

STRIKE IS OVER AT NORTHWEST PLANT

Concessions Are Made by Both Sides and Company Will Install Bonus System.

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Willamette Plant Still at Outs With Union, but Officials Anticipate That 92 to 95 Per Cent of Force Is Working.

With the signing of an agreement by J. R. Bowles, president of the Northwest Steel Company, and the committee representing the striking mechanics yesterday morning, the strike which had been in effect since December 30 was settled and a definite understanding between the workmen and officials of the company reached.

Mr. Bowles announced that as many men as possible would be put to work today and that the night shift would resume tonight. It is expected that from 150 to 200 men will get their jobs back in a day or two and fully as many more will find positions in a few days.

Bonus System Contemplated.

With the settlement of the strike the company issued a circular to the employees, giving notice of the plans to form a social and beneficial association among the men. The plans provide for social affairs, dances and outings from time to time at the expense of the company. It is also planned to set aside a fund later for distribution among employees as a reward for efficient and continuous service. The plan will be similar to the bonus system in effect at many large plants throughout the country.

Mr. Baker Is Successful.

The strike was in effect a little more than two weeks and was called following the rejection of the plan proposed by the Willamette Iron & Steel Works. Officials of that company and the Northwest Steel Company had refused to meet representatives of the United Transa Council, which was making demands for the closed shop, as well as a higher scale of wages and other benefits.

Willamette Still Blacklisted.

Representatives of the Metal Trades Council declared yesterday that picketing would be continued until the company showed a disposition to negotiate with a committee of their men. Mr. Ball, president of the union, said he should say his position and he has no intention of recognizing the union.

INDIAN SLAYER PAROLED

Umatilla County Rancher Victim of Youth Who Is Freed.

PENDLETON, Or., Jan. 16.—(Special.)—Charles Burke, the Indian boy who was sentenced to one to 15 years in the penitentiary on a charge of murder, has been pardoned and accorded a full release here from Governor Withycombe. Burke was indicted in connection with the death of Kirkpatrick, prominent Umatilla County farmer, two years ago.

OREGON VOTE DEPOSITED

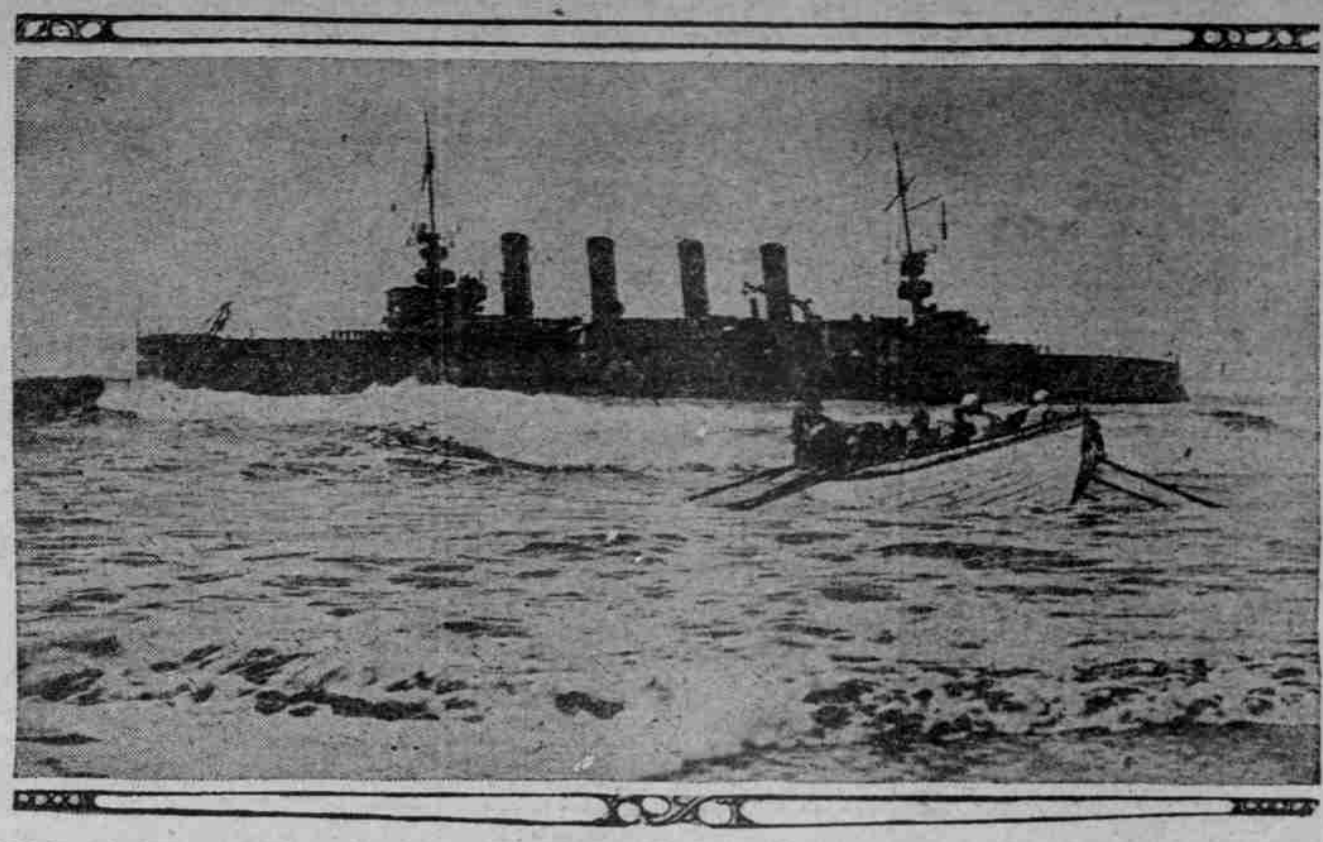
J. F. Wilson Makes Electoral Return to Washington, First From Coast.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Jan. 16.—Oregon's electoral vote was brought to Washington today by J. F. Wilson, of Portland, the official messenger, who deposited it in the office of the vice-president. Oregon was the first received from the Far West.

