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on the Occasion of the Celebration of the

ACTON FAIR

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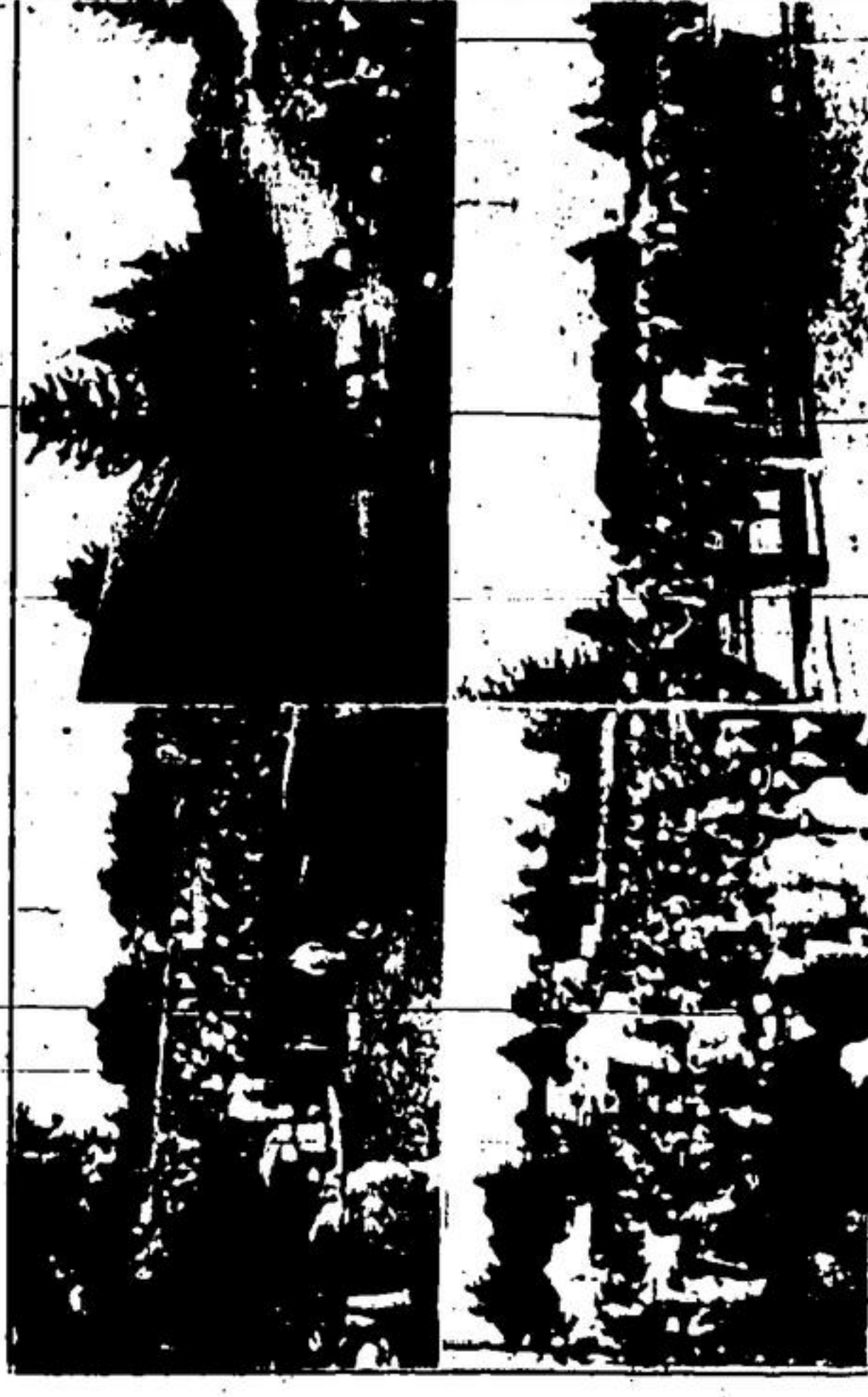
Focus on Fair Friday, Saturday, Sept. 20-21

For half a century now, Acton Agricultural Society has been once a year directing the focus of the countryside on produce, livestock and crafts. Acton's love for the fair has turned into a gala event, which switched during the course of its history from mid-week to weekend.

