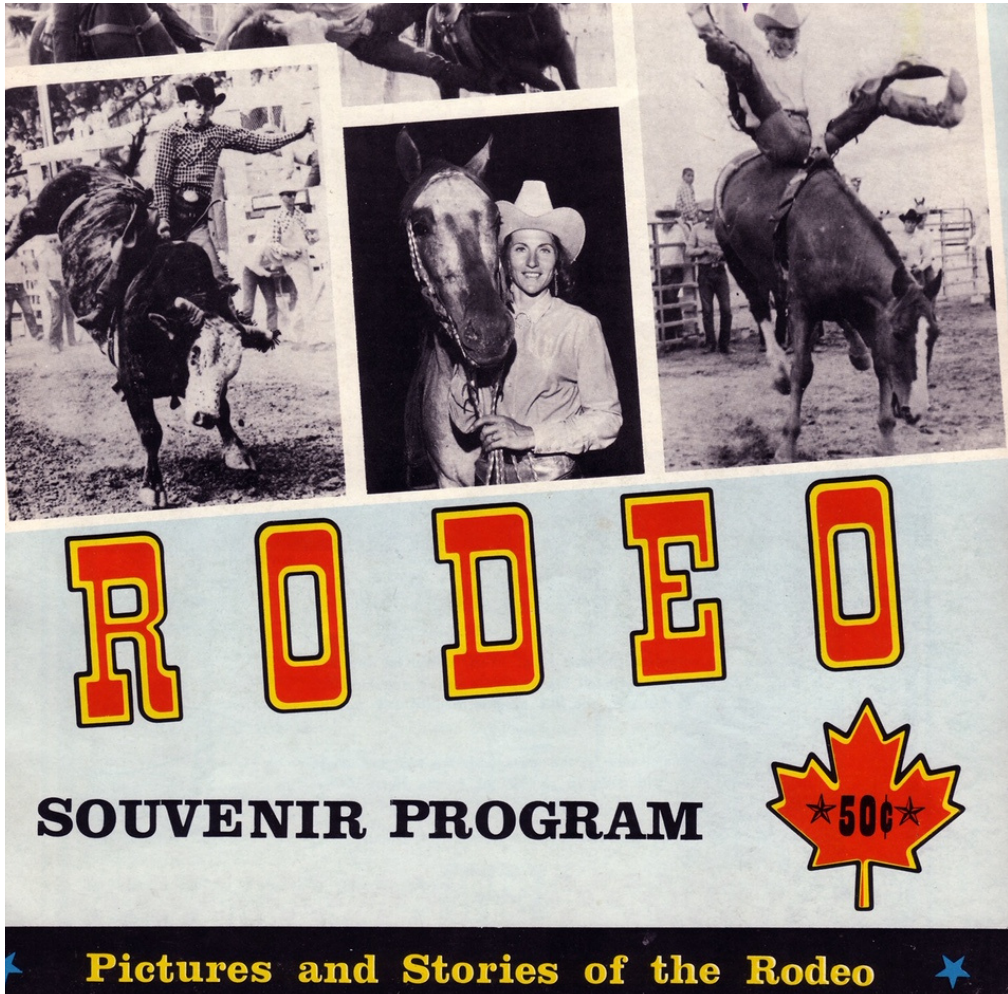




CELEBRATING OUR PAST!



Fall is slipping quickly out of our grasp. We still remember the fairs, which made an indelible mark on our lives. Through shared experiences with family or friends, the food you wait all year for, the joy of finally winning an exhibition class that you had wanted to for some time, or simply the atmosphere of crowds of people all coming together to share this one event.

Fairs have many ways of building community; we learn from one another and encourage new people to join in and become addicted to creating agricultural experiences. For the past 175 years, those involved in the OAAS have devoted their time to bring our vision to life.

