

## MILLIONS JOIN IN VAST FIGHT ON SALES TAX

Organized Protest Behind Stubborn Resistance by Congressmen.

BY MAX STERN  
Times Staff Writer

WASHINGTON, March 22.—Upward of 50,000,000 Americans, through their organizations here, voiced opposition to the proposed general sales tax.

Behind the stubborn resistance of congressmen from both parties to the new revenue bill with its \$600,000,000 sales tax provision is an organized folk movement of protest. Not counting the 1924 Democratic platform's repudiation of the sales tax, the earlier opposition of Treasury Secretary Ogden L. Mills and Undersecretary A. A. Ballantine and other protests against the new tax principle in general, here are some of the protests on record against this measure:

The three great American farm organizations—Farm Bureau Federation, National Grange and Farmers Educational and Co-Operative Union—all of whose representatives officially protested the sales tax at committee hearings.

"The sales tax meets the unequalled disapproval of the 27,000,000 people upon the farms of this country," declared Fred Brenckman of the grange.

Opposed by Labor Unions

The American Federation of Labor, through repeated resolutions and through a broadside from William Green, president, last week, the A. F. of L., with its 4,000,000 members, protests some 20,000,000 people.

The railway labor unions, representing 1,000,000 workers and their families.

The Chamber of Commerce, which through its committee on federal taxation, recommended "moderate excises on a number of articles of wide use, but not of first necessity in preference to any form of general sales or turnover tax."

People's Lobby, headed by Professor John Dewey, denouncing the sales tax as "governmental blackmail on hunger."

National Consumers' League, through its president, Dr. John R. Commons.

National Association of Retail Grocers, C. H. Jensen, secretary-manager, expressing "opposition to any form of federal sales tax."

Retailers' Fight Sales Tax

National Retail Hardware Association, Herbert Sheets, managing director, expressing "unequivocal opposition to any form of sales tax."

National Retail Furniture Association, Roscoe Rau, managing director, expressing opposition to "any form of sales tax."

National Shoe Retailers' Association, James H. Stone, manager, opposing "a sales tax of any kind."

Garment Retailers of America; American National Retailer Jewelers Association; National Retail Drygoods Association, Carlos B. Clark, spokesman, who told the committee that with business prospect "it is no time to impose upon it useless burdens."

Special groups of manufacturers, including California Packing Corporation, opposing the canned goods tax; National Association of Ice Industries; National Association of Ice Cream Manufacturers; American Cotton Co-operative Association; Associated Co-operative Industries of America.

American Electric Railway Association, opposing electricity sales tax on the ground that it will increase street car fares.

Fear Disrupted Home Life

National Electric Light Association, William J. Hagenah, spokesman, who declares that a sales tax on electricity "endangers development, would seriously disrupt American home life."

Leading economists such as Dr. Leo Wolman of Columbia university, oppose the sales tax.

Professor E. R. A. Seligman of Columbia has said that the sales tax "sins against the cardinal principle of equality of taxation." Dr. William J. Schultz, financial economist for the National Industrial conference board, who says "the supreme drawback to a federal sales tax would be its social injustice," and Dr. Joseph D. McGoldrick of Columbia, who says a sales tax would check consumption."

National Credit Men's Association.

National Industrial Conference Board, through its tax committee, reporting in the past against the sales tax principle.

NEW BOOKS RELEASED

Additional Volumes Made Available at Business Branch Library.

New books released this week at the Indianapolis business branch library include:

"Frankenstein, Incorporated," by Wormell; "Phantom Fame, the Anatomy of a Career," by Sheriff; "Labor Agreements in the Building Industry," by Whitten; "Small Homes," by Whitten; "Introduction to Advertising," by Brewster, and "Directed," by the Rock Products Industry, 1931-32."

Rheumatism  
Goes  
Swollen Joints  
Vanish

How to Stop Rheumatic Agony in Less Than a Week

If you suffer from torturing rheumatic pains, sore muscles or stiff inflamed joints, it's because your system is full of the dangerous poisons that cause rheumatism and make thousands helpless. What you need is RU-MA, and need it right now.

