch named the "bravo squad" are declared as the heroes. They are a major part of the war that is ongoing in the suburbs of Iraq. Moreover, the "Bravo squad" also shredded the assemblage of revolutionaries known as the "beebies" or "hajjis" in the army's punitive vernacular tone. For doing this, that concerned bunch of the army had been honored with medals coupled with being sent home on a two-week advertising expedition. Therefore, keeping in view the aforementioned circumstances, the present research article has been proposed to enlighten the societal Afflictions along with the economic analysis inequity in the limelight of Marxist theory having the

detailed analysis of *Billy Lynn's Long Halftime Walk*.

Literature Review

Considerable research has been done on the subject, such as by Thania and Christoph (2006), Cuhadar (2004), Collier et al. (2003), Muhammad (2001), Estree et al. (2001), David et al. (2001), Marav (2001), Daniel (2000) and certain others but still, there is a vacuum in the body of literature regarding societal afflictions, inter-racial harmony, the associated concepts and themes to be developed and highlighted. Very less literature is available for explaining the most important phenomenon of society that how people are exploiting each other by adopting various prohibited acts. This research is undertaken to explore certain hidden concepts of societal afflictions along with the economic analysis of inequity in the limelight of Marxist theory having the detailed analysis of *Billy Lynn's Long Halftime Walk*.

Throughout the history of the world, many writers with their philosophy of life and their artistic languages have defined the nature of human beings with the help of different genres of fields. The

devastating circumstances of society such as wars, terrorism, unjust and unbearable behavior of society as well as the poor and miserable condition of the affected people is the most alarming trend. In every class, people face many socioeconomic and political problems which have a great influence on them. Malkawi (2019) is of the view that Civil Wars and other such types of phenomena have a devastating impact on the lives of the common people.

Similarly, McAteer (2020) performed a detailed study to evaluate the impact of life shattering incidents on the social behavior of the common people and he found that it is not related to one person or one family. The impact of injustice, cruelty, and oppression changes the whole community, and their life passes through the most horrible states of life. They become jobless, and poverty and hunger snatch their dignity, name, and even sense of responsibility. They experience darkness and disappointment in every corner of their life. They lose their loved ones and this pain changes them from common people into despondent and even sometimes criminals. Therefore, it is the utmost

need of the hour to do something for sustainability as well as the harmony of societies throughout the world.

Mellifont (2017) is of the view that love is the most important attribute of every society as well as the basic parameter of success of every man. In his article, the author explains the example of love between Uma and Wiltshire. He says that many devil-natured persons tried to separate them by deteriorating their social as well as personal life. Case, the villain of the story pressurizes the whole community to discontinue their dealings with Wiltshire. Consequently, tried to destroy his family. However, the unconditional love of Wiltshire for Uma did not let them stop their journey in life. They remained certain that after passing this short duration of hardships there will come a time of peace and happiness and everything will become fine again. Therefore, they defeated the hate and won the pleasures of life. Gay (2017) is of the view that friends are an important attribute of social life. However, good company grooms a generation of morally good and successful people. Contrary to this, not only bad company and evil spirit people destroy them, but also the

company and friends that they have. A similar phenomenon was observed in the story *The Ebb Tide*, three losers of life became friends. However, their evil spirit never let them become successful, rather they always tried to find out the shortcuts to accomplish success and progress. Once they were assigned to bring one ship to the destined position, they plotted to steal the material and brought the ship to the fake destination and found nothing. Therefore, the author says that it is necessary to become successful and happy in one's life, one should bring positive and good actions in their life.

The same sort of exclusion is highlighted by Kalyana Rao in his novel *Untouchable Spring*. This novel presents the life history of a family which is integrated with the socio-cultural history of the Telugu Dalit Community (Sailaja, 1986; Selvam, 1988; Somanatha et al., 1990; Srinivas, 1992; Kēśavareḍḍi, 1998; Karamsi, 2010; Berman, 2016; Saranya, 2016; Chambers, C. and Gilmour, 2018; Das, 2019; Hibbard, 2019; Sunder, 2019).