This year the society proudly marks its golden anniversary with a special anniversary parade, special displays, black top hats for the enthusiastic directors, plus all the standard classes and competitions that are traditional at a fair — and the highest prize money ever.

Anniversary Committee
A special committee was named this year to plan this half-century edition of the fair. Chairman was R. L. Davidson (who has also been superintendent of the hall since 1947 when he took over from Cramer Woodhall) and the committee are Mrs. Don Matthews, Mrs. Ralph Denny, Mrs. C. W. Swackhamer, J. A. Robinson, Mac Sprowl, John Hollins, Nino Braida, Jack Marshall, William Thompson and

publicity, banners, special exhibits, etc.
Antique farm implements will be shown outside, and inside



Parade, Races, Cattle Exhibits, Midway at '37 Fair

Here's What's Happening Nifty Black Toppers For Directors of Fair

The following is an outline of the program for Acton's 50th anniversary fair, Friday, September 20 and Saturday, September 21. These are just the highlights. Events will be held throughout the park and in the community centre. The Friday evening show will take place on a platform on the ice surface in the arena.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20
—9:00 a.m.—11:30—Placing Hall Exhibits, Poultry and Pet Stock.
—11:30 a.m.—Fair exhibits and concessions in operation. Acton Citizens' Band plays in arena.
—1:00 p.m.—Program featuring Cliff McKay and the Holiday Ranch Gang. TV and Radio favourable. Old Time Fiddlers Competition, 1st, \$25.00; 2nd, \$15.00; 3rd, \$10.00; 4th, \$5.00. Also prizes for oldest, youngest and novelty fiddlers. Crowning of Mrs. Acton Fair by Mayor Les Dubs.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21
—12:30 p.m.—Judging of Livestock Classes.
—1:00 p.m.—Parade led by the Acton Citizens' Band to the Fair Grounds.

Prizes—
Flour—15.00, 12.00, 10.00, 5.00, 5.00
Dill Buggies—2.00, 1.00, 50¢, 50¢
Bucksies—2.00, 1.00, 50¢, 50¢
Trucksies—2.00, 1.00, 50¢, 50¢
—2:00 p.m.—Opening of Fair, Hallon County Warden C. A. Martin, Vince Mountford, M.C.
—The Canadiana Square Dancers — TV favorites.
—Livestock Judging.
—Presentation of trophies.
—Parade of prize-winning livestock.
—9:00 p.m.—Fair Night Dance in the Community Centre.
—Lucky Draw for—1st, Occasional Chair; 2nd, Transistor Radio; 3rd, Hair Dryer.

Mrs. R. L. Davidson has a display of old clothes in the hall.
The parade will echo the half-century theme; floats will be decorated with an eye to the past.
The parade has an unusually large number of entries for this special year.

For the children, there'll be the popular classes for decorated doll's buggies, bites and tribles.

New Section for Crafts
A whole new section has been added to the prize list for the 50th anniversary. Entries for prizes will be articles at least 50 years old including the best antique quilt, pair of pillow shams, best hooked rug, collection of five antique dishes, dressed doll and sampler.

In the same section, recipes of 50 years ago must be used for the round loaf of bread, ammonia cookies, ginger cookies, pickled eggs, home-made butter and home-made soap.

Choose Queens

This is the first time in the 50 years that a Queen will reign over the fair (and let's hope that's all that reigns). Over 20 lovely district girls entered for an array of prizes. Her robes, banner and crown have all been donated and the contest will likely be repeated. Dave Munce donated the robe, Acton Creamery the banner and Missales Dairy the crown. Acton Jersey Dairy donates her plaque and there are many other attractive prizes.

The midway will be excellent; King Shows has guaranteed a minimum of 12 rides — and there's a stiff penalty clause in the agreement. There'll be adult and children's rides for the gala weekend.

The poultry barn has been completely renovated; the job was begun for last year's fair but has just been completed. There's new sliding all the way round now.

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Special Issue

This special section of the Free Press which is to be printed out at the fair will give the complements of this local paper focusing attention on the 50th anniversary fair in words, pictures and advertisements. Don't miss the detailed history of 50 years, the biographies of all the presidents and secretaries — inventors during the years, the detailed program of special events, including old programs and attractive photographs. They are available from advertising merchants and bookstores.

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