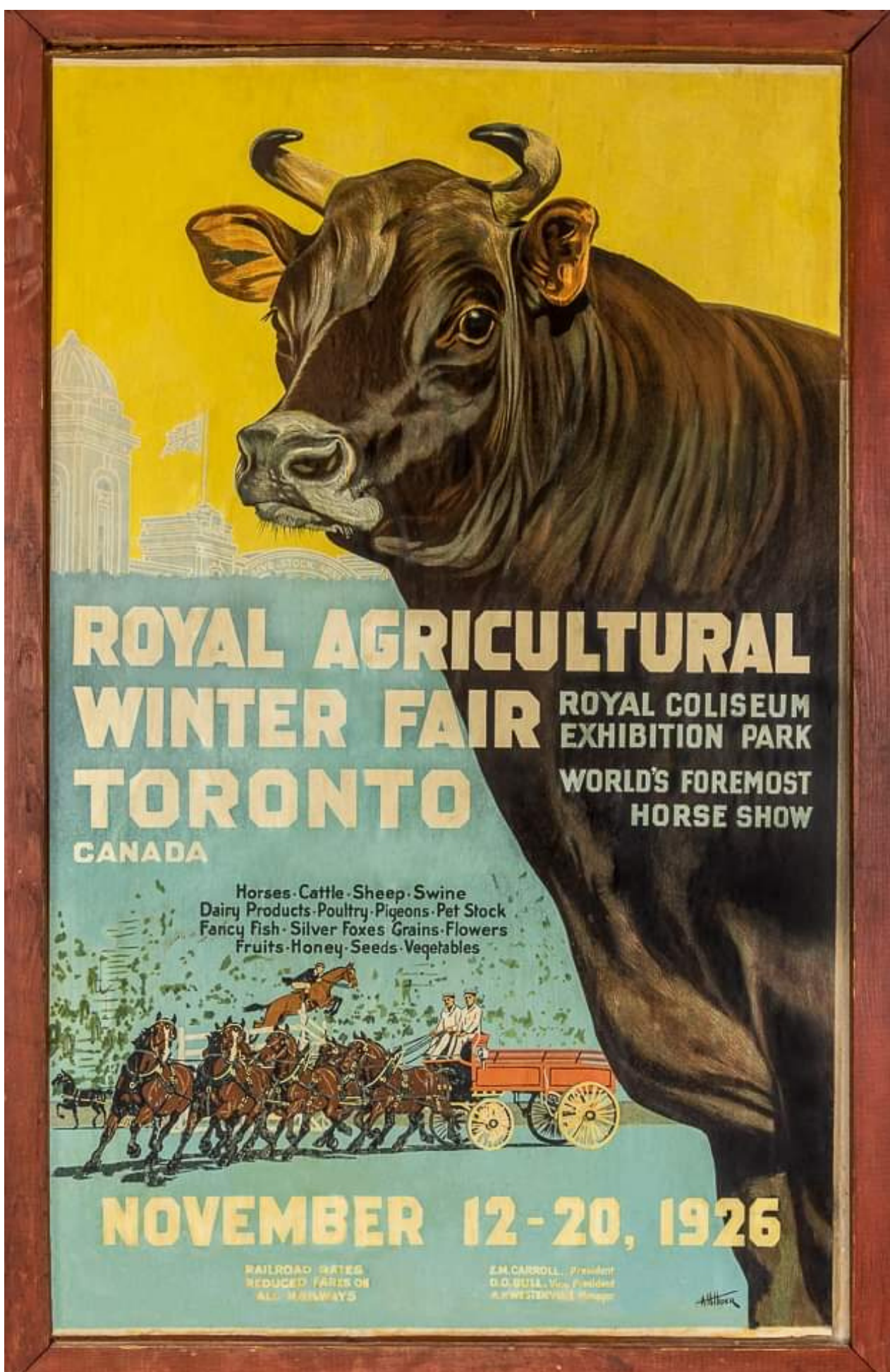


As we celebrate 175 years as an organization, we would like to display a few recipes from years ago, possibly from old fair recipe books, as a tribute to the importance of supplying local food over the years. **LAST CALL** to send us a photo of one or two recipes and the cover from your well-used fair recipe books to be put on our website.



Competition has always been the centre of the fair experience, and in celebration, we have two competitions. The first asks each Ag Society to send Kathryn a JPEG or PDF image (not a print photo - we changed this to an electronic image) of "what best illustrates your Ag Society."

The second is for the Districts to send in a 60-second video promoting themselves; make sure you identify your District. One District has already submitted their video to Vince, and several Societies have sent in their images to Kathryn. The absolute **DEADLINE** is December 1, for submissions to be in Vince or Kathryn's hands on that date at the latest.



Everyone likes to look back at images of the past, and we ask you to share past pictures of your fair or early posters advertising your fair. As well, we would appreciate shortened versions of your history. We will put these valuable historical items on the OAAAS website.

175th Anniversary Competitions: [**CLICK HERE!**](#)

SOCIETIES:

We are asking each Society to send in one electronic photo that best represents its Society. The delegates will choose the winner.

