

MONTHLY COLLECTIONS LIKELY TO BE CONTINUED

Majority of Utilities Favor New System.

THE OBJECT IN VIEW

IS TO INCREASE THE USE OF ELECTRICITY.

Total Cost Of White Way To Be Charged Against Street Lighting.—To Call For Tenders For Store House.

The Utilities Commission had a preliminary discussion on Monday afternoon on the question of going back to the old system of quarterly collection of gas and electric rates, but withheld action until a special meeting which is to be held within the next week. It would appear however that the present system of monthly collection will remain, as Chairman Rigney and Commissioner Chown and Toye have expressed themselves in favor of it with Mayor Richardson and Commissioner Elliott opposed.

Commissioner Elliott introduced the matter by moving that after the first of April the gas and electric rates be collected quarterly, with the exception of those which had previously been collected monthly.

The mover claimed that it was costing the Commission \$982 more to collect the rates monthly than quarterly. The system was inconvenient to the public, and the fact of monthly collection was costing the people between \$6,000 and \$6,000 more. The City Council, the Board of Trade and the people generally were asking that the quarterly collection system be put into force again.

Commissioner Chown advised waiting until the Commission had considered the report of the operations last year.

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Commissioner Chown explained that the main idea in monthly collection was to increase the consumption of electricity. This could not be done on the basis of quarterly payment. The new rates were based on monthly payment. The idea of rendering the bills monthly was to show the people how little it costs and to induce them to use more. Cities in the west of the province had raised the same objections as were now being heard in Kingston to the monthly collection system but not one of them would now go back to the quarterly system. Kingston had tried the monthly system only nine months, and Mr. Chown held this was not a long enough trial to give it before voting it out.

Mayor Richardson remarked that if the system was costing more and causing dissatisfaction, he could not

see why it should be continued. He knew that a large number of people were against it.

Commissioner Chown claimed that the monthly system would not cost as much as the statement showed.

Commissioner Elliott—"Then haven't we control of the situation?"

Commissioner Chown—"You'll find out before the end of the year that you haven't." "I believe," he continued, "that the advantages that will accrue to the citizens will be greater than the disadvantages."

Commissioners Toye and Chown said that they had received no complaints about the monthly system. People who came to them were highly pleased with monthly bills.

Mayor Richardson and Commissioner Elliott had an opposite story to tell. They were besieged by people who clamored against monthly bills.

Chairman Rigney remarked that if the cost of the monthly collection system was favorable elsewhere, why not in Kingston? The Chairman said that the people must be patient and allow the system a chance to work out.

Commissioner Chown added that public opinion did not know the advantages of the system yet.

At this juncture, Commissioner Elliott said he would withhold his resolution until the special meeting is held. The Chairman was asked to call one within a week or so.

Cost Of White Way.

At the last meeting of the City Council a resolution was passed asking that the Utilities Commission furnish a statement showing how much of the cost of the "white way" had been charged to street lighting.

General Manager Folger submitted his report on the matter, showing the total cost of the "white way" to be about \$63,000. He recommended that \$22,000 of this should be charged against street lighting and the

balance against the electrical plant in general.

Commissioner Chown objected to this allocation taking the view that the whole cost should be charged against street lighting, because the "white way" was ordered by the City Council as a street improvement and the electrical consumers should not be taxed for it.

Manager Folger held otherwise. All the wires on Princess street had been put under ground and the plant in general received a certain amount of benefit. The "white way" could have been provided at a cost of \$30,000 by feeding the buildings along the route from the rest. It was thought best however to put all the wires underground.

The Commission agreed that the whole cost should be charged against street lighting. This will increase the cost of the lighting, which the City Council aims to keep down.

A letter was received from A. B. Cunningham stating that the Seymour Power Company hoped to be able to reply to the Commission's letter concerning the proposed power agreement sometime this week.

Manager Folger submitted a draft of the new agreement between the Commission and the Street Railway Company which was ratified.

William Newlands & Son, architects, were instructed to call for tenders for erecting a reinforced concrete storehouse for the various utilities. It is proposed to put up a two-story structure at the corner of Ontario and Barrack streets. The cost will be in the vicinity of \$8,300.

