

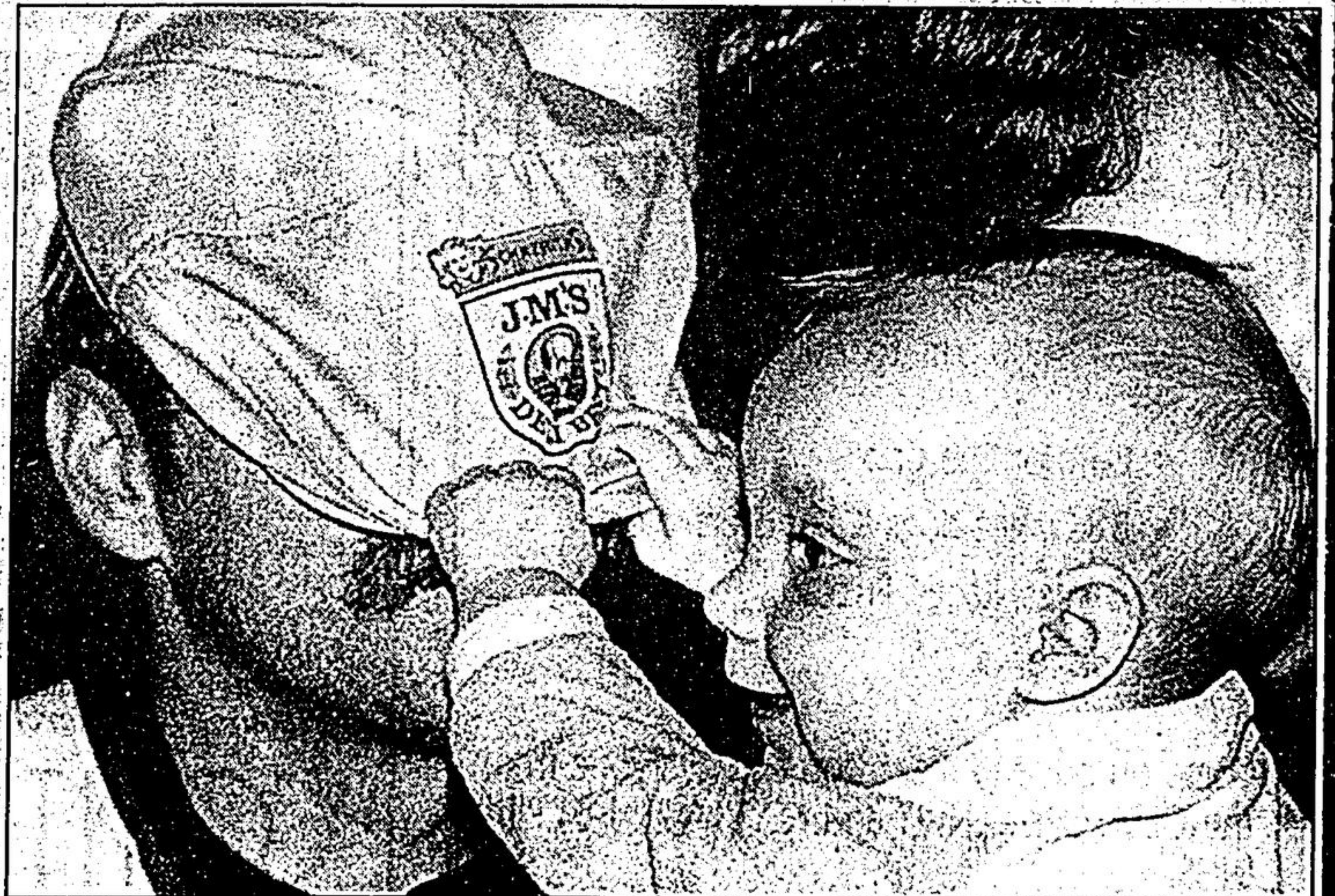
Country singers put to the test



Eight local artists took to the stage at Markham Fairgrounds last Sunday to compete for a spot on stage with the Diamond Reo Band and the Leahy Family at the Fair's Western Show Friday, Oct. 3. In the left picture (above), Markham's Helen Lewis

does her country best as does Stouffville's Claudette Tremblay (above right) in the preliminary competition. Those chosen to appear at the Fair's Western Show were Stouffville's Thomas Powell and Julie Wallace and Mississauga's Lisa Marie Gougen.

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Homegrown country boy Ken Layton of Box Grove belts out his best complete with down-home straw hat and acoustic guitar while Markham's Ken

Snowball gets the wool pulled over his eyes by daughter Lynsey at the event.