Through the mode of oral storytelling, the author narrates the saga of generations of Dalit lives and the art forms that play a major role in

their lives. The story begins in a small village called "Yennala Dinni" and the narrator is Ruth who is recollecting her husband Ruben's tales of his forefathers and their struggle for equality and dignity (De Montellano and Bernard, 1983; Claessen et al., 2004; Piraji, 2013; Dattaray, 2014; Thiara, 2016; Hui, 2017; Jain, 2017; Rao, N. and Swaminathan, 2017; Christopher, 2018; Ho, 2019; Majhi, 2019; Varadarajulu, 2019). Five generations of Dalits form the context of this novel, starting from Yellanna, his grandfather and later followed by his father Sivaiah, his son Immanuel, and his grandson Jessie. Being born a Dalit, all of them without exception, face severe oppression (Dayam, 2009; Purnis et al., 2016; Ellis-Petersen, H. and Flood, 2017; Jones, 2018; Sankaran, C. and Nkengasong, 2018; Brown, 2019; Roby, 2019; Rodríguez, Jesús et al., 2019). Time and context might have changed many things but the plight of Dalit community remains the same, and still, they have to fight for the self-identity and self-respect in the highly oppressive social system (Agathocleous, T. and Neary, 2019; Cybil, 2019; Jayaram, 2019; Goyal, 2019; Kesalu, S.V. and Srinivasulu,

2019; Kumar, 2019; Mosse, 2019; Rawat, 2019; Satyanarayana, 2019; Yengde, 2019; Arya, 2020; Buat, 2020; Gopinath, 2020). The fight was taken to the rest of the people of the Dalit community by means of traditional dance forms, songs and plays, which are imbued with the reality of their everyday experiences to which the mainstream arts keep a blind eye (Agathocleous, T. and Neary, 2019; Cybil, 2019; Jayaram, 2019; Goyal, 2019; Kesalu, S.V. and Srinivasulu, 2019; Kumar, 2019; Mosse, 2019; Rawat, 2019; Satyanarayana, 2019; Yengde, 2019; Arya, 2020; Buat, 2020; Gopinath, 2020). Kalyan Rao's *Untouchable Spring* is the story of those arts which try to bring out the pain in the hearts of Dalits, who are deprived of human rights and dignity in society (Sailaja, 1986; Selvam, 1988; Somanatha et al., 1990; Srinivas, 1992; Kēśavareḍḍi, 1998; Karamsi, 2010; Berman, 2016; Saranya, 2016; Chambers, C. and Gilmour, 2018; Das, 2019; Hibbard, 2019; Sunder, 2019). The narrative technique which the author uses in this work is interesting: Reuban has narrated the story to Ruth and after his death, she recollects that story and narrates it to

the readers (De Montellano and Bernard, 1983; Claessen et al., 2004; Piraji, 2013; Dattaray, 2014; Thiara, 2016; Hui, 2017; Jain, 2017; Rao, N. and Swaminathan, 2017; Christopher, 2018; Ho, 2019; Majhi, 2019; Varadarajulu, 2019).

In addition to the aforementioned facts, it has been observed that the eradication of oppression of low-class castes, the sustainability of peace in society is the most precious and proximal gift given to people (De Montellano and Bernard, 1983; Claessen et al., 2004; Piraji, 2013; Dattaray, 2014; Thiara, 2016; Hui, 2017; Jain, 2017; Rao, N. and Swaminathan, 2017; Christopher, 2018; Ho, 2019; Majhi, 2019; Varadarajulu, 2019). However, some people do not feel this reality, they remain suffering from various hardships and difficulties due to being compelled to spend the life as being victims of a cruel system (Goffin, 1993; Parmar, 2013; Zimble et al., 2014; Chambers, C. and Gilmour, 2018; Amichand, 2019; Chandra Sekhar, 2019; Gill, 2019; Rao, 2019 a,b; Syamprasad, 2019; Thakur, 2019; Shulman, 2020; Nukapangu, 2020).

