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KETCHIKAN IS RIPPED UP BY OWN CITIZEN

Rev. C. M. Van Marter Tells of
Evils of Red Light District
and Other Joins

CONTEMPT AND RIDICULE
Defends Fishermen From Impu-
tations Upon Them; Urges
Boat to Prince Rupert

The following is the report of an address given in Ketchikan by the Methodist minister of that place as reported in a Ketchikan paper:

"I offer no apology for my discussion of this theme tonight. The public is now asked to take its stand as to whether it believes in law, order and common decency. If I, as a minister in a church that stands for the highest, kept silence, I ought to be held up to public scorn and contempt," the Rev. C. M. Van Marter declared last night, speaking on the subject, "Shall the Law be Enforced, or Shall the United States Attorney be Fired?" to an audience that filled the main floor of the church, the balcony and even the stairway. He took as his text, "Ye cannot serve God and mammon."

Referring to "the stand taken by some well meaning people," that of two evils one should choose the least, Mr. Van Marter pointed out how an evil that was endorsed and condoned soon became a public sore and proved that the federal law for the abatement of the red light district had "teeth" in it by reading the text of that law passed in 1919. Why then the "howl and roar" in Ketchikan when the matter of its enforcement was taken up by the assistant U. S. attorney? "Are we, as American citizens, going to throw it over and continue to go to our lodges and salute old glory?" Van Marter demanded.

Pathetic Phase
"This subject has many phases, some pathetic, some contemptible, while others are ridiculous," Mr. Van Marter continued. "The pathetic phase is that woman who is supposed to stand for all that is purest and loveliest in life—should sink to such depths as to be placed in the spotlight of public investigation. But I am not going to arraign the women of the underworld and hold them up to public scorn and contempt, many of whom have been forced into a life of shame.

"For the contemptible feature of this evil is that one cannot turn the esarehlight of public investigation upon the men who uphold, support, patronize and make the existence of such places possible; men that live and prey off the products of this sin and evil life; pimps so low and vile as to live on the money of fallen women and then beat them up as happened here recently.

Ketchikan's "Wall Street"
"A man once pointed out to me our restricted district and said, 'This is Ketchikan's Wall Street,'" Mr. Van Marter told his audience. "I thought it was a joke, but since the furor caused in this city since the assistant U. S. attorney dropped a wet blanket over Ketchikan's 'Wall Street,' causing a panic in some circles, I am reminded of Wall Street, where fluctuations in the stock market so often throw a panic in the financial world.

"I thought the future of Alaska depended upon her fishing industry, her mining, her great forests, her fur industry and hence steps have been taken to insure their future, but as I listen to some of the arguments put forth, it would

seem that her future rests upon a row of assignation houses filled with prostitutes. Is it possible that the financial basis of this town rests upon such a flimsy basis, when every time the grand jury meets, the underworld denizens are thrown into a panic or get out of town? That which is outlawed has no standing in court and nothing logical or decent can be said about it. If fish are caught illegally, every canneryman wants the law enforced. Why all this fuss and commotion? This disturbance in the financial and industrial world appears almost like the breaking up of home ties, the severing of family relations.

Urged by Wife
"When this question came up, my wife said to me, 'If you don't lift your voice and take a stand on this matter, I will think you have some financial, political or private reason for not doing so.' This cry of 'it will ruin our town,' send it on 'the financial rocks,' is an echo of the cry when the gambling halls and dance halls on Front Street were closed. The places were rented for twice as much almost before the inmates were kicked out.

"A man said to me the other day, 'Well, if they close the red light district, we will have no new school building.'

"Now," vehemently declared Mr. Van Marter, "if this restricted district is allowed to remain and your boys are allowed to visit them and our youth to go on slumming parties, you won't need a school house; what you will need is a home for the feeble minded. Government statistics show that 96 per cent of the prostitutes in the United States have venereal diseases. The greatest percentage of deaths result from such diseases. The hospitals are filled with men, women and children suffering from some form of them. Yet there are mothers who wish to keep these sources of disease and death.

