

Shoeless Joe And Ragtime Baseball

Shoeless Joe And Ragtime Baseball Book Review: Unveiling the Power of Words

In a global driven by information and connectivity, the power of words has be much more evident than ever. They have the capacity to inspire, provoke, and ignite change. Such may be the essence of the book **Shoeless Joe And Ragtime Baseball**, a literary masterpiece that delves deep to the significance of words and their effect on our lives. Written by a renowned author, this captivating work takes readers on a transformative journey, unraveling the secrets and potential behind every word. In this review, we shall explore the book is key themes, examine its writing style, and analyze its overall impact on readers.

There's More to New Jersey than the Sopranos

Marc Mappen 2009-08-06 An American tourist in Europe stopped at a restaurant in Gdansk, Poland, and struck up a conversation with a local. "Where do you come from?" he asked. "New Jersey," she said. He smiled and replied, "Ah, Sopranos!" Even fans of that popular show, one that held viewers captive, may be a bit disheartened to discover that the first thing that pops into minds around the world about New Jersey is a dysfunctional crime family, just an exit or two off the infamous N.J. Turnpike. But there's no need to live in fear that the only culture and history that the state is known for is, well, let's say, a bit of bada bing. Actually, the echo of the Big Bang—the cosmic event that marked the birth of our universe some 13.7 billion years ago—was first identified by scientists from Bell Labs in Murray Hill, New Jersey. In this lively romp through history from the primitive past to the present day, Marc Mappen's message resonates—There's More to New Jersey than the Sopranos. Real tales, wise tales, tall tales abound throughout the pages of Mappen's collection, filled with zest, humor, scandal, and occasionally tragedy. Annie Oakley. Ulysses S. Grant. Benedict Arnold. Ezra Pound. Shoeless Joe Jackson. These luminaries and many others share a common bond with the state that witnessed prehistoric elephants roaming its pastures, the explosion on the USS Princeton, a Martian invasion, famous firsts like the phonograph, electric light, and movies, and, well, step aside Tony Soprano: mobster Al Capone strolling along the Atlantic City boardwalk. Providing a lens into American

history through lively prose and more than twenty-five illustrations, *There's More to New Jersey than the Sopranos* is as much fun as a trip to the Jersey Shore and definitely more rewarding than a night home watching television—simply stated, this book is one you can't refuse to read.

Baseball's Ultimate Power Bill Jenkinson

2010-03-16 The tape measure home run is the greatest single act of power in the game of baseball, and the tales of these homers are the most cherished legacies players and fans hand down through the generations. Fully illustrated with photos of the players and aerial ballpark photos showing the landing spots of each stadium's longest homers.

The Ultimate Yankee Book Harvey Frommer

2017-10-24 "The perfect gift for the diehard fan in your life or an enviable treasure for yourself, *The Ultimate Yankee Book* is the most current and comprehensive resource of trivia, people and stories from the teams creation in 1901 to today. Harvey Frommer is a renowned baseball historian and the author of *The New York Yankee Encyclopedia*. In many ways, this book is an expansion and renovation of that book, adding new stories such as the Steinbrenner owners and famed recent legends such as Derek Jeter and A-Rod. But it goes beyond the first book. Far more than just stories, the book is packed with enough statistics, bests-and-worst, oddities and assorted data to satisfy serious trivia junkies. One of the best new features is the Yankee March of Time, including essential trivia from every year, and the daring and daunting Ultimate Yankee Quiz. Test your own knowledge or that of friends and family at your next

gathering or World Series party with 150 questions and detailed answers in this fun, informative quiz. Fans of the Yankees are proud to call their team the greatest of all time not only have they boasted the most World Series championships and the most players in the Hall of Fame, they re also the most hotly discussed team in the news media, social media and in books."--Publisher's description.

The Fix Is In Daniel E. Ginsburg 2004-03-08 On September 27, 1865, gambler Kane McLoughlin paid William Wansley \$100 to ensure that the Brooklyn Eckfords would beat the Mutuals of New York. Wansley bribed Mutuals shortstop Tom Devyr and third baseman Ed Duffy to join the plot. The result was a 23-11 win by the Eckfords in a game marked by "passed balls and...muffed easy flies." Baseball was faced with its first gambling scandal. This is a comprehensive account of gambling and game fixing scandals that have gripped the nation. Attention is rightly focused on the best known incidents (e.g., the Black Sox scandal and the Pete Rose case), but the lesser known scandals are covered in-depth as well. Included are two chapters on game fixing scandals in the minor leagues.