In the chronicle of *The Blind Man's Garden*, the narrator

characterizes the American family person named “Jeo” as the leading role of the story along with his adopted brother named “Mikal” (Robinson, 2019; Osment, 2019). Jeo was a man of principles as well as an above suspicious character; however, after the incident of 9/11, he decides to move to Pakistan along with his family. However, instead of going to Pakistan, they changed their decision and went to Afghanistan to help the wretched people (Alliata, 2006; Wall and Sarah, 2017). Later on, he becomes prey to the Al Qaida army that forcefully includes him in his people (Dryden, 2011; Treagus, 2014). “Naheed” was the wife of the “Jeo”, however, she and the adopted brother of the “Jeo” named “Mikal” used to love each other (Stevenson, 2005; Macleod and David, 2014). Here, the story depicts the sad factor of a society that never accepts the loving couple but rather creates hurdles for them to unite (Jackson, 2000; Harris, 2003; Ferrini, 2012). Furthermore, the story becomes sorrowful when “Jeo” is killed in America’s reaction to destroy Al Qaida (Nakai, 2000; Jolly, 2004; Olesha, 2019).

Similarly, the story also enlightens the devastating

phenomenon of society that can be explained well by using the theory of “Bereavement” by covering the death of “Jeo” (Kindler, 2005; Jolly, 2006). The concerned story comprises sadness and mourning throughout the novel, along with the death of “Jeo”, his father also loses his eyes due to another attack of America (Tulloch, 2003; Davidson, 2004; MacLaren, 2006). The father of “Joe” named as “Rohan” is the person to whom the whole story is dedicated as the blind man. He suffers the heart wrenching sorrows such as the death of his wife, and his son, coupled with deprivation from the blessing of eyes for himself. He remained to mourn over the unexpected losses (Derry, 1996; Beattie, 1998; Clayton, 2009; Steenkamp, 2019). The only positive part of the novel is the reunion of “Naheed” and “Mikal” after the death of “Jeo”. Moreover, they embellish their lives with the colors of a son (Binding, 1974; Holmes, 2001; Savage, 2012). Therefore, the story is a clear depiction of our selected theory for the data analysis (Davidson, 2004; Di Frances, 2012; Alexander, 2017).

Malkawi (2019) is of the view that civil wars and other types of violent occurrences have a

devastating impact on the lives of the common people. Similarly, he used the reference to the novel *Juno and the Paycock* for the explanation of his words by saying that due to the incident of the Civil War, the only son of Juno lost his arm and became a disabled person for the rest of his life and after that, he was murdered for the crime he has not done. Therefore, she although remained tired and continued mourning; however, with the passage of time, she becomes a strong and courageous lady who sees no difference with further pains and hardships coming to her life. Furthermore, the author is of the view that people must take care of humanity and there must be peace and harmony all around the world. Otherwise, he further states that the political leaders and higher authorities even could not feel the dilemma and pain through which the affected families pass.

My interest in this research has been developed due to the reason that I have seen people living in such type of area and thus, with background knowledge of this area, quite often observe people suffering from unrest due to racial disputes. This state of unrest has been affecting

me psychologically; therefore, I am keen to conduct rigorous research in this area for policy implications and fulfillment of academic requirements in the light of societal afflictions along with the economic analysis inequity in the limelight of Marxist theory having the detailed analysis of *Billy Lynn's Long Halftime Walk*. This research is helpful for national and international educational institutions and other organizations as well as researchers who want to conduct further research in this area. There are proper lessons for policy implications regarding America, Iraq, and other regional and international countries.

Research Objectives

The current research has the following objectives:

1. To determine the societal afflictions in the limelight of *Billy Lynn's Long Halftime Walk*.
2. To perform the economic analysis of inequity in the frame of *Billy Lynn's Long Halftime Walk*.
3. To apply the Marxist theory for better insight into societal afflictions along with the economic analysis of inequity in

the context of *Billy Lynn's Long Halftime Walk*.

