REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

IRVING SMITH, Chairman.

Your finance committee are pleased to report that we have gone over the books and accounts of the secretary and treasurer and find same to be in good form and correct. We wish, however, to mention a few points where we think some improvement may be made, and we have brought before the executive board the fact that quite a number of the expense bills turned in by members for attending meetings, visiting trial orchards, etc., are not sufficiently itemized. At our recommendation that body promptly passed an order instructing the secretary to demand itemized bills of all parties having claims against the society.

In our work we have examined every bill, gone over every addition and have found nothing to give the slightest ground for suspicion. We do therefore, heartily commend the work of the executive officers of the society.

Respectfully submitted,

IRVING C. SMITH.
J. J. MENN.
M. V. SPERBECK.
Finance Committee.

On motion, the report of the finance committee was accepted as read and ordered placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Toole, the report of the treasurer and the financial report of the secretary were accepted.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The President appointed the following nominating committee to make selections for the executive committee: Messrs. W. H. Hanchett, D. E. Bingham and H. Melcher.

The President appointed as tellers Messrs. Bingham and Johnson.

Nominations for president being declared in order, Mr. Tip-lady nominated Mr. R. J. Coe and Mr. Philips nominated Mr. George J. Kellogg.

It was moved by Mr. Johnson that the first ballot be made an informal ballot. Mr. Riegel moved as a substitute that the first ballot be a formal ballot. A rising vote was taken and the substitute carried, ayes 37; noes 20.