RU-MA acts on the blood, kidneys and liver, and helps drive the dangerous rheumatic poisons from the system through the natural channels of elimination. It eases the first day.

You must take an internal medicine to free the joints and muscles of torturing stiffness, soreness and torturing pain. That's why RU-MA succeeds where external remedies and pain deadening drugs give only temporary relief.

Hooks Dependable Drug Stores say: "If you take any kind of rheumatism you have, or how long you have suffered, try RU-MA—it must completely stop all rheumatic agony or get your money back."—Advertisement.

## A BOOK A DAY

BY BRUCE CATTON

THERE aren't very many empty spaces on the map any more. The man who finds one, and goes across unexplored territory to see what it is like, ought to be able to write an uncommonly interesting book when he gets back.

Bertram Thomas is such a man. He went across the emptiest and most desolate part of Arabia, over mountains and deserts, where no European ever had been; and his "Arabia Felix" is his record of the trip.

But it isn't, somehow, quite the book one expects.

TO be sure, it is a scholarly, well-written bit of work. The author is vivid in his descriptions of the tremendous stretches of barren sand and rock which his party crossed.

He is exact and scientific in his discussion of the wild tribesmen he encountered. His text is illustrated with a great many excellent photographs.

But the spark of genius that touches the writings of such Arabian travelers as Doughty, Burton, and Lawrence just isn't there. Mr. Thomas is better as an explorer than as a writer.

That isn't to say that you won't find the book interesting. You will. It is to the writer's credit that he has popularized his subject without sacrificing those qualities that give it scientific value.

"Arabia Felix" is published by Scribner's, and costs \$5.

Opposed by Labor Unions

The American Federation of Labor, through repeated resolutions and through a broadside from William Green, president, last week, the A. F. of L., with its 4,000,000 members, protests some 20,000,000 people.

The railway labor unions, representing 1,000,000 workers and their families.

The Chamber of Commerce, which through its committee on federal taxation, recommended "moderate excises on a number of articles of wide use, but not of first necessity in preference to any form of general sales or turnover tax."

People's Lobby, headed by Professor John Dewey, denouncing the sales tax as "governmental blackmail on hunger."

National Consumers' League, through its president, Dr. John R. Commons.

National Association of Retail Grocers, C. H. Jensen, secretary-manager, expressing "opposition to any form of federal sales tax."

Retailers' Fight Sales Tax

National Retail Hardware Association, Herbert Sheets, managing director, expressing "unequivocal opposition to any form of sales tax."

National Retail Furniture Association, Roscoe Rau, managing director, expressing opposition to "any form of sales tax."

National Shoe Retailers' Association, James H. Stone, manager, opposing "a sales tax of any kind."

Garment Retailers of America; American National Retailer Jewelers Association; National Retail Drygoods Association, Carlos B. Clark, spokesman, who told the committee that with business prospect "it is no time to impose upon it useless burdens."

Special groups of manufacturers, including California Packing Corporation, opposing the canned goods tax; National Association of Ice Industries; National Association of Ice Cream Manufacturers; American Cotton Co-operative Association; Associated Co-operative Industries of America.

American Electric Railway Association, opposing electricity sales tax on the ground that it will increase street car fares.

Fear Disrupted Home Life

National Electric Light Association, William J. Hagenah, spokesman, who declares that a sales tax on electricity "endangers development, would seriously disrupt American home life."

Leading economists such as Dr. Leo Wolman of Columbia university, oppose the sales tax.

Professor E. R. A. Seligman of Columbia has said that the sales tax "sins against the cardinal principle of equality of taxation." Dr. William J. Schultz, financial economist for the National Industrial conference board, who says "the supreme drawback to a federal sales tax would be its social injustice," and Dr. Joseph D. McGoldrick of Columbia, who says a sales tax would check consumption."

