

of his expenses and receipts at the request of George Hammond and explained that the factory was getting into a very bad state of repair while help was going to be scarcer and consequently much dearer next year so that he found he could not make butter for three cents a lb as he has been doing and asked for a raise of half a cent. After hearing this explanation and also that Lou had been offered good big wages to go and make butter for other fellows no one demurred in giving the three and a half cents as it was resolved to give it to him. There was another speaker there from Guelph or some place Mr. Pearson I think his name was and I think represented the Dairyman's Association. and he gave us a nice address on the care of cream and the production of it. I'd heard it or read it all before more than once but still it was interesting. After the meeting I went up stairs to see the soldiers' club room, it was very nicely furnished and decorated and looked very comfortable, most of the boys were out on their rants. march. Lieut Hammond and three others were playing cards up there and another one over in the corner running a phonograph. I then went up and got my hair cut and went over to the Post Office to see when May Berry would be ready to go to the dance to-night, she promised to go but when I went over looked

out and said she was too tired so I didn't urge her very much but I heard after wards that she went to Simcoe to-night with Cloas so if that's the case I'm through with her. I stopped in at Auntie's on my way home and Mrs. & Mrs. Casey, Bawolby and Eva were just leaving. Just as I got home Dad was coming out in the cutter to go down and bring Auntie over to stay all night with the babies so I went down instead. To-night Dad, Eva and I went to the country dance in the town hall. it was got up by George Croshie, Charlie Long and Sid M. Birds and there was certainly a crowd there. I didn't get there till about eleven as I went over to see May for a little while, but as it didn't break up till about half past four I was in lots of time to have some fun. I didn't dance anything much but square dances but it was mostly square dances and I didn't miss many. There was such a crowd that they could hardly dance a round dance. There were a few townspeople there including Loty Smith, the R. M. Gaylor's, the Si. Butters, the Carl Coleman's, Mrs. Lindah, Mrs. Shiebler and a few others and every body from the country. Kelly was there all dabbled up in his uniform, he is still teaching school but starts to drill on the first of March. Dad and Eva didn't stay as long as they might have but I was there as long as my and the town clock