Research Questions

1. What are the societal afflictions in the limelight of *Billy Lynn's Long Halftime Walk*?
2. How to perform the economic analysis of inequity in the frame of *Billy Lynn's Long Halftime Walk*?
3. What is the result of the application of the Marxist theory for societal afflictions along with the economic analysis of inequity under the light of *Billy Lynn's Long Halftime Walk*?

Significance of the Study

Until now innumerable research has been done to highlight the various aspects of societal destruction in all over the world, however, no one has put the spotlight to highlight the societal afflictions along with the economic analysis of inequity. *Billy Lynn's Long Halftime Walk* is a well-known novel that has won various awards and titles. This novel beautifully describes the societal afflictions, impact of wars and the difference between the various countries for observing the war and its aftermaths. The current research task carries its own

importance as the philosophy of Marxism has been used for societal afflictions along with the economic analysis inequity under the light of *Billy Lynn's Long Halftime Walk*. Current research is helpful for the readers to provide a clear depiction of societal afflictions along with economic analysis inequity. Moreover, this study will also act as a courageous model for a poor nation, namely Iraq, to raise their voice against the cruelty and unjust behavior of powerful nation such as America. The research is fruitful for researchers who conduct their research works in the relevant domain. Moreover, my research work is significant because it has examined all the major issues regarding identity. The result of this examination has helped to understand all the cause of identity crisis with respect to in group and out group. The present study has also proved the crucial events that take place in the novel from identity point of view. It may further provide the conflicts like;

- us v/s them.
- effects of psychology on social status and its construction.
- self-categorization and self-identification.

- large-scale social categories such as gender, religion, and ethnicity.

Research Methodology

Framework

Our research area is related to the qualitative framework as it comprised of the study of human nature and life attributes. Therefore, following the Strauss and Corbin, (1998) definition for qualitative analysis we have used it for explaining our words and phrases that are used in the selected novels. Additionally, Marxist approach is used to explain the data analysis as this approach is highly supportive for explaining and interpretation of the societal afflictions along with economic analysis inequity in the living societies. Marxist theory can be defined as the theory “that understands society as fundamentally determined by the material conditions at any given time”. Furthermore, to explain the economic analysis inequity Marxist theory can be explained as “the profit margins are actually largely located in labour, thus labour has economic value”. Here the capital is directly linked to the capitalist while the labour means the common man of the society. Thus,

Marxist theory is exactly the meaning of “that society's classes are the cause of struggle and that society should have no classes”.

Data Collection

Data collection is comprised of 2 sources named as primary data source along with secondary data source. Our primary source is: *Billy Lynn's Long Halftime Walk* by Ben Fountain.

Similarly, the later mentioned source is encompassing of all the papers and research articles that play a supportive role for explaining our theme of research including the background of above-mentioned novel. Furthermore, various libraries work and notes were also included to ease and enlighten our research after reading the publications and novel time and again.

Model of Analysis

As our research comprises novel *Billy Lynn's Long Halftime Walk* that is written in context form, following the descriptive data analysis technique of Hakim, (2004), descriptive analysis was applied to enlighten various characters and actual thinking of writer for devising such type of stories. Additionally, “Marxist” is a philosophical theory; it

contains different aspects such as awareness of socio-economic, political and basic rights of human beings in androcentric society. This theory explains the fact that it is not compulsory that animals may eat the flesh and blood of other animals and then it would be called destruction rather sometimes unethical social and moral behaviour of human beings with other mankind also pushes society towards destruction and deterioration. Dishonesty, cheating, theft, dishonour, devious and hurting other's feelings are the major attributes that brings the societies at the verge of destruction and deterioration. The above-mentioned novel is selected to enlighten such type of behaviour keeping in view the theory of Marxist.

