

Appendix

A. The Author's Biography

Teodore Jozef Konrad Korzeniowski was born on December **3,1857** in the Ukraine of Polish where the patriots who suffered in exile for their interest in attempts to free Poland. His father, Apollo Korzeniowski, was a talented poet and translator of French and English literature. His father was arrested for revolutionary plots against the Russians and exiled to Vologda in northern Russia. Conrad and his mother went with him. The hardship of the prison life caused his parents to die a few **years** later.

His uncle, Thaddeus Bobrowski in Karkow, Poland, then took care of Conrad in **1869**. He was lonely **and** unhappy. Therefore, he read some books especially the adventure stories of Frederick Marryat and the novels of Charles Dickens. He was inspired **by** Victor Hugo's **book, les Travailleun de la mer**, to long for the sea.

When Conrad was **16** years old, he made his first trip abroad with his tutor and later he decided to make the sea his career. He began his career as a seaman in Marseille and became an apprentice in the French merchant marine. He sailed to places as far **as** Venezuela and the West Indies. But, in **1878**, his new identity **as** a French sailor suffered a serious setback: French immigration authorities prohibited him from continuing to sail on French ships.

He left Marseille and went to England for the first time. Although he knew little English, he decided to make his career at sea **in** a ship, the English merchant service. He then was promoted to the rank of first mate. In **1886**, he became the master of his own ship and became a British subject and changed his name to Joseph Conrad. He voyaged to many quarter of the Earth including Australia, the Indian Ocean, Borneo, The Malay Archipelago, South America and the South Pasific Island. He served mostly in those eastern waters, which formed the background of his early works.

In **1887**, his ship met Jim Lingard, who later became the model **of** Lord Jim. In Bangkok, he also met Schombug, a hotelkeeper, who later reflected one of the characters in Lord Jim. In **1890**, he went to Africa and his health became worse **as** the result of his voyage up to Congo. Then, he left the sea forever in **1894** and began his literary career.

In **1896**, he married Jessie George, an English woman **by** whom he had two sons. He lived thereafter in England. On August **3**, 1942 at the age of **67**, he died at Oswald Bishopsbourne, Kent.

B. The Synopsis of Lord Jim

The story begins with introducing Lord Jim, the main character **of** the story, at the lowest point in his career. He is a water-clerk for a **firm** of ship-chandlers where everyone knows him simply as Jim. Jim has a dream to be a hero so that he enters a training ship **for** officers of the merchant marine and

gets the third place in navigation. On his first test in a ship, he faces a terrible storm. He convinces himself that he is not afraid but can make heroic actions. His psychological problems appear and also his conflicts, inner and outer conflicts. Unfortunately, he fails in realizing his dream to be a hero because he just “stood still” and does nothing. Later, he gets injured from a falling spar, which puts him in the hospital.

Out of the hospital, he joins the Patna, an old ship consists of eight hundred Moslem pilgrims, as the first mate. There are four officers on it and Jim stays away from them. On a dark night in the Arabian Sea, the Patna gets an accident. The officers think that it is going to sink and there are only few lifeboats and a little time. But, Jim thinks that they are cowards because they refuse to help the pilgrims and run away by a lifeboat. The third engineer, who should follow them, has fallen on the bridge and Jim does not know that the man is dead of a heart attack. Because the wind hits the Patna suddenly, Jim realizes that the ship cannot be saved anymore. He jumps out of the ship and joins the other officers on a small lifeboat. Jim hears the screams of the helpless pilgrims. He almost swims back to the Patna, but he does not do it. He never forgets this Patna incident.

The following day, the ship Avondale, picks up the four men and delivers them to an eastern port. Then, the news tells that the Patna has been discovered by a French ship and has been towed into Aden. Knowing this news, the officers disappear and Jim faces official Inquiry alone. At the

inquiry, he insists that there was not a chance for the Patna to survive. There he meets Marlow who becomes the narrator of the story of Jim. Marlow invites Jim to have dinner with him at Malabar House, and Jim tells him the incident that happened to the Patna. Marlow feels sorry for Jim and wants to help him. When the Inquiry ends, Jim loses his certificates.

Marlow helps Jim by giving him a job. He does it well and pleases his boss, but suddenly he leaves because someone has brought up the Patna affair and he cannot endure it. Jim leaves job after job. Marlow, then, tells Jim's problem to Stein, an old trader with a butterfly collection, who thinks that Jim is a romantic person **who** lives **in** a dream to be a hero. Then, Stein offers **Jim** to **go** to Patusan, an isolated community in a native state where there are three factions struggling **for** supremacy. **Jim** is *so* excited by this offer because he wants to bury his guilty feeling. Stein gives Jim a silver ring, which is the symbol **of** an eternal friendship between Stein and Doramin, chief of the Bugis Malays in Patusan.

On the way **to** Patusan, Tungku Allang's men capture Jim, but he escapes to Doramin's village. When he shows the ring, he is welcomed and protected by them. There he makes friend with Dain Waris, Doramin's son, and works together to control both Sheriff Ali and Tungku Allang and their people.

All the Malays love and trust Jim. Here, he finds Jewel, the girl who becomes his wife. Two years later, Marlow visits Jim at Patusan, but his

coming upsets Jim because it reminds Jim of the Patna incident. Then Marlow decides not to visit Patusan anymore and leaves alone.

In Patusan, there is a man named Cornelius. He is the manager of Stein's trading post in this village. Cornelius feels uncomfortable with the presence of Jim and he wants to kill Jim because he thinks that Jim will take over his position as a manager of a trading post there. Cornelius joins with Mr. Brown, an Australian, in order to kill Jim. Mr. Brown, who has stolen a ship in Zamboanga, and with some desperate seamen, come to Patusan to pillage the settlement and to supply his ship when Jim is absent. But the village people under Dain Waris fight them and drive them to a hillock. When Jim returns, all the villagers urge him to destroy them, but Jim decides to talk to Mr. Brown. Jim promises the Patusan people that he can make an agreement with Mr. Brown.

Mr. Brown, actually, does not know about Jim's past life, but he knows that Jim hides something, which makes him stay in an isolated place. Then, he says to Jim that he has hidden in this isolated place because of fear. This reminds Jim of his guilty feeling and his failure in the Patna. Jim then promises Mr. Brown about the safety in leaving this island with an agreement that Mr. Brown and his men will never come to Patusan village anymore. But, Mr. Brown, advised by Cornelius makes a sudden attack to the villagers and this incident cause the death of Dain Waris and many of his soldiers. The survivors bring the body of Dain Waris. The hand of the dead body is holding

the silver ring that Jim ever showed it to Doramin. And, when they put Dain Waris' body in front of Doramin, the ring falls and this brings anger to Doramin. He wants to kill Jim who causes the death **of** his only son.

Jim then hears the news and he realizes that the Malays will never trust him anymore. Jewel, Jim's wife, and Tamb' Itam, Jim's servant, urge Jim to fight **or go** away **from** this land, but Jim refuses and goes to Doramin's village. He arrives and sees his dead friend's face and unarmed he faces Doramin. Then Doramin shoots Jim's chest. Jim **looks** at the Malays proudly and falls down at Doramin's feet.