

Goose Tatum To Bring Hoop Team Here on Dec. 9

Goose Tatum, considered one of the world's greatest basketball players, will bring his Harlem Stars to Hedrick Junior High school gym on Tuesday night, Dec. 9. The Stars will play Hawthorn Tite of Medford, members of the newly-formed Southern Oregon Independent League. The game is set for 8 p.m.

Tatum, formerly a standout clown and scoring ace with the world-famous Harlem Globetrotters, is currently winding up a tour of the Far East and is due to arrive in San Francisco next week.

He has amassed an array of outstanding colored basketball players, including the well-known Sweetwater Clifton, and while their hoop play leaves audiences astounded, they mix in enough clowning tactics to provide a well-rounded evening of entertainment.

It will be the first appearance of Tatum's club in this area for some time.

His Far Eastern tour has

been setting attendance records in every major city and, judging from sports editors' reviews of the Stars' appearances, fans here can expect a bang-up evening of basketball.

Tickets will go on sale at Lamport's sporting goods store, 226 E. Main st., Tuesday morning.

Colts Favored To Defeat Forty-Niners

Baltimore, Md. — (UPI) — The Baltimore Colts, with their first professional football championship within grasp, tangle with San Francisco's oft hapless Forty Niners today.

Baltimore is rated an 11 point favorite to defeat the West Coast team.

Rice Beats Baylor By 33 To 21 Score

Waco, Tex. — (UPI) — Rive overcame a dazzling aerial demonstration staged by Baylor's Buddy Humphrey Saturday, stealing four of his passes and turning two into touchdowns to win the Southwest conference clash, 33-21.

The Skeena river in British Columbia flows 325 miles to the Pacific near Prince Rupert.

Gold Ray Fish Count
WEEK ENDING NOV. 29:
Silver salmon—5 (No Jack salmon).
Winter steelhead—None.

FULL SEASON:
Silver salmon—588 (11.5 per cent jacks) since Nov. 3.
Winter steelhead—23 since Nov. 15.

Tennessee Wins Over Vanderbilt

Nashville, Tenn. — (UPI) — Tailback Billy Majors, a will-o'-the-wisp with a football, ran and passed Tennessee to a 10-6 upset over Vanderbilt Saturday and put a damper on Vandy Bowl hopes.

On the next to last play of the game tempers flared and fists flew, but coaches, officials and even some spectators brought the fight under control.

With Tennessee leading, 10-0, Jim McKee, substitute Vandy quarterback, passed the Commodores to a last period score. A desperate try for an on-side kickoff to retain possession failed.

Americans Sweep Canadian Tourney

Vancouver, B.C. — (UPI) — American players made a clean sweep of the Canadian handball championships played here last week.

In the singles, Bob Apple of Salt Lake City defeated Art Thornwell, also of Salt Lake City, in the doubles, Gene McAteer and Bob Brady of San Francisco downed the Portland duo of Herman De Vault and Bill Inglesby.

MEDFORD TRIBUNE SPORTS

Professional Grid Attendance Higher Than in Past Year

Chicago — (UPI) — Professional football attendance has climbed 7.4 per cent over 1957, a United Press International survey Saturday showed, with one fourth of the season yet to be played.

Fans support the winner too, the figures showed, since Cleveland and Baltimore, the leaders of the National Football league's two divisions, showed the largest actual increase. Attendance at five home games of the Browns was up 53,901, the largest increase in the league, while the Colts' crowds increased 36,464, the second biggest increase.

Largest Percentage
The largest percentage increase, though, went to the Philadelphia Eagles, tied for last place in the Eastern Division. The Eagles, one of two teams in the loop who switched to collegiate stadiums for home games, jumped 30,948 in attendance for a climb of 29 per cent. Cleveland's increase was 19 per cent and Baltimore's 16 per cent.

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Soapy's 'Paul Bunyansky' Stirs Dispute In Michigan

Lansing, Mich. — (UPI) — Gov. G. Mennen ("Soapy") Williams' tale that legendary hero Paul Bunyan came from Russia got a chilly reception yesterday in the snow-covered Northwoods where the lumberjack's feats are known to all.

Williams told nine visiting Soviet educators Friday Michigan lumberman Paul Bunyan originally came from Russia.

"That explains why we are feeling so much at home in Michigan," said Alefseki I. Markuchevich, First Deputy Minister of Education. "We are surrounded by relatives."

Earp from Spain?
But the northern Michigan Bunyan clan reacted as a Westerner would if told Wyatt Earp came from Spain.

"Paul may have worn long red underwear but he's as American as baked beans on Saturday night," said Jay P. Smith, managing editor of the Traverse City Record-Eagle and a leading authority on Michigan's renowned logger.

"Anybody who's ever been in the woods knows that Paul came from Maine and moved west with the timber," Smith said.

John Domerty, editor of the Petoskey News-Review, said northern Michigan lumberjacks would dispute the gov-

ernor's version of Paul's origin.

"This must be why we're getting so much snow up here," Doherty said. "Paul's heard about this story and he's mad."

The governor shares with others the knowledge that Paul brushed his teeth with a pinetree, dug the grand canyon by dragging his pick and cooked pancakes on a griddle greased by loggers who skated on it with sides of bacon.

But his constituents aren't buying the one about Paul coming from Russia.

Houston Defeats Texas Tech, 22-17
Houston, Tex. — (UPI) — University of Houston, taking advantage of several costly penalties against Texas Tech, pulled away from a sluggish start to defeat the Red Raiders, 22-17, Saturday in the final game of the season for both teams.

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Mississippi Gator Bowl Foe

Oxford, Miss. — (UPI) — Quarterback Bobby Franklin riddled Mississippi State's defense in the second period Saturday to give Mississippi a 21-0 victory and a Gator bowl bid.

Mississippi will face Florida in the Dec. 27 classic at Jacksonville, Fla. Florida was defeated 14-7 by Mississippi State in its opening game of the season.

Clemson Accepts Bid To Sugar Bowl

Clemson, S.C. — (UPI) — Clemson smashed out a 30-0 halftime lead over Furman Saturday, weathered the Purple Hurricane's second half passing attack for a 36-19 victory and then accepted an invitation to meet the nation's No. 1 team, Louisiana State University, in the Sugar Bowl at New Orleans Jan. 1.

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