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Critical Discourse Analysis of the News Subject-Related to Beatings: A Case of Lampost.co Webpage

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Abstract: This paper will present how the author critically analyzes the cases of beatings that occurred in Lampung province which were published by official and trusted news websites, namely Lampost.co owned by the Lampung post media. The author chooses news from this media because it has been registered with the press council which oversees the official press media in Indonesia, so that the validity and accountability of the news published is very reliable, in contrast to news published on private websites or blogspots managed by individuals., it could be that the news written for the purpose of Jah is for the benefit of the individual himself or only certain groups. The author here is discourse analysis on the news. The method used by the author is descriptive qualitative, namely the presentation of the results of the analysis in this article is based on the data contained in the news. The data found is in the form of structure, superstructure, microstructure, then the existing macrostructure. on the news of the beating. The author also conducts critical discourse analysis textually, namely related to the news explaining what, how the description, interpretation and explanation of the news is about. The data source is the beating news on the Lampost.co page. The result is that elements of the setting are found in the news, namely Labuhan Maringgai. The setting is the backdrop for the beatings of victims as well as the arrest of perpetrators. Journalists use a deductive pattern to present news content, beginning with public opinion, followed by supporting sentences.

Keywords: discourse analysis, news of beatings, lamppost

INTRODUCTION

This article focuses on the online newspaper of a media/press. The writer's activity of carrying out discourse analysis is something that can be done to better understand the content of the news published. Critical discourse analysis activities can make us know various things that ordinary people may not know (Azmi, 2021).

Mass media always shares the latest news. Every day these media carry out journalistic activities, from reporting, writing, editing to publishing the latest news (Puspitasari, 2021).

One of the media in Lampung that has been registered with the press council and is trusted is Lampungpost. This news about the beatings is important to analyze because this issue is one of the cases of taking away human rights to be free from violence, including beatings, so that they can live in peace, comfort and safety. If this news is published, people will think dozens of times about committing crimes related to human rights to live safely, whether it is physical violence in the form of abuse or other cases. One life means a lot.

This problem needs to be studied in more depth so that students can better understand the content of the news if analyzed using critical discourse analysis, moreover there are still many cases of ordinary people who do not understand and understand the news well because they only read the news headlines and see the pictures. So this research

Amalia Sabilla Mukhtar Email: <u>iim44823@gmail.com</u> Received: 16 September 2023 Accepted: 28 October 2023 Published: 03 November 2023 is very important to open readers' insight regarding discourse analysis in news texts. This news is about cases of beatings that often occur, especially in Lampung Province.

METHOD

The methods contained in a research are things that are done to solve existing problems. The research method in this article is descriptive qualitative, which means that data is obtained using detailed analysis to obtain valid data (Simarmata, 2014).

This article was analyzed from a news website about the beatings, then the author analyzed the structure of the news. Superstructure, micro structure of the news, then existing macro structure. The author also carries out textual critical discourse analysis. Starting from the news explaining what it is about, how to describe, interpret and explain the news.

RESULT AND DISCUSSION

Description of the Subject of Analysis

The subject analyzed in this discourse analysis is news from the Lampung Post news website, namely lampost.co, with the news content entitled "Two Perpetrators of the Attack in Labuhan Maringgai Surrender Themselves". This news was written on March 2 2023 by journalist Arman Suhada. The news information started with information that a man named Surna (53 years old) in Labuhan Maringgai District, East Lampung Regency was the victim of a beating by two men until he became unconscious. There were two perpetrators in this case from Labuhan Maringgai, namely WD and PI who were 28 and 29 years old respectively. This case is very sad, especially as the local police chief explained that the beating case started when two of the perpetrators suddenly came to Surna's shop as victims carrying wooden blocks. Feeling disturbed, the victim finally came out and they argued. The victim, who was much older than the perpetrator, was immediately beaten with a wooden block. As a result, Surna was unconscious with several wounds on his body.

In the end, the victim reported the case, but the perpetrator surrendered first. The explanation above is what triggered the author to analyze this problem, because this beating was carried out suddenly, deliberately and used weapons to hit the victim. Even though the perpetrator and victim had problems before the beating occurred, violence should not be used, especially physical violence. All problems can be resolved with a cool head so as not to harm both parties and so that the best solution can be found. No human being has the right to take away anyone's human rights because these are inherent in him for life.

In the news, journalists include interviews that strengthen the news. The interview was taken from the source, Kompol Yusfin, the police officer on duty at the scene. The chronology of the beating incident is told from the perspective of the source, Kompol Yusfin, through direct quotes written by journalists, so this news is very valid and reliable. The journalist did not edit the source's information in the direct quote at all.

