CROSSFIRE

Sad Day For The Goose

By LOU CHIESI

The Internal Revenue Service, in its unyielding manner, apparently has refused to accept the Goose Tatum Simplified Course in Accounting.

An item in the newspapers the other day related the news that Mr. Tatum, once the star clown in the brigade of basketball buffoons sponsored by Abe Saperstein, has been sentenced to 90-days in the pokey for not paying his income tax for the years 1956-57.

The Goose, he of the long arms, oversized hands and sad face, will have to uncover a few new tricks to escape the iron bars that make a cage, despite what the poets may say. Tatum originated most of the shenanigans still used by his successors in the pivot for Saperstein's Harlem Globetrotters.

MR. TATUM encountered his difficulties after leaving the Globetrotters to form a basketball troupe of his own. Goose probably disapproved of Saperstein's conventional methods of bookkeeping—he often failed to show up for exhibitions and Abe usually had to surrender more money to get the Goose back. There was method in the ambling madness of basketball's Stepinfetchit.

Tatum left the Trotters in company with the road show's other prime attraction, master dribbler Marques Haynes. The two organized a troupe modeled after the Trotters and set out to become rich.

Among Tatum's first necessary steps in the venture was purchase of the fanciest pink Cadillac available, one with a big trunk.

The trunk was Goose's bank. His associate, Mr. Haynes, soon discovered that the Goose disdained such things as checks, ledgers or records of any sort. Tatum insisted upon a cash settlement from the promoters of his exhibitions and promptly stored the long green and tinkling coins in the trunk. Goose had the only key.

Business was dispersed from the trunk of Goose's car. As long as there was money in the trunk Goose was happy.

The disconcerted Mr. Haynes started his own basketball team the next year, leaving Goose undisputed master of the trunk.

IN TIME, Tatum's troupe disbanded. But the IRS boys remained close at hand, maybe looking for the key to the trunk to see if anything was left.

And now the Goose hangs low in the jailhouse, apparently broke. The newspaper story didn't say what happened to the Caddie.

Alas, these are difficult days for the traveling basketball troupes. Even the famed Trotters encounter difficulty drawing the large crowds which once jammed arenas to watch them cavort. The world has changed too much. Saperstein once had four units traveling the globe. Now there are only two, or is it only one?

Most of the imitators have gone out of business, too.

Saperstein is now busy organizing the new professional basketball league that opens play next season.

Maybe Abe has a job for Tatum after the Goose departs his cubicle. But probably not in the league's bookkeeping department.

IN THE EXCITEMENT surrounding the Detroit Tigers' persistent campaign for the American League lead, one must not overlook the steady rise of the Boston Red Sox under the direction of Mike Higgins.

At last reading, the Red Sox had eased above the .500 mark after a slow season's start. The Boston club may yet challenge the leaders now that Higgins has his team organized.

Higgins' accomplishments thus far definitely rival those of Bob Scheffing as whipsnapper of the Tigers.

The Red Sox were considered a sorry parcel of discards and untried rookies last April. Ted Williams had retired and the Red Sox pitching appeared hopeless. There were several who wondered whether the Red Sox might not be surpassed by even the new teams in the league, the Washington Senators and Los Angeles Angels.

The club faltered in the opening weeks of the season but three weeks ago started to hit consistently behind surprisingly effective pitching.

Vic Wertz continued to hit the home run in the clutch, Jackie Jensen is shaking off the rust of a year's inactivity, and a young mound staff has steadied itself. Higgins has become a strong candidate for manager-of-the-year.

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Wonderful World Out-of-Doors

By JESS MAXWELL
Staff Writer

Michigan's 1961 bass season opened Saturday with big, white, fluffy clouds floating overhead, a slight, warm breeze, and many fishermen on the lakes.

And most fishermen did pretty good. Many Birmingham residents headed for the lakes—not only with fishing rods, but also with water skis and skin diving outfits.

Bill Shaw, owner of Shaw's boat livery on Upper Straits Lake, said that "this will be the best bass season in 17 years."

SHAW REPORTS seeing lots of bass near the shores in the warmer waters. He recommends using night crawlers and minnows in the daytime, and plugs and poppers at dark.

Fishermen on Upper Straits Lake caught several five-pound bass opening day, and some big bluegills.

Most Oakland County lakes produced well over the weekend. Fishermen on Orchard Lake took both rainbow trout and bass.

SMALL BOATING is becoming more and more popular on Oakland County lakes.

Almost every lake in the area has boats of every type—from small fishing craft to outboard and inboard cruisers that could sail the Atlantic with ease.

