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mining and the Swain Reefs from oil exploration. The group later

swelled to encompass scientists,	trade unionists and politicists	