At the end of the news, the journalist explained the chronology of the perpetrator's arrest on March 1 2023 at 10.00 WIB through surrender by the perpetrator himself. Journalists also added related articles that could ensure perpetrators as a result of their actions. Even hate speech or verbal violence can be charged if the victim feels aggrieved, especially if it involves physical violence that causes injury or even renders the victim unconscious.

News Structure Analysis

News structure analysis is carried out based on two types of structure, namely superstructure which includes the general scheme and structure of the news, microstructure which includes 1) background; 2) word use; 3) news expressions, and macro structures that include themes.

Superstructure

The news report begins with a news title that informs about the incident reported (the beating) by Arman Suhada on March 2 2023. This case occurred 1 month ago. In the headline, the journalist wrote the location of the incident as support. The keywords used in the news are beatings and Labuhan Maringgai. This case can certainly add to the data on cases of violence in Lampung.

Microstructure

Elements of the setting are found in the news, namely Labuhan Maringgai. This setting became the backdrop for the beating of the victim and the arrest of the perpetrator. Journalists use a deductive pattern to explain the content of the news, starting with general opinion followed by supporting sentences. In this news, each sentence is made into one paragraph so that general sentences and explanatory sentences cannot be identified directly.

Macro Structure

The theme raised in the news is the theme of violence with the headline of a beating, namely a beating carried out by two perpetrators and a 53 year old man. Of course this news will sound more cruel because the victim was alone and elderly, while the perpetrator was still young. The perpetrator hit the victim with a wooden block that they had been carrying when they approached the victim's shop.

Textual Critical Discourse Analysis

Discourse is viewed textually, including news which is a written report of a recent event. The analysis was carried out using a social change approach that connects discourse with social change in the environment. The three stages in analysis to produce conclusions are description, interpretation, and explanation.

News	The perpetrator of the attack in Labuhan Maringgai has
	surrendered to the police.
	This news really attracted the attention of the people of Lampung,
	especially the people who lived at the location of the incident
	because if you look at the proximity of the news, it is certainly very
	close to the community. News of this beating is very important to
	report in a human interest way. This news was also published by
	Lampungpost which is one of the media that has been registered
	with the press council, a major media in Lampung so that the
	validity and conformity of the news with facts on the ground can be
	fully accounted for.
Description	In the news, the information conveyed was that the perpetrator of
	the beating that occurred in Labuhan Maringgai had been arrested
	by the police through the perpetrator's surrender. The surrender was

	carried out at the Labuhan Maringgai Police Station. This surrender
	can be motivated by feelings of guilt within the perpetrator or it can
	also be motivated by feelings of anxiety and fear because they have
	ganged up on the victim.
	WD and PI, who were 28 and 29 years old respectively, were the
	perpetrators of the beating, quite far apart in age from the victim,
	Surna (53 years old).
Interpretation	The reporting highlights the point of view of the perpetrator of the
	beating and the location of the incident. This is because the
	perpetrator and victim are not important figures, so journalists
	choose to emphasize elements of the background of the incident. If
	the perpetrator or victim is an important figure then this report will
	be more detailed and in-depth.
Explanation	This news was conveyed to the public regarding events that actually
	occurred in Labuhan Maringgai. The content of the news consists
	of facts about events that are not made up. This is supported by
	police statements which explain the facts of the beating and the
	surrender of the perpetrator. It is impossible for the news that has
	been published on lampost.co to be fake news or not trustworthy,
	unless the news is published by a blogspot or web blog belonging
	to a certain individual or group so it is very possible that the aim is
	for the benefit of a certain individual or group.

CONCLUSION

The theme raised in the news is the theme of violence with the headline being a beating. The subject analyzed in this discourse analysis is news from the Lampung Post news website, namely lampost.co, with the news content entitled "Two Perpetrators of the Attack in Labuhan Maringgai Surrender Themselves". News reporting begins with a news title that informs about the event being reported (the beating). Elements of the setting are found in the news, namely Labuhan Maringgai. This setting became the backdrop for the beating of the victim and the arrest of the perpetrator. Journalists use a deductive pattern to explain the content of the news, starting with general opinion followed by supporting sentences. Journalists chose to emphasize elements of the background of the incident and highlight the point of view of the perpetrator of the beating because the perpetrator and victim were not important figures. This incident is an existing fact, moreover it is supported by police statements which explain the facts of the beating and the surrender of the perpetrator of the incident.

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