the industry. Whenever we went to Madison, we could go and see him at any time, and he was always ready and willing to cooperate with us in every way. That gentleman is Mr. Charles Ebert, who was a member of the assembly, and on the agriculture committee. We have always found him most cooperative.

(Appause.)

MR. EBERT: Mr. Chairman, friends: As you know, I ran second best in the last election, so I will not be at the next legislative session; but I was rather impressed while I was down there. I was on the agriculture committee throughout the four years I was there. That committee considered all problems in the cheese industry as well as those relating to other phases of agriculture. I must say I was always favorably impressed with the way your interests were taken care of by your officers. I think they did a swell job and they deserve your commendation. I thank you.

PRES. KOPTIZKE: Thank you, Charley. I wasn't going to mention that he ran second best, but I can't understand it. We woke up the next morning, and I learned that he had been defeated.

Now I would like to call on the chairman of the nominations committee.

HANS SCHEIDIGGER, Chairman of the Nominating Committee: We hope that we found the right type of names for you to vote on for the year 1949.

PRES. KOPTIZKE: I think you should read the nominations you have there, and then we will give the group an opportunity to make such nominations as they desire from the floor.

MR. SCHEIDIGGER: Your nominating committee submits the following names for the respective offices:

President—Mr. Leonard Kopitzke  
Vice-President—Mr. C. C. Brick  
Treasurer—Mr. George E. Hernke  
Secretary—Mr. A. H. Graf  
Director to succeed E. E. Marten (3 years).  
  Lloyd Dickrell  
  Emil Marten  
Director to succeed Emil Hanson (3 years).  
  Emil Hanson  
  Marse Wegner
Director to succeed Harry Smith (2 years).
    Arnold Fuhrmann
    Arthur H. Woldt

PRES. KOPITZKE: There is no opposition for president, but I
would welcome some young fellow that would take over.

(Pres. Kopitzke turns the gavel over to Vice-President Brick.)

MR. BRICK: I would like to tell Mr. Kopitzke that he better
keep his mouth shut.

MR. GRAINGER: I believe Len. should continue. There are
important things coming up and we need him.

MR. KOPITZKE: Thanks, but I am getting old.

MR. GRAINGER: I second the nomination of Mr. Kopitzke for
president and move that the nominations be closed.

MR. BRICK: There is a motion to close the nominations for
president. Those in favor will signify by saying aye. Opposed, no.
The motion is carried.

MR. BRICK: A motion is now in order to suspend the rules
and cast a unanimous ballot for Mr. Koptizke.

On motion duly made, seconded and carried, the rules were
suspended and the secretary instructed to cast a unanimous vote for
the re-election of Mr. Kopitzke as president of the association.

MR. KOPITZKE: Thank you, gentlemen.

(Appause.)

(Mr. Kopitzke returns to the chair.)

PRES. KOPITZKE: Your vice-president is next. We have
one nominee for the office. Any further nominations Hearing
none, a motion is in order to close the nominations.

On motion duly made, seconded and carried, the nominations
for vice-president were closed.

PRES. KOPITZKE: A further motion is now in order to sus-
pend the rules and instruct the secretary to cast a unanimous ballot
for Mr. Brick.

On motion duly made, seconded and carried, the rules were
suspended and the secretary instructed to cast a unanimous vote for
the re-election of Mr. Brick as vice-president. The ballot was so cast.

PRES. KOPITZKE: We have one nominee for treasurer, Mr. Hernke. Further nominations for that office?

On motion duly made, seconded and carried, the nominations for treasurer were closed.

PRES. KOPITZKE: A motion is in order to suspend the rules and cast a unanimous ballot for the election of Mr. Hernke as treasurer.

On motion duly made, seconded and carried, the rules were suspended, and Mr. Hernke was unanimously re-elected treasurer.

PRES. KOPITZKE: We have one nominee for secretary, A. H. Graf. Further nominations?

On motion duly made, seconded and carried, the nominations for the office of secretary were closed.

PRES. KOPITZKE: A motion to suspend the rules and instruct the secretary to cast a unanimous vote for the re-election of Mr. Graf is now in order.

On motion duly made, seconded and carried, the rules were suspended and the executive secretary instructed to cast a unanimous ballot for the re-election of A. H. Graf, secretary. The ballot was so cast.

PRES. KOPITZKE: We have two nominees for the office of director to succeed E. W. Marten. This is for a three year term. The nominees are Lloyd Dickrell and Emil Marten.

