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Decisive Battle Now In Progress on Western Front; Allies Closing In on Germans From North and South

DEFEAT WILL FORCE GERMANY TO ACCEPT TERMS
London, Nov. 5—(Canadian Press despatch from Reuter's, Limited)—The Times' Paris correspondent, reporting that the Allies have agreed on armistice conditions, says that the Allied successes on the French front leave little doubt of German acceptance.

THREATEN FLANKS OF VAST POCKET EXTENDING FROM HOLLAND TO METZ

Excellent Results Have Been Realized So Far
In the North Driving of Wedges May Force Retreat of German Armies in Belgium or Those Between the Oise and the Aisne; In South Great Strategic Offensive, Long Feared by the Enemy, is Launched

Paris, Nov. 5—A battle which is believed here to be decisive is now going on. It is being waged in two sections. In the north the blow delivered by the British armies of Generals Home, Byng and Rawlinson and by the French, under General Debeney, is a threat levelled at one of the flanks of the west pocket formed by the German lines from Holland to Metz.

MILKMEN LIABLE TO FINE OF \$5,000 SAYS MR. FISHER
Fair Price Committee Appointed by Common Council TO INVESTIGATE INCREASE

That the milk producers in Kings and Queens counties who have united in their demand for an increase for milk, and the merchants or local dealers who have decided to boost the price of this commodity in this city have violated an act, which is punishable by a fine not exceeding \$5,000 and a term of imprisonment, was a statement made by Commissioner Fisher at a meeting of the common council this morning. He strongly advocated action by appointing an investigating committee, or fair price committee, to go into the matter thoroughly and report to the council on the 15th inst. and have them deal with the violation. As a result, a motion was passed to that effect and he and Commissioner Bullock were named.

REAL ESTATE

Transfers of real estate have been recorded as follows:
St. John County.
Richard Ascott et al to F. C. Jones, property in Westmorland Terrace.
Lettitia B. Crawford et al to Ida V. Mosher, property in Bryerman Place.
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Hers of W. A. McFate to W. R. McFate, property in Golden Grove.
Katherine G. McFate et vir to W. R. McFate, property in Golden Grove.
F. L. Peters et al to Grant & Horne, property in Hanover street.
C. H. Peters Sons, Ltd., to Grant & Horne, property in Hanover street.
Bella Smith et vir to G. F. Wells, property in St. Martins.
Elizabeth Wilson to Isabella Reid, property in Westmorland Road.
Ectrs. of Jennie A. Wilson to W. J. R. Wilson, property in Woodville road, Kings County.
J. S. Brown to James Robinson, property in Studholm.
G. B. Jones to Hugh Sprague, property in Sussex.
C. E. Leonard to trustees of David O'Connell, property in Hampton.
B. N. Nobles to Abshalom Erb, property in Springfield.
—BUY-VICTORY BONDS—

PROBATE COURT

In the matter of the estate of Addie Kiplagen, letters testamentary have been granted to Mary Elizabeth Code, Francis Kerr is proctor.
In the matter of the estate of John Herman, letters of administration have been granted to Lillian Herman, Kenneth J. MacLac is proctor.
In the matter of the estate of Harry B. Ryan, letters of administration have been granted to Fred D. Ryan, Kenneth J. MacLac is proctor.
In the matter of the estate of Bertha M. Dunham, letters of administration have been granted to Whitney O. Dunham, J. B. M. Baxter is proctor.
In the matter of the estate of W. Morley P. McLaughlin, letters of administration have been granted to Olga A. McLaughlin, Sherwood Skinner is proctor.
In the matter of the estate of James Mills, letters of administration have been granted to Harriet Mills, Heber S. Keith is proctor.
In the matter of the estate of C. Godfrey, letters testamentary have been granted to William H. Allingham, W. A. Ewing is proctor.
In the matter of the estate of Bertha T. Woods, letters testamentary have been granted to Wellington Hannam, Chas. F. Sanford is proctor.
In the matter of the estate of John E. Perry, letters testamentary have been granted to Martha Peck, J. B. M. Baxter is proctor.
In the matter of the estate of Helbert William Smith, letters testamentary have been granted to George Edward Smith, G. H. V. Belyea is proctor.
In the matter of the estate of Fannie Daley, letters testamentary have been granted to James Daley, Heber S. Keith is proctor.
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EARTHQUAKE FELT IN CHICOUTIMI, P.Q.
Quebec, Nov. 5—A severe but short lived earthquake is reported from Chicoutimi, Quebec, where the tremor was felt during some seconds yesterday evening about five o'clock. In some places the shock was strong enough to shake stoves and shift tables.