Results and Discussion

With the application of Marxist theory and the use of qualitative analysis technique, our research data can be analyzed as follows:

The family members have made it through some tough times together, particularly post-stroke, when they learned about Ray's alleged teenaged

daughter (from a mistress who sued for acknowledgement and child support) and countless extramarital affairs. But the thing they're most ashamed of is the fact that everyone is secretly psyched that Ray—"the famous silver tongue"—is now unable to speak. Shhh....You hear that? No? Exactly. Ahhhh. Denise, Billy's mom, is especially relieved. She's the stereotypical long-suffering wife who finally gets to live a little and couldn't really care less about her disabled..., he's still secretly wishing for his dad's approval. Ray's mistress keeps calling the house, and the kids are all mad at their mom for taking her calls and talking to her. But Denise doesn't want to be rude. Billy finds masturbating in his old room cathartic and soothing, so he does it. A lot! There's a lot of pressure for the one full day Billy has home to be

super special. Denise has cooked enough food for an army, and no one wants to discuss anything unpleasant. Billy goes outside to play with his nephew and is surprised to find he is enjoying himself thoroughly. Of course, ...and Billy is kind of surprised that this is exactly what he wants to do. Various neighbours stop by with casseroles and over-eager gratitude. Why are neighbours always making casseroles?

The aforementioned text citation is taken from the novel *Billy Lynn's Long Halftime Walk*. The author beautifully explains the destruction of war that happens after the fire-fight in various suburbs of whole world. The author states the devastating condition of the country as well as the people who become the prey to such type of cold war. In addition, the author explains with sorrow the condition of the "hero's squad" who were forcefully making the cruel attitude towards the common people of the Iraq. Therefore, he says that freedom is the

most precious and proximal gift given to people. However, some people do not feel this reality, they remain suffering from various hardships and difficulties due to being compelled to spend the life as being slaves. This is the era of development and progress; we can see the escalated building and pillars of knowledge all around the world. However, still some people are facing the cruelties and life threatens situations. Thus, even today there are common cases of terrorism, war and oppressions executed by one society onto another which is the most unfortunate reality of the present era.

Kathryn steals the phone away from her sister, but she has more serious matters to discuss. She's contacted a group in Austin that helps soldiers who want to go AWOL. They're a bunch of lawyers —with resources— who have been looking for a high-profile guy like Billy to come to them to help make a statement about the war and the unfairness of the whole stop-loss stuff. Kathryn's got the whole thing planned out: the Austin people could pick Billy up at the stadium, and

he'd disappear on some guy's ranch for a few weeks until they got all the legal stuff hashed out. Billy doesn't want to even hear Kathryn's plan. His duty is to go back to Iraq with his brothers in Bravo. He doesn't even want the temptation of the idea that he could get out of re-deploying. Kathryn is angry that Billy won't go along with what she's set up. She feels guilty because she thinks Billy got into all of this because of her. Kathryn's already given the Austin people Billy's number. She makes him promise to just hear them out when they call.

The above-mentioned text citation is masterpiece of that has been taken from the novel *Billy Lynn's Long Halttime Walk*. This is the best example of how war effects the soldiers as well as the other family members of the soldier. The above explained text citation is perfect example of love and thus, explains the pain of being away from the loved ones. Furthermore, it is clear that there is supernatural power in the love. The author explains that to being away from our loved ones is the most dynamic dilemma that has

the ability to destroy the whole community, however, the strength of love is above all. The author explains well that when you are embellished with the power of love, you will see the light in every dark situation. However, the above explained context enlightens the true spirit of love. He beautifully describes that love is the more profound power; it has the ability to cope every type of hardship and to fight with the whole world for the sake of happiness and peace of our loved ones. Contrary to this, if someone says that she/he love to someone, however, at the moment does not have the ability to protect it, then the author says that is not the love rather time spending situation. Moreover, the above given context is perfect depiction about the soldier's condition in US. It is clear that after the war the common people of Iraq are still standing at the verge of being victim of cruelty, injustice, malice, forced marriages, sexual violence and hatred. The law enforcement agencies themselves become part of exploiting human's rights, co-modifying them and reinforcing the stereotype in this patriarchal society. When discussing the fate of poor or low economic status community it matters less whether they are the people of the

East or West. Cultures change, places change, traditions and values change, but the thing that never changes is the behaviour of community towards them. However, people of low economic status are going to become either abandoned or more determined, it depends upon the inner courage of such type of community. For instance, people of low economic status become helpless and start feeling them as the caged birds that can never flew independently. On the other hand, some people refuse to become the part of darkness and decide to become spark in nightfall; however, they pass through various hardships.