On motion of Commissioner Elliott, the Chairman was asked to write three electrical experts and ask them for their terms to report upon the power proposition of the Seymour Company, provided the Commission decides to enter into a contract.

Contracts for supplies were awarded to the lowest tenderers. The Kingston firms who were successful are McKelvey & Birch, W. B. Dalton & Sons, Selby & Youlden and the Frontenac Lumber Company.

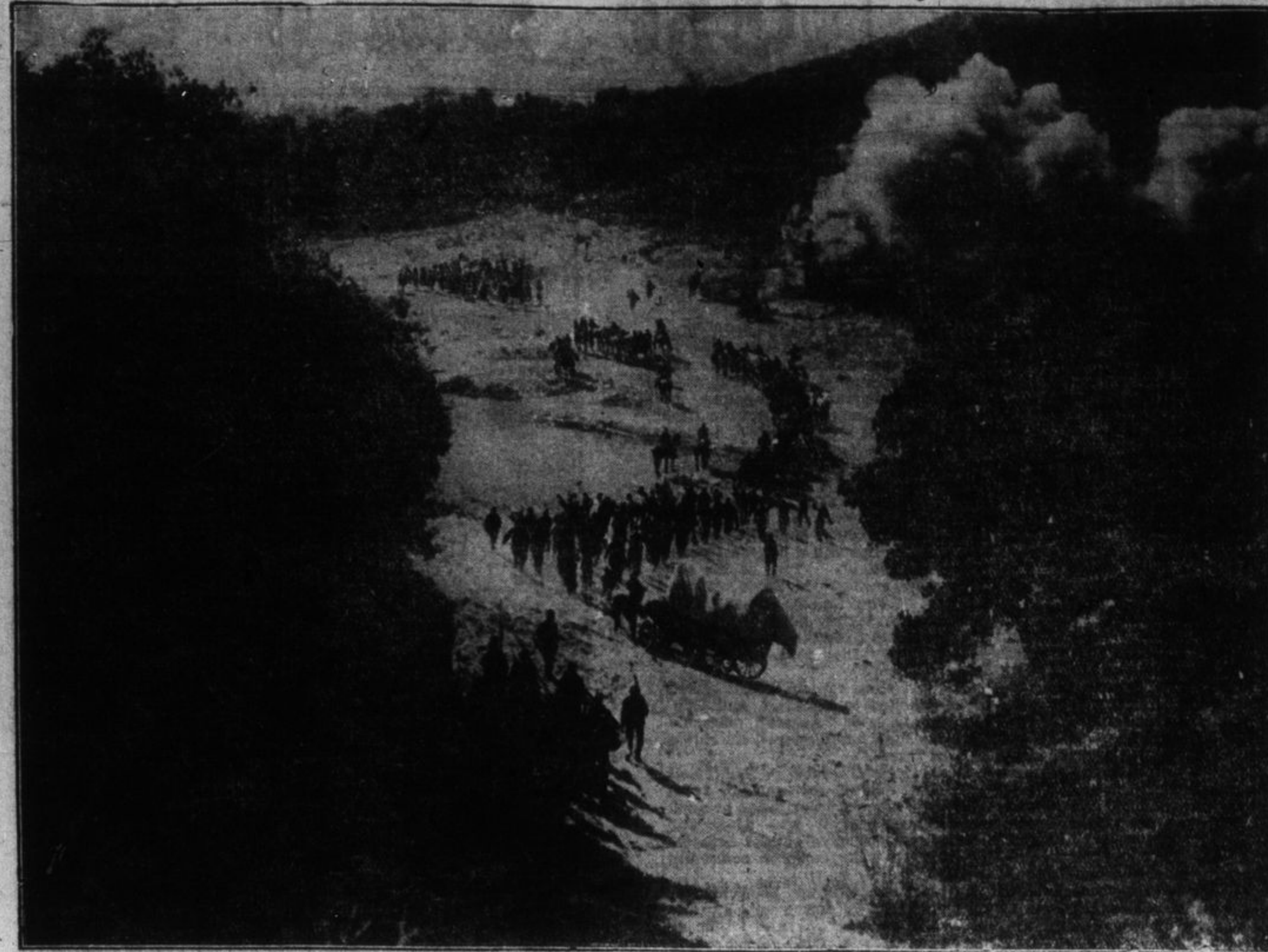
These accounts were ordered to be paid:

Light, Heat & Power.	
Dominion Government	\$67.20
Pay list ending Feb. 26	1,117.54
Canadian General Electric Co.	492.60
McKelvey & Birch	209.48
R. Crawford	1.50
The Jackson Press	29.25
Simmons Bros.	9.40
P. Walsh	2.40
Treadgold Sporting Goods Co.	.50
Porritt Garage Co.	8.75
Factory Products Limited	74.56
Angrove Bros.	1.00
C. Donoghue	9.00
W. B. Dalton & Sons, Limited	5.02
W. A. Mitchell	31.25
Canadian General Electric Co., Ltd.	420.80
Grand Trunk Railway	4.92
Tallman Brass & Metal Co.	4.94
The Packard Electric Co.	80.00
Hydro-Electric Power Com-	

mission	17.97
New England Restaurant	2.30
Sundries	18.70
T. J. Rigney	18.00
Mayor A. W. Richardson	18.00
D. J. Millan	.25
	\$2,640.73

Water Department.	
Pay list ending Feb. 26	192.24
R. Crawford	8.25
M. J. Dolan	.40
The Freeman Press	19.50
The Jackson Press	4.50
Light department	4.18
McKelvey & Birch	19.94
L. W. Murphy	1.20
John Olsen	10.82
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Sleepytime Tales

MOTHER CAT'S TROUBLES.

Alice had a beautiful cat, with fur just as smooth and sleek as could be and wonderful mottled stripes all down her back which made her admired all over the neighborhood. One morning when Alice went to give her her breakfast, the cat was fondling and caressing six fluffy kittens and she was so afraid that someone would do them harm, she would hardly let even Alice come near them.

So Alice ran to her mother and told her the cat had some lovely kittens and she wanted to keep all of them. "I don't know," said her mother. "We will have to wait until Father comes home and let him decide what to do with so many cats."

When Father came home he listened to the pleadings of Alice but finally persuaded her that it would be much nicer to keep only two of them and that she could choose what ones she liked best. They all went out to the shed to see the kittens and while Alice was choosing what ones to keep, her father was talking

about how to get rid of the rest of them.

The next morning he went to the shed to take away the kittens that were not to be kept, but when he arrived he could not find the kittens the mother cat hid. He hunted and hunted but could not discover where the cat had taken the little ones.

It was more than three days before they were found way up in the hay mow nestled down in the soft warm hay. When Father started to take them away the old cat spit and clawed at him and he decided to wait another day.

The next day, when he went to get the kittens, they had disappeared again and he couldn't find them for a week. Alice said she just knew the old cat heard them planning to do away with some of her children and was bound to keep all of them.

"Ah, right," said Father, "if both you and the cat want so much to keep the six, we will try it and see if they make much trouble." He turned out that they were the best behaved little kittens you ever saw and never made a bit of trouble, so Alice has six cats now instead of one.

"Low Cost of Living" Menu

Menu for Wednesday	
BREAKFAST	
Bananas with Cream	
Creamed Salt Pork	
Baked Potatoes	
Buttermilk Johnnycake	
Coffee	
LUNCHEON	
Creamed Oyster Soup	
Dutch Toast	
Jelly	
Apple Sauce	
Cake	
DINNER	
Tomato Soup	
Hot Pot	
Baked Potatoes	
Cheese Croquettes	
Spinach Salad	
Paradise Pudding	

tablespoon of butter, add the same of flour and stir until smooth. Turn out two cups of milk, and half a pint of chopped oysters. Boil five minutes and add half a cup of cream.

Dutch Toast—Mix two cups of milk, a quarter of a cup of sugar, the grated rind of a lemon, and boil two minutes. Dip slices of toast in the mixture, then in beaten egg and fry brown on both sides. Sprinkle with powdered sugar and cinnamon.

HOT POT—Cut in small pieces two pounds of beef and five slices of fat salt pork. Dredge with flour and sear in a pan. Flour a bean pot and place a layer of meat, then a layer of uncooked rice, some sliced onion, a tablespoon of chopped celery, the same of chopped sweet peppers, and season well. Continue until the meat is all used and a cup of rice. Cover with water and bake in a slow oven three or four hours.