We also have two nominees for the office of director to succeed Emil Hanson. This is also for a 3 year term. The nominees are Emil Hanson and Marse Wegner.

For the office of director to succeed Harry Smith, which is for a two year term, we have two nominees, Arnold Fuhrmann and Arthur Woldt.

Nominations are now in order from the floor. Further nominations? Hearing none, a motion is in order to close the nominations.

On motion duly made, seconded and carried, the nominations for the office of director were closed.
PRES. KOPITZKE: I will appoint a couple of tellers: John Fischer, Harlan Watt, Mr. Herman and Mr. Zillmer, will you please act as tellers? (Tellers come forward and secure ballots for distribution.)

PRES. KOPITZKE: While they are voting, Mr. Mulloy has an announcement on the bowling party.

MR. MULLOY: I would like to have you draw your tickets for bowling, and when you draw, you are going to bowl with 4 other fellows. The idea is to have a little fun and a good mixer, to get acquainted with those you have not met before. We will have prizes for the high team, etc., but we have the drawing to prevent the possibility of five good men getting together and cleaning us up. I bowled 90 Sunday. Don’t let anybody trade with you. Hang on to your own number and we will have a lot more fun fellows. Just take your number. You know what time you bowl, either 7:30 or 9:00. When you get to the alley, I will be there to touch your pocketbooks a bit.

PRES. KOPITZKE: Ready to pick up the ballots?

There will be a drawing of prizes very shortly. Before that, I would like to see how the group feels about the next year’s convention site. As you know, we have not had the room to have the machinery exhibit; and when I was working up in the northern area, the boys said, “Well, if it’s going to be in Fond du Lac, we will be there.” The cheese makers wanted it in Fond du Lac, but I see that some are here and some are not, and I certainly would like to see you fellows vote and direct us where you want to have the next convention. We have been criticized plenty, and I would like to hear from you. (The discussion that followed is omitted.)

VOICE: I think it would be a good idea to leave it to you officers to decide where to hold the next convention. I so move.

PRES. KOPITZKE: Thank you, but I want to hear from some of you. If you want to go back to Milwaukee, it won’t be hard for the officers to make up their mind, but if you want a convention for the cheese makers, we can have it most any place. Wisconsin Rapids is a very good central location, but lacks in hotel accommodations. They would have to go to Marshfield or Stevens Point. We have had conventions in Sheboygan. There too, they have limited hotel accommodations. If you want to leave it to the officers, that is all right; but if you have a preference, or want to go to Milwaukee, that is O.K. with me.
MR. RAASCH: I second the motion. I believe that the people here should express themselves, because we had it in Milwaukee last year, and the report was that we had the biggest crowd that we ever had.

PRES. KOPITZKE: It has been moved and seconded that we hold it in abeyance until the regional association meeting is called. I think it is a good suggestion. Are you ready for the question? (Question called for.) All in favor will say aye. Contrary, no. The motion is carried.

We will now have the drawing for the Door Prizes. (The following prizes were awarded to the individuals whose names were drawn by the reporter.)

1st—$5.00 awarded to Mr. Otto Burrow, Fremont, Wis.

2nd—$5.00 awarded to Mr. Arnold Thuli, Blue Mounds, Wis.

3rd—Two steak dinners, donated by Stetzen’s Cafe, awarded to Mr. Reinhold Pipping, Glenbeulah, Wis.

4th—A fifth of Seagrams, donated by Becker’s Tavern, awarded to Frank P. Baker, St. Cloud, Wis.

PRES. KOPITZKE: Tomorrow at 1:30 P. M. we are going to award some door prizes. They will be awarded at 1:30, and not 1:35. You have to be here to pick them up.

We are now ready to announce the results of the balloting. Seventy-nine votes were cast.

For director to succeed E. W. Marten (3 years)
Emil Marten ...........................................71
Lloyd Dickrell ...........................................7

For director to succeed Emil Hanson (3 years)
Emil Hanson ...........................................71
Marse Wegner ...........................................6

For director to succeed Harry Smith (2 years)
Art Woldt .............................................48
Harold Fuhrman .......................................12

Mr. Marten, Mr. Hanson and Mr. Woldt were declared elected as directors for the respective terms.

On motion duly made, seconded and carried, the meeting adjourned.

(Adjournment thereupon taken.)