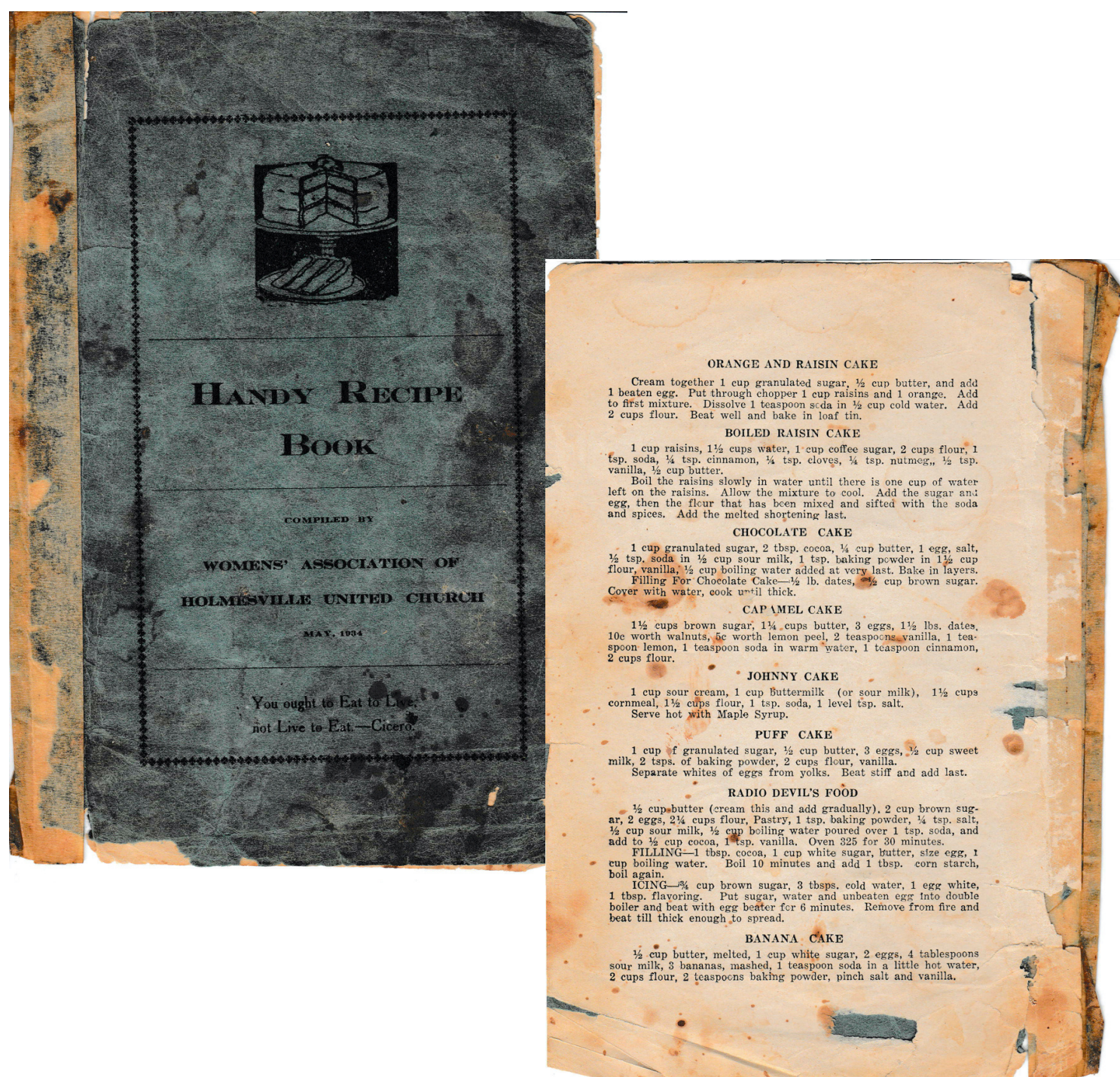
DISTRICTS:

The second competition asks each District to send in a 60-second promotional video for their District. It must contain the name of the District and every Society within the District.

ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED BY DECEMBER 1ST

Be part of the celebration team!
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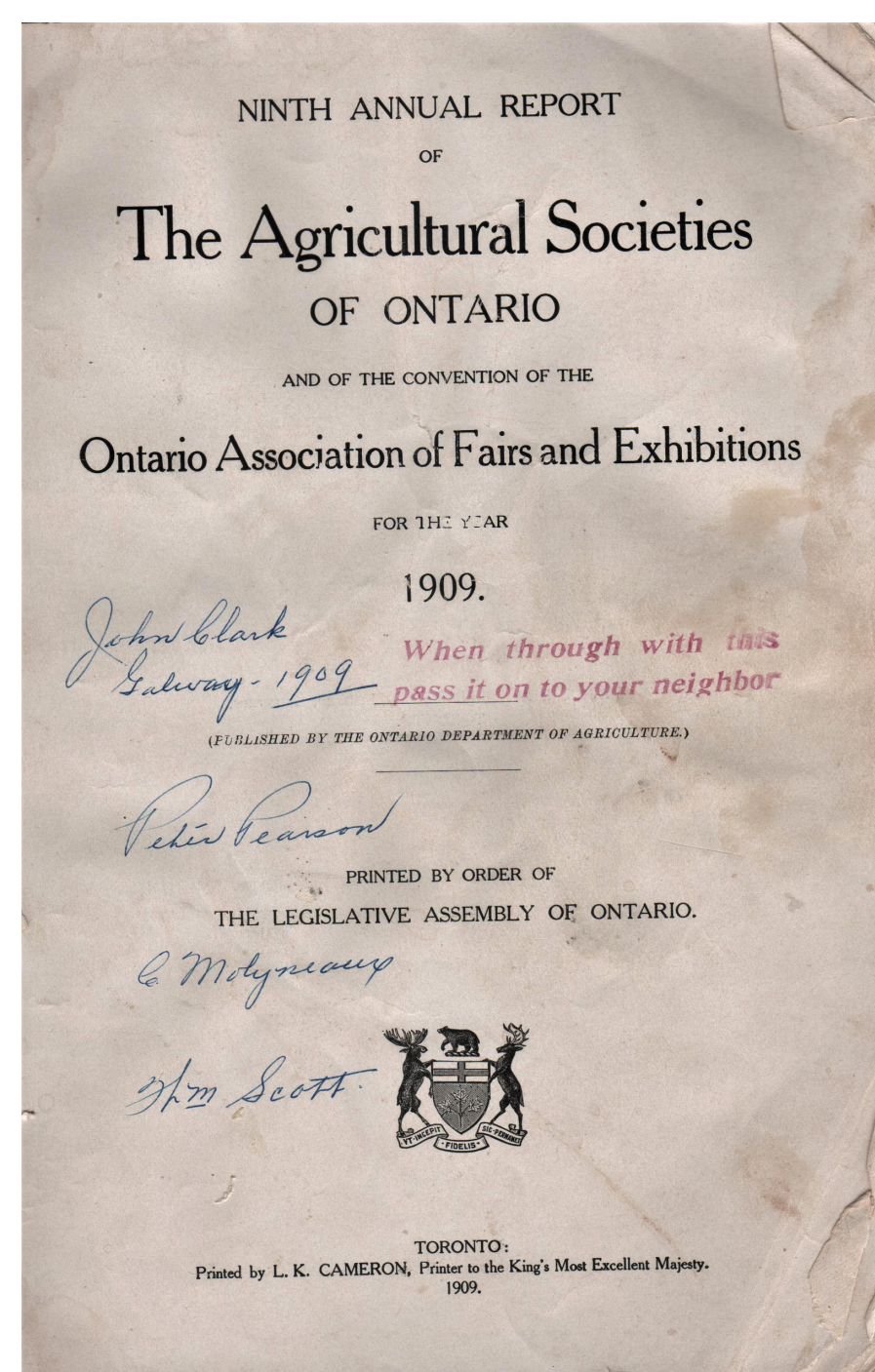
With your safety in mind, we are making everything available virtually. This year there will be no room costs, no travel expenses, and your food will taste homemade. We know you are busy, and now you have the flexibility to enjoy all the perks of the showcases and multiple seminars at a time that works for you. You can also participate in our auction.



Celebrating our 175th year is an excellent excuse for creating a series of snapshots of where our organizations have been and hopefully encourage us to have the same strengths as our forebearers in planning for the future. The legacy we have is absolutely incredible. How many organizations have survived and adapted over 175 years? We are indeed a resilient lot!

We will miss reconnecting with friends we only see at Convention, and we can't wait until we meet again in person, but right now, we are working hard to keep everyone safe. The 2021 experience can be yours for only \$100. Please help us recognize our 175th celebration by participating in this virtual Convention. Join in the festivities and virtual camaraderie at our February Convention.

GONE VIRTUAL



Be part of the celebration team!
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