Shell Kills American Sailor.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—George Kennedy, electrician, was killed on the battleship Oklahoma yesterday by the explosion of a one-pound shell during the practice of Charleston. The shell had been laid aside because of some defects. He was examining it when it exploded.

CRUISER MILWAUKEE IN SURF OFF EUREKA.



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WAR WAGED ON RATS

Fumigation of Unkai Maru No. 2 Is Under Way.

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CARGO LEFT AT SEATTLE

Since Plague Scare Precautions Are Taken to Prevent Rodents Reaching Land for Fear of Carrying Infection.

Guessing is going on board the Japanese tramp Unkai Maru No. 2 as to how many, if any, rodents will have passed the next world when hatches are lifted this morning, for last night iron pots filled with sulphur were distributed in the holds of the vessel for fumigation.

Men Returned Overland.

On the arrival of Admiral Caperton today orders were given for the chartering of a special train to leave tomorrow for San Francisco on which 300 of the Milwaukee's men will be taken to San Francisco to report to Mare Island. The remaining men from the Milwaukee, together with the crew of the Cheyenne and of the H-3, will remain here to do the salvage work.

N-2 Launched at Seattle.

The United States coast and harbor defense submarine N-2 was launched today at the yard of the Seattle Construction & Drydock Company.

PORTLAND BOY WHO WAS BLIND AND DEAF-STARBUCKED CRUISER MILWAUKEE.

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ASTORIA WILL BUILD DREDGE

Fort Unable to Purchase Vessel at Reasonable Price.

ASTORIA, Or., Jan. 16.—(Special.)—The port of Astoria is commissioning its meeting today authorized the committee to call for bids on the construction of a new dredge.

BIGGER SHIP TO PLY PACIFIC

Osaka Shoshen Kaisha to Change Puget Sound Vessels.

SEATTLE, Jan. 16.—The Osaka Shoshen Kaisha announces that it will replace all its smaller Puget Sound liners with vessels the size and type of the larger carriers Hawaii Maru and Manila Maru.

Millard Rampey McMeeken.

Millard Rampey McMeeken, aged 17, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. McMeeken, 700 East Fifteenth street, was a member of the crew of the cruiser Milwaukee that recently picked up on the beach near Eureka, Cal. His family has received assurance of his safety.

Tides at Astoria Wednesday.

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Columbia River Bar Report.

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KANAS CITY, Jan. 16.—One man was killed, another seriously injured and many were cut by flying glass when an oxygen tank exploded in the Hotel building here today.

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