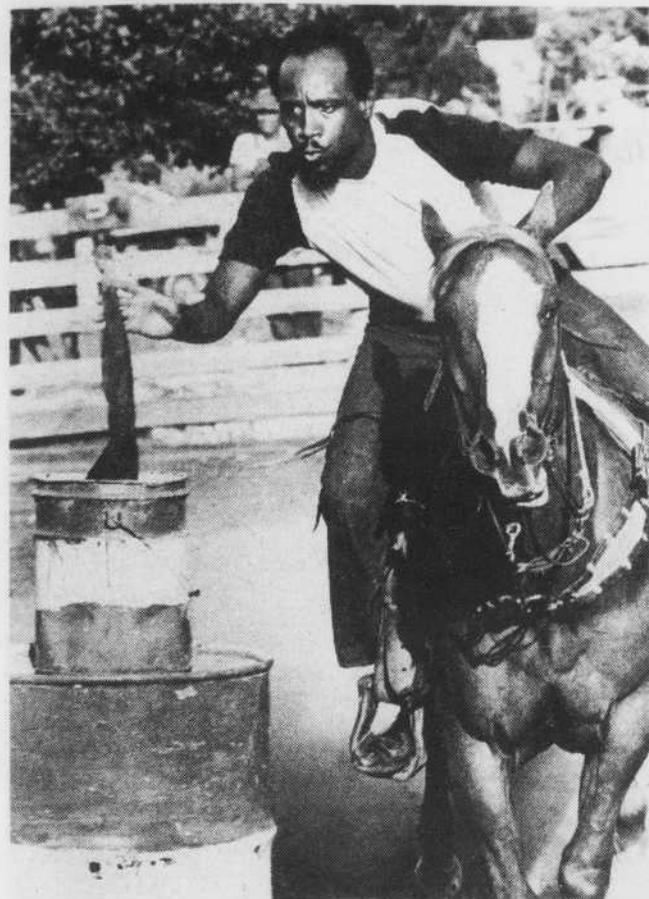


SPORTS



Cedric J. Larkin of St. Louis attended a rodeo in Shreveport, La., where he photographed a rider practicing for a flag-grabbing event. Larkin received a certificate of merit when he entered the picture in Kodak International Newspaper Snapshot Awards. The 1979 edition of the event opens in mid-May.

KINSA

Black men at sports events proved to be winning photography subjects for two picture-takers who entered the 1978 Kodak International Newspaper Snapshot Awards KINSA.

Cedric J. Larkin of St. Louis leaned over a fence during a rodeo in Shreveport La., to photograph a black rider practicing for a flag grabbing event.

And Steven Kardaleff of Lawton, Okla., turned his attention from a grade school football tournament to a black spectator blowing up a balloon.

Each picture-taker won a certificate of merit when he entered his photograph in the competition sponsored by Eastman Kodak Company. Conducted in 1978 by 128 newspapers that held summer photography contests in the United States, Canada and Mexico, KINSA attracted more than 350,000 entries.

The newspapers annually forward winning entries to the final-round competition in Rochester, N.Y., where a blue-ribbon panel of judges select 200 for special merit awards of \$100 each, 10 for honor awards of \$500 each and 10 top winners for trips for two---and spending money to Europe, Mexico, Hawaii and the West Indies.

Anyone wishing to enter KINSA in 1979 and not knowing a participating newspaper can write for details to Contest Activities Section, Corporate Communications Department, Eastman Kodak Company, Rochester, N.Y. 14650.



Good photo subjects at sports events can be found among spectators as well as on the field according to Steven Kardaleff of Lawton, Okla. Kardaleff has a certificate of merit to prove it. He won it in the 1978 Kodak International Newspaper Snapshot Awards. His subject: a young man playing with a balloon while watching a grade school football tournament.

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BASKETBALL

Local fans are in for a high-scoring, exciting basketball game Saturday, January 20 when the Las Vegas Dealers take on the Utah Prospectors at Chaparral High School at 8:15 p.m.

The Prospectors are Leading the Western Basketball Association in scoring with a 114.3 point average. Sudden Sam Smith, a former UNLV and Clark High standout, spearheads the attack and is first in the WBA with 23.8 points per game. The Dealer's Jackie Robinson occupies second place in the league scoring derby, right on the sudden Sam's heels, with a 23.5 per game average.

Utah has on of the most exciting backcourt combinations in basketball, which teams "Sudden Sam" with little Steve Connor. Connor is second in the league in assist's with a 6.2 per game average. He is one of the quickest players in the league, and his shooting accuracy from the floor is over fifty per-cent. Steve also carries quite a bit of the scoring load with a 14.3 average per game.

The interesting match-up will be between the Smith brothers. The Dealer's will counter "Sudden" Sam scoring show with Sam's older brother Willie Smith.

Willie Smith, since coming to the Dealers from the Portland Trailblazers, is averaging 19.9 points a game, has more than four assists per contest, and he is one of the better defensive players around. Willie is the general for Coach Larry Jones passing offense, and he has wstablished himself as one of, if not the top all-around guard in the league.

Utah leads the league in scoring as a team with a 114.3 point average, but they also lead the league in giving up points.

The game should be a high scoring exciting affair, one in which the Dealers have a lot to prove in that they have only been able to defeat the Prospectors once in four outings, but the Dealers have a record tying seven consecutive wins at home and would like to make Utah number eight.

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