Edward J. Slezak, supervisor of aquatics at the University of Michigan, has prepared 10 fundamental safety rules for boat owners:

1. Inspect all small craft and motors for efficiency and damage.
2. Wear life jackets in the water.
3. Carry spare oar and anchor.
4. Always use running lights for night boating and canoeing.
5. Secure outboard motors with safety chain.
6. Know and observe marine laws.
7. Never overload small craft.
8. Prevent horseplay in small craft.
9. Remain seated when fishing.
10. Learn to administer artificial respiration and to treat for shock.

IF YOU'VE NEVER used your outboard for water skiing or aquaplaning, this summer is a good time to give it a whirl.

Both are simple to learn and add a lot of extra enjoyment for the family on a summer afternoon.

The aquaplane is a board about four-feet in length and 18-inches wide. Rounded in front, it is towed behind the boat by a 50-foot rope tied to its forward edge. Another rope allows the rider to hang on and steer the aquaplane—much like the reins used in guiding a horse.

WATER SKIING, however, is more popular and usually more exciting.

You don't have to be a master athlete to join in the skiing fun, either. Children of seven and grandparents of 65 have mastered the sport in a single afternoon.

With a light boat, a 15-horsepower outboard motor is usually big enough. But for bigger boats and bigger skiers, more horsepower is recommended.

Experts recommend that all water skiers wear life jackets — even experienced swimmers.

ANOTHER TIP is to let the motor do the work. Just keep your arms straight and keens slightly bent. Your legs should be close together and the tips of your skis should be pointed forward.

Skiing and aquaplaning are safe, popular sports for the family on a summer afternoon. And they are sports for all of the family—from junior to grandpop.

Why not give them a try?

Action

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National

	Won	Lost
Terriers	4	0
Colts	4	0
Texans	3	1
Indians	2	2
Steelers	2	2
Huskies	2	2
Bears	1	2
Wildcats	1	3
Redskins	0	4
Bulldogs	0	4

LAST WEEK'S GAMES
Colts 8 — Bears 5
Texans 7 — Bulldogs 6
Wildcats 17 — Redskins 5
Colts 13 — Huskies 4
Terriers 14 — Steelers 3

National - American
Tee-Ball

	Won	Lost
Gophers	4	0
Boilermakers	3	1
Titans	2	2
Wolverines	0	4
Cometa	3	1
Badgers	2	2
Spartans	2	2
Trojans	0	4

LAST WEEK'S GAMES
Boilermakers 23 — Trojans 22
Gophers 7 — Spartans 5
Titans 18 — Cometa 9
Badgers 12 — Wolverines 10
Badgers 13 — Wolverines 10
Titans 18 — Cometa 19
Boilermakers 22 — Trojans 21

Continental - Federal
Tee-Ball

	Won	Lost
Steers	4	0
Mavericks	2	1
Darts	2	2
Ramblers	1	2
Tartars	1	2
Victors	1	2
Buckeyes	1	3

LAST WEEK'S GAMES
Steers 7 — Ramblers 5
Darts 13 — Buckeyes 11
Tartars 6 — Mavericks 2

BLOOMFIELD
American
Final Standings—First Half

	Won	Lost
Tigers	6	0
Red Sox	5	2
White Sox	5	2
Orioles	4	3
Yankees	3	3
Senators	3	4
Athletics	1	6
Indians	0	7

Standings—Second Half

	Won	Lost
Tigers	4	0
Yankees	1	0
Indians	2	1
Senators	2	1
Orioles	2	1
Athletics	0	2
White Sox	0	2
Red Sox	0	3

LAST WEEK'S GAMES
Senators 8 — Red Sox 1
Yankees 8 — Indians 4
Orioles 10 — Athletics 2
Tigers 4 — White Sox 0

National

	Won	Lost
Braves	2	0
Cowboys	2	0
Giants	2	0
Cardinals	1	1
Cubs	1	1
Dodgers	1	1
Phillies	1	1
Pirates	0	2
Red Legs	0	2
Royals	0	2

LAST WEEK'S GAMES
Braves 8 — Dodgers 5
Braves 38 — Royals 1
Cowboys 10 — Royals 2
Cowboys 12 — Red Legs 7
Giants 10 — Cubs 2
Giants 10 — Pirates 4
Cubs 10 — Cardinals 8
Cardinals 8 — Red Legs 3
Phillies 22 — Pirates 9
Dodgers 20 — Phillies 12

Recreation Round-Up

DAY CAMP: There are openings in the second, fourth, fifth and sixth periods of the Recreation Board's day camp program at Springdale Park.

