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### WHEN TO SUPPORT HOME INSTITUTIONS

Now comes the Oregon Manufacturers' Associations, with long articles and short editorals, asking space in the columns of the Oregon press and this institution, too, wants something for nothing, while it yells loudly and makes strong appeal why Oregon manufacturing interests should be patronized, or in plainer terms, should be protected.

The Canadian Reciprocity Treaty is the "screech owl" the members of this association are "scared of" and hence, this appeal for the citizens of Oregon ficient to buy casing and sink the to dance attendance while they whistle-the people can do the dancing and whistle too, if their cuds are accomplished.

The HEBALD advocates the support of home institutions, but it is not an advocate of highway robery, and protection frequently brings about conditions which practically amount to high-handed tohery of the people.

Why does the manufacturer want protection? He desires it so that he can charge his home people a greater price than he could otherwise charge, for were he not protected, similar articles and just as good could be shipped in and bought at cost of production with a fair percent of interest added, but where protection prevails this cannot be done, and the higher the protective tariff is placed, the greater is the amount which the manufacturer can filch out of the pockets of the home-people. There are many instances on record showing the unequal conditions of protection. A few years ago, if memory serves as right it was at the time of the Chicago Exposition, protection was taken off iron so that bids might be secured and the cost of construction reduced to the lowest cost. This was done that foreign institutions might have a chence to compete with home. manufacturors. Did the foreignor get the contract? Not much; Oil, Gas. Coal & Land Company he was unable, because of dis- were on hand to watch the hetance and cost of transportation, to compete with American firms good working order and in five and the home manufacturer got the contract. At one time, and possibly yet, you could buy a Moline plow in Mexico at onehalf the price paid for the same plow from dealers at home. It does not require much of a bus- been sold, and it is understood line of ipess herd to determine that the that other shares will be put on Moline Company did not ship the market and that the money plows to Mexico at a less to the as fast as received will be used company, hence, home people in the development of the properwere robbed of about nine dol- ty,-Dallas Observer. lars which mostly-went into the pockets of the manufacturers. granting to this country sold his hair. Mrs. J. W. Richardson Sr. sewing machine of American Monmouth St., Independence, Or. partments. manufacture, which had cost him \$30, because he supposed he Full blooded Ancona, 15 eggs could buy a new one cheaper for \$1.50 at Mrs. J. L. Mur-

States, but he was surprised WWWWWW when he found that a machine such as he sold would cost him double what he paid for it in Germany. So we see that the manufacturer is protected and the home consumers are fleeced and this is the chief reason that Oregon manufacturers are fighting the reciprocity treaty.

We believe that the consumer should patronize and prefer home institutions, but we also believe that home institutions should deal justly with the home people, but when institutions exact exhorbitant prices they have no claim to the support of those whom they are trying to exploit.

Home interests should be subserved by manufacturers and dealers as well as by consumers. We need more of the reciprocity spirit at home in order that we may build better, stronger and more successful.

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#### The Whiteaker Oil Well

Promoters of the Whiteaker oil well are moving with the object in view of raising funds -ufwell a few hundred feet deeper to determine whether or not there is oil to be found there.

Ten men who will put in \$100 each are now wanted to help out in the search for oil. Flattering reports have come out from time to time, of indications of oil at this well and it is odd that the promoters should be handicapped to any great extent if they can make a good showing of future prespects.

The well has been idle for some time, but if the indications are as good as reported, there should be no hardship in getting men who are interested in knowing what is under their lands to put up enough to insure the exeriment, especially since they would be gainers in case a strike was made.

Polk County lands are valuable without oil under them, but they would more than double in value with its discovery.

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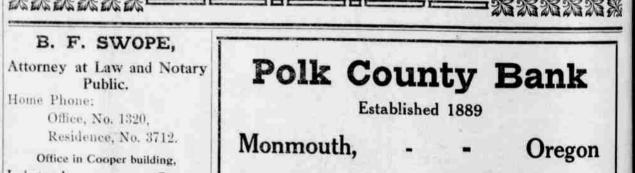
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world that we have no ambitions toward the further acquisition of territory. We should say not! We have not even made any move toward the occupacy of the recently discovered North Pole. -Telegram.

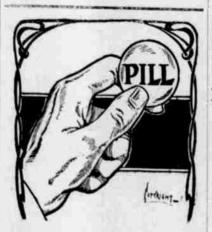
#### Start Oil Well

The oil well on the G. W. Mc-Bee place was the scene of considerable activity last Monday morning, when the drill was started on its dow nward journey. A number of the officers and stockholders of the Polk County ginning. The machinery was in hours of drilling a hole 15 1-2 inches in diameter was sunk a distance of 25 feet. After reaching a depth of 100 feet it is the intention to start to putting down the casing. Twelve hundred shares at 10 cents a share have

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