National Credit Men's Association.

National Industrial Conference Board, through its tax committee, reporting in the past against the sales tax principle.

NEW BOOKS RELEASED

Additional Volumes Made Available at Business Branch Library.

New books released this week at the Indianapolis business branch library include:

"Frankenstein, Incorporated," by Wormell; "Phantom Fame, the Anatomy of a Career," by Sheriff; "Labor Agreements in the Building Industry," by Whitten; "Small Homes," by Whitten; "Introduction to Advertising," by Brewster, and "Directed," by the Rock Products Industry, 1931-32."

Rheumatism  
Goes  
Swollen Joints  
Vanish

How to Stop Rheumatic Agony in Less Than a Week

If you suffer from torturing rheumatic pains, sore muscles or stiff inflamed joints, it's because your system is full of the dangerous poisons that cause rheumatism and make thousands helpless. What you need is RU-MA, and need it right now.

RU-MA acts on the blood, kidneys and liver, and helps drive the dangerous rheumatic poisons from the system through the natural channels of elimination. It eases the first day.

You must take an internal medicine to free the joints and muscles of torturing stiffness, soreness and torturing pain. That's why RU-MA succeeds where external remedies and pain deadening drugs give only temporary relief.

Hooks Dependable Drug Stores say: "If you take any kind of rheumatism you have, or how long you have suffered, try RU-MA—it must completely stop all rheumatic agony or get your money back."—Advertisement.

RU-MA acts on the blood, kidneys and liver, and helps drive the dangerous rheumatic poisons from the system through the natural channels of elimination. It eases the first day.

You must take an internal medicine to free the joints and muscles of torturing stiffness, soreness and torturing pain. That's why RU-MA succeeds where external remedies and pain deadening drugs give only temporary relief.

Hooks Dependable Drug Stores say: "If you take any kind of rheumatism you have, or how long you have suffered, try RU-MA—it must completely stop all rheumatic agony or get your money back."—Advertisement.

RU-MA acts on the blood, kidneys and liver, and helps drive the dangerous rheumatic poisons from the system through the natural channels of elimination. It eases the first day.

You must take an internal medicine to free the joints and muscles of torturing stiffness, soreness and torturing pain. That's why RU-MA succeeds where external remedies and pain deadening drugs give only temporary relief.

Hooks Dependable Drug Stores say: "If you take any kind of rheumatism you have, or how long you have suffered, try RU-MA—it must completely stop all rheumatic agony or get your money back."—Advertisement.

RU-MA acts on the blood, kidneys and liver, and helps drive the dangerous rheumatic poisons from the system through the natural channels of elimination. It eases the first day.

You must take an internal medicine to free the joints and muscles of torturing stiffness, soreness and torturing pain. That's why RU-MA succeeds where external remedies and pain deadening drugs give only temporary relief.

Hooks Dependable Drug Stores say: "If you take any kind of rheumatism you have, or how long you have suffered, try RU-MA—it must completely stop all rheumatic agony or get your money back."—Advertisement.

RU-MA acts on the blood, kidneys and liver, and helps drive the dangerous rheumatic poisons from the system through the natural channels of elimination. It eases the first day.

You must take an internal medicine to free the joints and muscles of torturing stiffness, soreness and torturing pain. That's why RU-MA succeeds where external remedies and pain deadening drugs give only temporary relief.

Hooks Dependable Drug Stores say: "If you take any kind of rheumatism you have, or how long you have suffered, try RU-MA—it must completely stop all rheumatic agony or get your money back."—Advertisement.

RU-MA acts on the blood, kidneys and liver, and helps drive the dangerous rheumatic poisons from the system through the natural channels of elimination. It eases the first day.

You must take an internal medicine to free the joints and muscles of torturing stiffness, soreness and torturing pain. That's why RU-MA succeeds where external remedies and pain deadening drugs give only temporary relief.