The program is conducted in one-week sessions beginning Monday and running through August 4. Children between the ages of 7 and 11 as of December 1, 1961 and residing in the city and school district of Birmingham are eligible to register.

Activities begin each day at 9:30 a.m. and consist of nature lore, outdoor games, crafts, quiet games, singing and special events.

PLAYGROUNDS: Six playgrounds will open Monday for children 6 to 15 years of age. Playground locations are Eton and Pembroke Parks, Adams, Pierce, Midvale and Quarton Schools.

Activities will consist of athletic events, crafts, games, tournaments, rhythm bands, storytelling, singing and special events. Hours are 9 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. Children should register with the instructors at the playgrounds.

There is no charge except for craft materials.

BATON TWIRLING: For girls 6 to 15 years of age at Adams on Mondays at 1:00 p.m. and Barnum on Wednesdays at 1:00 p.m. Beginning June 26. No charge.

RIFLERY: For boys and girls nine years of age and older at the police pistol range on Cranbrook Road south of Lincoln. Instruction in safety and techniques of firing the .22 calibre rifle will be given each Wednesday, Thursday and Friday mornings from 9 to 12 beginning June 21. Register with the instructor at the range. Fee is charged for ammunition.

ARCHERY: At the Eton Park archery range on Tuesdays, 2 to 4 p.m., for boys and girls nine years of age and older. Register with the instructor at the range.

OUTDOOR SQUARE DANCE: The first summer square dance will be held Friday at Eton Park, 9 to 11 p.m. These dances will be held each month during the summer. The caller is Bill Gracey and level of dancing is intermediate.

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acquired through the National Open.

Time and time again the "hillbilly" millionaire was turned back in his try for the coveted title.

SAM IS NOW 49 years old. His swing is as smooth as it ever was. He still wins tournaments.

The now famous straw hat reappeared perched atop the famous dome of the famous golfer last weekend at Oakland Hills.

Only once did the hat leave his head—and that was just for an instant. Sam chipped his second shot within 20 inches of the cup on the long 18th hole during the first day's play.

PLAYING PARTNER Jerry Barber, upon seeing the ball, grabbed the hat from the broadly smiling Snead. Sam quickly placed the straw back on and playfully put a boot to Barber.

This was probably the only happy moment for Snead during the 61st Open championship.

His 73-70-74-73—290 tied him for 17th place and a purse of $883. He said he'll be back next year and the year after . . . but somehow one thinks this man would have had many Open titles had he won that first one in '37.

If he ever wins the Open, he'll be the oldest to do it. If he doesn't he'll still retire one of the richest golfers in history, and "You ain't just a-whistlin' Dixie."

'Greatest Pitcher' Coming July 1

"The world's greatest softball pitcher," Eddie Feigner, will mix 28 different deliveries against Southfield's All-Stars July 1 at the Southfield High School stadium.

Feigner, backed by a four-man team, pitches from behind his back, through his legs, around his neck, and blind-folded.

He has accumulated 38,249 strikeouts in 2,265 games pitched. His fast ball has been clocked at 104 miles per hour.

Proceeds go to the Southfield Little League.

Michigan is served by 190 regularly scheduled truck lines. Nearly a quarter of the nation's population can be reached from Michigan points between dusk and dawn.

Local Speedsters To Give A Try At Waterford

The Detroit Region of the Sports Car Club of America will hold its annual June regional races Saturday and Sunday at the Oakland County Sportsmen's Road Racing Club in Waterford.

Many of the Birmingham area's leading drivers are expected to be among the 120 competitors in this local sports car classic.

"The numerous hills and curves of this course present a challenge to car and driver alike," said Carl Chakmakian, Detroit regional executive.

The Oakland County club operates a mile and one-half asphalt paved road course on the club property near Waterford. The course is located six miles north of Pontiac and one quarter mile east of U. S. 10 on Waterford road.

Racing begins at 11 a.m. both days.

Close Call

Lawrence Finn, of Birmingham, in car #87, is pictured spinning around one of the many tricky curves at last month's feature event of the Oakland County Sportsmen's Road Racing Club. Finn, who races a Porsche car, will be one of the drivers to watch at the club's second event coming up this weekend, the Sports Car Club of America Regionals.

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Klix Charcoal Qt. cans 39c

Pink and White
Treesweet
Frozen Lemonade 6 Cans 59c
Velvet
Peanut Butter Smooth or Crunchy 3-lb. jar 99c
Doeskin
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