Medical Graft
"As to the argument that prostitutes should be segregated where they can have medical inspection and police supervision, Medical inspection is nothing but a monumental farce and medical graft" went on Mr. Van Marter. "For years the English army carried such women in camp, until it was proved that it made them physically unfit for duty. The majority of the progressive states have abolished these districts. They are not allowed in the vicinity of the U. S. army or navy camps. It is a great pity that the war department and General Pershing did not appoint a delegation to visit Ketchikan and get some ideas before taking such drastic measures.

"As to segregating them so that they will not be all over town, they are already all over the city. What reputation has the place known as the Bath House? The Rex rooming house? Pig Tail alley? Rooms over certain stores in the heart of the city? Places in Newtown? At Charcoal Point? What about the bootlegging joints? The open gambling all night?

"If the laws were enforced and every disreputable place in town cleaned up and abatement proceedings enforced for a year, owners of the buildings would be more careful in future about renting them to people of such character.

Why Laws Are Broken
"The reason why the present condition of affairs exists in this town today is one of four things; either there is no law or ordinance governing it; incompetent officers, too weak or cowardly to enforce the law; protection paid in direct violation of law; or failure on the part of the mayor and council to back up the officers. The public, not I, must be judge and jury of them.

"I am confident, however, that competent officers, backed by the mayor and city council and police committee, could clean the town of its tenderloin district, bootleggers and gamblers. Many would leave town without standing trial.

Is Line a Necessity.
"What does the 'line' produce? A row of bootleggers, the headquarters of the dope ring of Ketchikan who are in league with San Francisco agents, and robbers without arrests or convictions. Last Christmas a young man on the way south to a waiting bride was relieved of most of his money. In that case the ring of the underworld played a part. I won't describe him. Will only say he is an ex-convict. The man was glad to get back \$150 of his \$380. What would happen if a bank clerk or grocery clerk short changed?

"The city election is coming

and now is a good time to make law and order a campaign issue and elect the right men to office.

Fishermen Made the Goat
"Another objection is that the fishermen will not sell their fish here. If I were a fisherman and you said that about me, I would not come. What a slander on their name to class them with the under-world! Bait and traps are used to catch fish. The fisherman is baited with the court-izan with her painted face, trapped in our protected houses of ill-fame, put to sleep with knock-out drops and relieved of his money. As high as \$2,000 are lost in a day or two, going to bootleggers, pimps and prostitutes.

"If the business men really wish to hold the fishermen, why not try some fresh bait. Run out a row of piling along the old



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go through the pain of motherhood only to have that loved child grow up to be a denizen of the underworld?"

ANGLICAN TEA AND SALE AT MRS. LEE'S SUCCESSFUL AFFAIR

The tea and sale of home cooking held yesterday afternoon by the Women's Auxiliary of St. Andrew's Anglican Church at the home of Mrs. H. St. G. Lee, Bank of Montreal Block, was largely attended and was very successful. Mrs. J. C. McLennan poured and those assisting were Mrs. G. A. McNicholl, Mrs. G. Whitehead, Mrs. R. Beaumont, Mrs. J. H. McMullin, and Mrs. C. C. Mills. The home cooking table was presided over by Mrs. C. F. Kemp and Mrs. J. Barasley.

Thomas dock, make a breakwater, dredge it and make a harbor where boats could be left safely. Charge a small fee and have a watchman. Find a place where the fishermen can paint and repair their boats. Give them fair prices on gear and bait. Get behind the plan to offer boat service to Prince Rupert and for a time forget red lights and look at the white lights of purity and decency. If the tenderloin district is necessary for our prosperity, put a big red light on a flag pole so tall that it can be seen for twenty miles to welcome the fishermen—and President Harding when he visits us next summer.

Banner Year
"The consensus of opinion has been that this was going to be a banner year," Mr. Van Marter went on, "but suddenly we find