SALES PEOPLE IN QUEBEC FORM UNION

Quebec, Nov. 5—The Quebec salesmen and sales ladies in large and small department stores recently formed a union and they have sent to the owners of the establishments a request for a raise in salary or a war bonus. So far, the request has not brought a satisfactory answer, excepting the Paquet Company, who have distributed two weeks' salaries as a bonus to everyone of their hundreds of employees. The possibility of a strike is remote yet, but the sales folk may resort to their extreme to obtain a decent living.
—BUY-VICTORY BONDS—



Bolsheviki Government Seeks Peace With Allies

London, Nov. 5—The Bolsheviki government of Russia, it is reported, from Petrograd, has handed the neutral ministers a note for transmission to the Belligerent nations, asking for the opening of peace negotiations in order that hostilities between the Allies and the Soviet government may be ended, says an Exchange Telegraph despatch from Copenhagen.

General Election in Great Britain On December 7

London, Nov. 5—(Canadian Press despatch from Reuter's, Limited)—The general election will take place in Great Britain on December 7, it is expected. This information was given out at a meeting of whips to settle plans for the campaign.

New York, Nov. 4—Russian gold valued at 800,000,000 rubles, taken from Petrograd by the Bolsheviki, has been saved at Kazan by the Omsk government, generally recognized as a foundation for the re-organization of Russia, A. J. Sack, director of the Russian information bureau, announced here tonight on authority of the Russian embassy at Washington.

ITALIANS TAKE TARENT AND 20,000 PRISONERS

Rome, Nov. 5—Tarent, the chief city of the Trentino, was entered at 3.35 o'clock on Sunday afternoon by Italian cavalry, Alpini and artillery, according to a semi-official note issued today giving details of the swift advance of the first army on that city. More than 20,000 Austrians, including the commander of the 50th Schutzen Division, were captured. The Italian flag was hoisted over the castle of Buon Consiglio amid enthusiastic outbursts by the population.

Also Take Possession of Dalmatian Islands; State Council at Vienna Announces That Army is Breaking up in Disorder; Austrian Situation is Final Warning to Arch-Conspirator, Germany

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London, Nov. 5—The Street Railway Company has presented an ultimatum to the city council stating that it wants its tariff of fares increased and in the event of the council failing to agree to these demands that the street service will be discontinued after Nov. 30. As an alternative, the company is willing to sell to the city at a price to be fixed by arbitration, several of the aldermen characterized the ultimatum as a bluff. A special meeting of the council will be held on Thursday night to consider the question.

400,000,000 GOLD TAKEN BY BOLSHEVIKI HAS BEEN RECOVERED

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PROBABLY BONUS ON SLIDING SCALE FOR CIVIL SERVANTS

Ottawa, Nov. 4—The cabinet council again this afternoon had under consideration the application of civil servants for a war bonus of \$350. Earlier in the day there was a conference between Hon. N. R. Rowell, Hon. A. K. MacLean and the deputy ministers at which the situation was threshed out, and reports from the various departments submitted.

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NOT QUITE READY TO LIFT BAN FOR WHOLE PROVINCE

But Conditions Encouraging, Says Minister
Citizens Hope That it May Come in Time to Permit of Adequate Celebration of Peace, if Germany Surrenders

WEATHER REPORT

Issued by Authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Stewart, director of meteorological service.

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