Hooks Dependable Drug Stores say: "If you take any kind of rheumatism you have, or how long you have suffered, try RU-MA—it must completely stop all rheumatic agony or get your money back."—Advertisement.

RU-MA acts on the blood, kidneys and liver, and helps drive the dangerous rheumatic poisons from the system through the natural channels of elimination. It eases the first day.

You must take an internal medicine to free the joints and muscles of torturing stiffness, soreness and torturing pain. That's why RU-MA succeeds where external remedies and pain deadening drugs give only temporary relief.

Hooks Dependable Drug Stores say: "If you take any kind of rheumatism you have, or how long you have suffered, try RU-MA—it must completely stop all rheumatic agony or get your money back."—Advertisement.

RU-MA acts on the blood, kidneys and liver, and helps drive the dangerous rheumatic poisons from the system through the natural channels of elimination. It eases the first day.

You must take an internal medicine to free the joints and muscles of torturing stiffness, soreness and torturing pain. That's why RU-MA succeeds where external remedies and pain deadening drugs give only temporary relief.

Hooks Dependable Drug Stores say: "If you take any kind of rheumatism you have, or how long you have suffered, try RU-MA—it must completely stop all rheumatic agony or get your money back."—Advertisement.

RU-MA acts on the blood, kidneys and liver, and helps drive the dangerous rheumatic poisons from the system through the natural channels of elimination. It eases the first day.

You must take an internal medicine to free the joints and muscles of torturing stiffness, soreness and torturing pain. That's why RU-MA succeeds where external remedies and pain deadening drugs give only temporary relief.

Hooks Dependable Drug Stores say: "If you take any kind of rheumatism you have, or how long you have suffered, try RU-MA—it must completely stop all rheumatic agony or get your money back."—Advertisement.

RU-MA acts on the blood, kidneys and liver, and helps drive the dangerous rheumatic poisons from the system through the natural channels of elimination. It eases the first day.

You must take an internal medicine to free the joints and muscles of torturing stiffness, soreness and torturing pain. That's why RU-MA succeeds where external remedies and pain deadening drugs give only temporary relief.

Hooks Dependable Drug Stores say: "If you take any kind of rheumatism you have, or how long you have suffered, try RU-MA—it must completely stop all rheumatic agony or get your money back."—Advertisement.

RU-MA acts on the blood, kidneys and liver, and helps drive the dangerous rheumatic poisons from the system through the natural channels of elimination. It eases the first day.

You must take an internal medicine to free the joints and muscles of torturing stiffness, soreness and torturing pain. That's why RU-MA succeeds where external remedies and pain deadening drugs give only temporary relief.

Hooks Dependable Drug Stores say: "If you take any kind of rheumatism you have, or how long you have suffered, try RU-MA—it must completely stop all rheumatic agony or get your money back."—Advertisement.

RU-MA acts on the blood, kidneys and liver, and helps drive the dangerous rheumatic poisons from the system through the natural channels of elimination. It eases the first day.

You must take an internal medicine to free the joints and muscles of torturing stiffness, soreness and torturing pain. That's why RU-MA succeeds where external remedies and pain deadening drugs give only temporary relief.

Hooks Dependable Drug Stores say: "If you take any kind of rheumatism you have, or how long you have suffered, try RU-MA—it must completely stop all rheumatic agony or get your money back."—Advertisement.

RU-MA acts on the blood, kidneys and liver, and helps drive the dangerous rheumatic poisons from the system through the natural channels of elimination. It eases the first day.

You must take an internal medicine to free the joints and muscles of torturing stiffness, soreness and torturing pain. That's why RU-MA succeeds where external remedies and pain deadening drugs give only temporary relief.

Hooks Dependable Drug Stores say: "If you take any kind of rheumatism you have, or how long you have suffered, try RU-MA—it must completely stop all rheumatic agony or get your money back."—Advertisement.

RU-MA acts on the blood, kidneys and liver, and helps drive the dangerous rheumatic poisons from the system through the natural channels of elimination. It eases the first day.