Cheese Croquettes—Beat the whites of two eggs to a stiff froth, add a cup of grated cheese, a teaspoon of Worcestershire sauce and flour enough to shape. Form into croquettes and fry in hot fat.

Paradise Pudding—Beat the yolks of the eggs left from the croquettes and add one more egg. Mix with half a cup of bread crumbs, three chopped apples, half a cup of currents, the grated rind and juice of a lemon, and a little nutmeg. Steam two hours.

LUNCHEON
Cream of Oyster Soup—Melt a

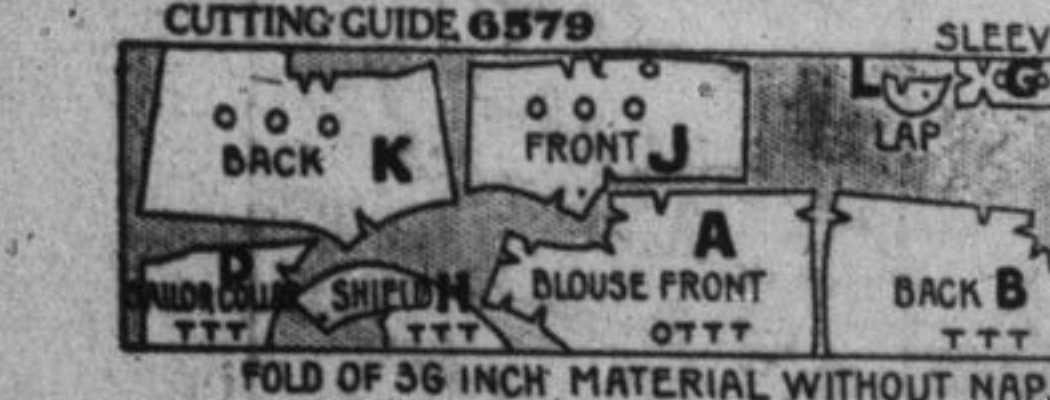
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PASSING OF THE 34TH.

(Continued from page 9.)

They were all men who had joined at the point of duty, and nearly all, like their Major, at considerable sacrifice. One of the officers of the 34th expressed the depth of his own sincerity in joining when he said, "There are few of us who have lived up to their ideals. This is my chance to square myself with God." Both men and officers took their standards from their Major; their were no triflers in the 34th.

Fair dealing and affection are the two words which best express the attitude of Major Massie to those placed under him. He never made a promise to the least important of his recruits which he did not fulfill amply. He was not a man to say much, but his actions spoke loudly. The story is told of how, when some of his men who had been inoculated, were having a bad time, he did not sleep a wink, but spent the night in visiting and encouraging them. His hand dived deeply into his own pocket when military routine did not act with sufficient speed in supplying necessities and comforts. It was due to his insistence that the notorious new building, now known as the Rideau Barracks, was transformed into quarters for the 34th.

The large hearted 34th has changed its name and sailed overseas to do its difficult duty; it passed out singing, leaving a nucleus of two hundred men behind, now known as the 53rd Battery, to carry on its high traditions for keeness and courage.

Good luck go with the 34th and their beloved Major; may they come back singing, when the war is ended. The best that we can wish for them and for Canada is that the 53rd may fall heir to the inspiration by their noble enthusiasm.

Pine Hill Caval Club.

The Pine Hill Caval Club met at the parsonage on Wednesday evening, March 1st, there were thirty members and ten visitors present. The following officers were elected for the month: President, George Woods; vice-president, Mary Gordon; secretary, Anna Keeler; treasurer, Preston Woods; pianist, Norma Trotter; editors of Caval record, Jewel Keeler and Isobell Greenlees; governors, Rev. C. W. Hollingsworth, Kenneth Weir and Hector Hughes. After the business meeting a pleasant surprise was given to those present, when Mrs. Hollingsworth invited them into the dining room where a dainty tea was served. Afterwards the time was spent in games, music and singing until midnight, when the club broke up by singing "God Save The King," and moving a vote of thanks to their kind host and hostess, Rev. C. W. and Mrs. Hollingsworth.

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