At one of the meetings at Old South, John Rowe, who was a Boston merchant,
Rowe’s Wharf, was his wharf.
And he had street lights coming in.
He wanted to get the street lights off of the ships here.
He owned one of the ships too, so he was really worried about his ship.
And he didn't take strong political stands.
At one of these meetings at Old South Meeting House,
Rowe said rhetorically, “I wonder how the tea would mix with salt water.”
And there is this great cheer.
People think, this old Tory, John Rowe is now on our side.
He was just thinking aloud as what to do about the tea.
Well, it can't go back to England because the governor says no,

00:00:43:14 - 00:00:46:26 it can't be unloaded because the town says no.

00:00:46:26 - 00:00:49:19 So we'll throw it into the harbor and destroy it.

00:00:49:19 - 00:00:53:10 So that becomes what happens with the tea.