

*FREE TRADE—FREE WORLD* is a famous editor's stirring challenge to the people of the United States to stand solidly behind their Government in its nearly complete break with our protectionist past. Here, Oswald Garrison Villard, long known for his readiness to dissent from governmental policy, throws the weight of his facile pen in favor of the Administration's demand for an International Trade Organization and the removal of all trade barriers as rapidly as possible.

Just how far the turnabout in Government policy has gone, and what is going on in Washington, in a sense behind the scenes, the growing resentment against tariffs in labor circles and in the business world—all significant episodes in a new, dramatic chapter in our national life—are here portrayed in a manner startling to those who have failed to follow the trend of this economic revolution.

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Beyond that, this book fully answers all the traditional arguments against free trade, shows why we need not fear the competition of low-paid foreign labor, and gives the whole history of our tariff corruption, its catering to special privilege and its sordid political background.

The author is well aware of the pitfalls ahead of those seeking to uproot the protectionist evils. This book neither expects nor demands the immediate wiping out of all tariffs. It does, however, insist that the Government's sole objective must be complete economic freedom and free markets everywhere, warning, in the words of Francis N. Sayre, that: "If goods do not cross boundaries, armies will!"

"The moral and financial leadership of the world is in our grasp," Mr. Villard says, but "we cannot hold it and use it for the betterment of mankind without absolute economic freedom wherever the American flag flies. To free the world, we must first free trade."