Billy wishes Crack would just smack the fool and be done with it, but his fellow Bravo merely stares the guy down. Perhaps one melee is enough for this Thanksgiving Day. Billy checks his cell. Nothing from Faison. Yet. He indulges in another episode of the ranch fantasy, but now while he and Faison are having sex ten times a day he's also thinking about Bravo back at FOB Viper, getting slammed every time they go outside the

wire. So, he puts that inside the fantasy, how much he'd miss his fellow Bravos, he would mourn them even as they live and breathe. They are his boys, his brothers. Bravos would die for one another. They are the truest friends he will ever have, and he'd expire from grief and guilt at not being there with them.

The above-mentioned text citation is the best example of the societal afflictions in the light of novel *Billy Lynn's Long Halftime Walk*. This novel has the revolutionary power in the history of English Literature and accomplished unforgettable fame during every rivalry contest. This study declares the most devastating phenomenon of the United States (US) in such a beautiful way that even the opponents raised their hands in appreciation. Freedom is a blessing for every living entity and its worth can be only realized by those who are compelled to spend their day and night under the strict commands of their masters. Their life is more horrifying than death itself. They became answerable to their masters for even breathing if

they try to do so by their own will. Therefore, realizing the pissing off condition of those slaves and their miserable life incidents, the concerned novel is full of emotions as well as their struggle to get rid of such type of awful conditions. Slaves lose their lives in attempts to get free life and become source of fear for those who want to become free. Even then, brave people, although slave by birth, dominate their courage over the trepidation. They decide that freedom is the ultimate solution to remain alive peacefully.

How many dozens of times has Bravo watched Crack's Conan DVDs, many dozens, they know every line by heart, and out of all the streaming and veering of his over-amped brain Billy flashes on the palace orgy scene, James Earl Jones as the snake king sitting on his throne while his stoned minions sprawl about the floor, slurping and licking and humping in glassy-eyed bliss. It makes him feel creepy, the overlay of that sludgy sex scene on what he sees before him now, the

complete and utter weirdness of the halftime show and the fact that everybody seems okay with it. The stands are packed, the fans are on their feet and everyone is cheering, everything makes them happy today.

The aforementioned text citation is another good example of the societal afflictions as well as economic analysis inequity in the light of novel *Billy Lynn's Long Halftime Walk*. The author has explained the features of the Bravo Squad that as they remain engaged in the fire-fight in the Iraq, they are awarded with various privileges in the America. They were being differentiated from the other people being at higher status of army. After the war ended, they were being awarded with various powers and special vacations. All the other people used to admire and cheer with the success of these soldiers. However, the author says that reality is opposite to it as well. Moreover, the above explained text citation is also the clear indication that in US, it has become the right of army soldiers to feel themselves the superior one. They consider that only they are the

creature with right to live and lead while the other community is destined to serve them. They consider the common people as well as the people of Iraq their slaves the generation after generation. They provide them with unbearable pain, cruelty in every possible way. In addition, if someone tries to raise their voice against this unjust behaviour and awful attitude, they did not stop themselves from killing those innocent lives.

Conclusion

Our research concludes that it is not necessary to kill someone by snatching their life and physical attributes. Sometimes, to cheat and deceive others dismantles a happy and peaceful community. In our both novels the narrator explains the social behaviour of common people. In the first story, Case deceives the other person who trusts him a lot and tries his best to destroy him completely, however, the love and courage of the second one saves him from every calamity and blesses him with success. Similarly, in the other story, three friends were the losers of life, try to cross the limits of worst doings, however, in the end, the good nature and kind behaviour of an unknown change them a lot that they become

source of love and sacrifice rather than devils for others.

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