

# Yodel and away we go — to the rodeo

**BUCK** — The Keystone Rodeo Company galloped into the Buck Saturday for an exhibition of bucking, roping and riding.

Opening ceremonies, one of the more colorful events, were welcomed by the crowd as riders in matching gear and swirling flags galloped through figure eights and formations to thrill the spectators

New animals and old rodeo s. andbys provided excitement for the crowd as the cowboys dusted off their gear and welcomed in the 1980 rodeo season. While the action was planned for the ring, the spectators got a little action of their own.

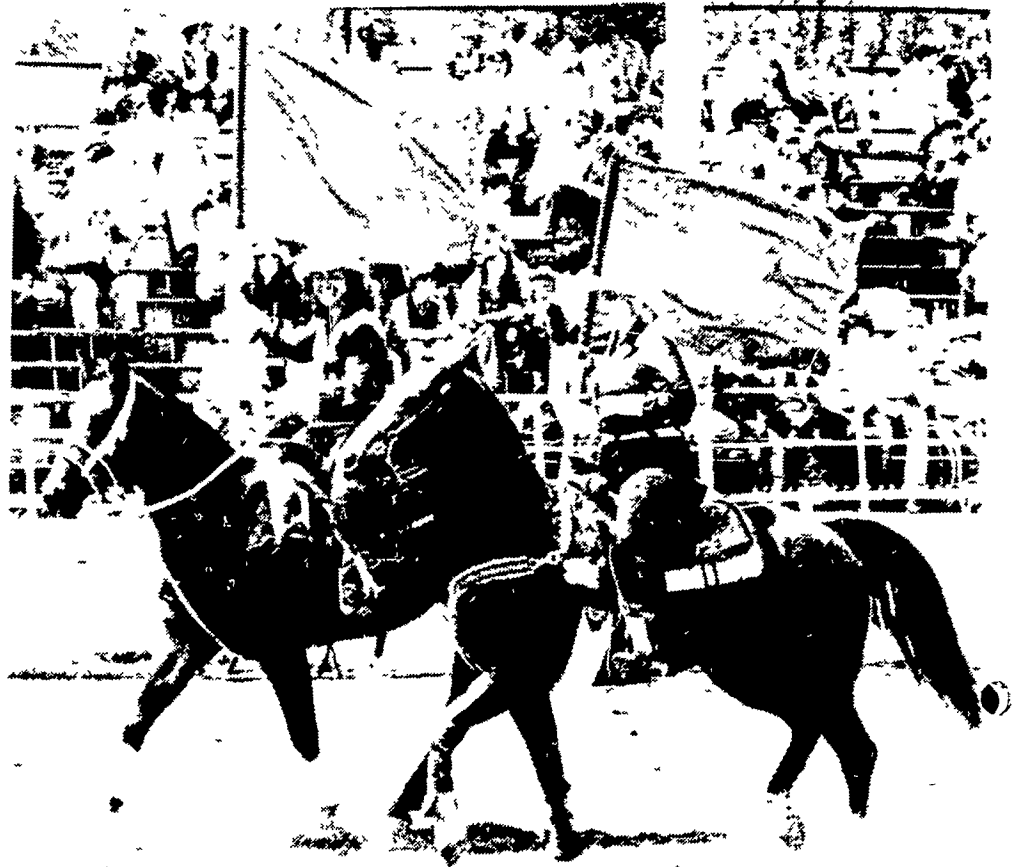
During the bucking horse event, one of the new animals stormed out of the chute, hurled his rider with fury and blew through the gates at the far end of the arena like a tornado. Several spectators were flattened during the mount's exit, and one ambulance attendant was injured. Jan Carson, the girl who rides the Brahma bull, suffered lacerations of the head, and Sam Swearingen a broken foot in the mishap.

After the excitement settled down in the stands, the rodeo continued with Keith Isley, the rodeo clown provided some risky but necessary assistance to riders entangled in gear when they were thrown

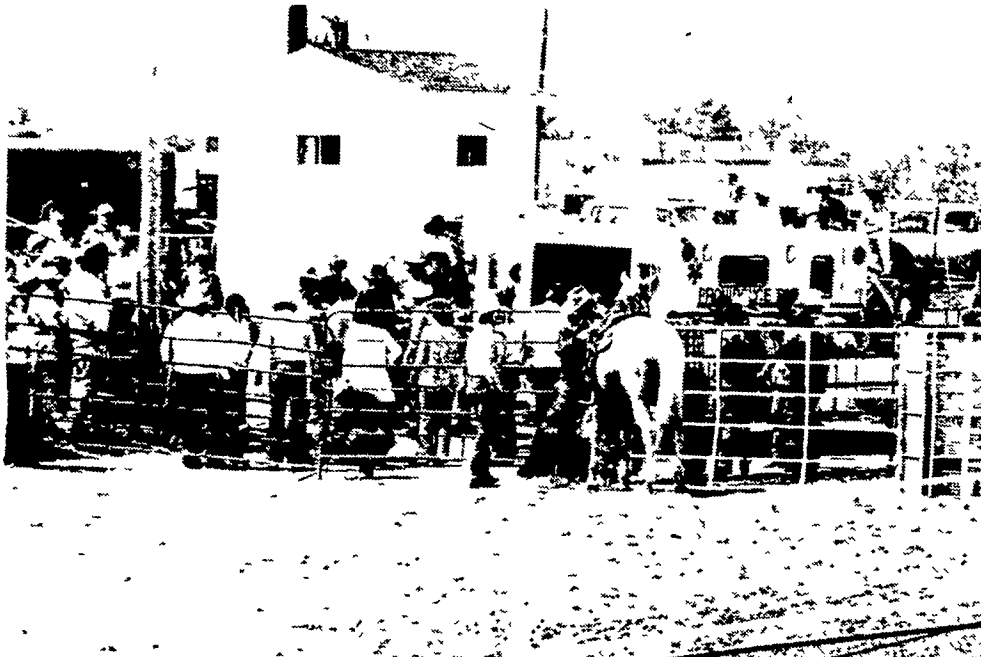
Michael Rhineer Jr. thrilled the youngsters with his trick roping, and a trick riding team rounded out the afternoon's events.



High bucking horses and bulls were the highlight of the afternoon session as the rodeo started its 1980 season. Here the rider sticks with the horse's swell.



One of the more colorful aspects of the rodeo is the opening ceremony where riders and flags around the ring.



One of the bucking horses making its debut on the rodeo circuit crashed through these steel gates and injured spectators, requiring a call for ambulance attendants.



Janice Barrett give the crowd a flashy demonstration of trick riding.



Calf roping is always one of the crowd favorites. Saturday's event proved no exception as riders tried their luck at catching fleetfooted calves



Keith Isley, the rodeo clown, came to the rescue of several riders during the afternoon, then leaped into the stands



Mike Rhineer Jr. made a dramatic entrance to entertain the crowd with trick roping.