Happy Felsch Thomas Rathkamp 2016-04-27 Schooled on the sandlots of Milwaukee, Chicago Black Sox center fielder Oscar "Happy" Felsch (1891-1964) was a rising star who then blew a promising career for a few bucks by participating in the throwing of the 1919 World Series. On the field, Felsch was hitting his peak in 1920, the year the scandal hit the newspapers. His speed, run-producing power and defensive prowess--all attributes that might have garnered consideration by the Hall of Fame--earned comparisons to the great Tris Speaker. Instead, he ended up playing the fallen hero for remote baseball enclaves in Montana and Canada. Did he really play to lose the series or just say that he did out of fear of reprisal by crooked gamblers? Felsch talked about the scandal more than any of the other eight banned players. This book analyzes his three interviews, revealing his ultimate gullibility and greed and rampant contradictions.

James T. Farrell and Baseball Charles DeMotte 2019-12-01 James T. Farrell and Baseball is a social history of baseball on

Chicago's South Side, drawing on the writings of novelist James T. Farrell along with historical sources. Charles DeMotte shows how baseball in the early decades of the twentieth century developed on all levels and in all areas of Chicago, America's second largest city at the time, and how that growth intertwined with Farrell's development as a fan and a writer who used baseball as one of the major themes of his work. DeMotte goes beyond Farrell's literary focus to tell a larger story about baseball on Chicago's South Side during this time--when Charles Comiskey's White Sox won two World Series and were part of a rich baseball culture that was widely played at the amateur, semipro, and black ball levels. DeMotte highlights the 1919-20 Black Sox fix and scandal, which traumatized not only Farrell and Chicago but also baseball and the broader culture. By tying Farrell's fictional and nonfictional works to Chicago's vibrant baseball history, this book fills an important gap in the history of baseball during the Deadball Era.

The Annotated Baseball Stories of Ring W. Lardner, 1914-1919 Ring Lardner 1995 An annotated and copiously illustrated edition of the 24 short stories published between 1914 and 1919 by Ring Lardner, which include the stories collected later and known as "You know me, Al."

Double Plays and Double Crosses Don Zminda 2021-03-10 The gripping story of how one of the most infamous scandals in American history--the Black Sox scandal--continued for nearly a year following the fixed World Series of 1919 until the truth began to emerge. The Black Sox scandal has fascinated sports fans for over one hundred years. But while the focus has traditionally been on the fixed 1919 World Series, the reality is that it continued well into the following season--and members of the Chicago White Sox very likely continued to fix games. The result was a year of suspicion, intrigue, and continued betrayal. In *Double Plays and Double Crosses: The Black Sox and Baseball in 1920*, Don Zminda tells the story of an unforgettable team and an unforgettable year in baseball and American history. Zminda reveals in captivating detail how the Black Sox scandal unfolded in 1920, the level of involvement in game-fixing by notable players like Shoeless Joe Jackson and Buck Weaver, and the complicity of

White Sox management in covering up details of the scandal. In addition, Zminda provides an in-depth investigation of games during the 1920 season that were likely fixed and the discovery during the year of other game-fixing scandals that rocked baseball. Throughout 1920, the White Sox continued to play—and usually win—despite mistrust among teammates. *Double Plays and Double Crosses* tells for the first time what happened during this season, when suspicion was rampant and the team was divided between “clean” players and those suspected of fixing the 1919 World Series.

Sports in Chicago Elliott J. Gorn 2008 Chicago has garnered national recognition by winning the World Series, the Super Bowl, and a string of titles in the National Basketball Association. But amateur sports also play a large role in the city's athletic traditions, especially in schools and youth leagues. In fourteen chapters, experts focus on multiple aspects of Chicago sports, including long looks at amateur boxing, the impact of gender and ethnicity in sports, the politics of horse racing and stadium building, the lasting scandal of the Black Sox, and the perpetual heartbreak of the Cubs. Well illustrated with forty photographs, this volume will help historians and sports fans alike appreciate the longstanding importance of sports in Chicago. Contributors are Peter Alter, Robin F. Bachin, Larry Bennett, Linda J. Borish, Gerald Gems, Elliott J. Gorn, Richard Kimball, Gabe Logan, Daniel A. Nathan, Timothy Neary, Steven A. Riess, John Russick, Timothy Spears, Costas Spirou, and Loic Wacquant.

The Faith of Fifty Million Christopher Hodge Evans 2002-01-01 This volume features essays by religion scholars who analyze the relation of baseball and theology in American culture. Topics include issues of national identity, baseball and civil religion, baseball as a metaphor and more.

Where Have All Our Red Sox Gone? Harvey Frommer 2006 After 86 years of waiting, former players of the Boston Red Sox were able to share in the crowning of the new world champions when the team finally broke the curse by winning the 2004 World Series. Frommer found these faded stars and forms a collection of profiles and stories.

Baseball's Roaring Twenties Ronald T. Waldo

2017-04-20 Following the 1919 Black Sox scandal, baseball needed men willing and able to pump life back into the game during tough times. Numerous ballplayers stepped forward and left their mark on the national pastime as it continued to thrive and grow during a decade that became known as the Roaring Twenties, a raucous, happy time period when a free-spirited nature prevailed. In *Baseball's Roaring Twenties: A Decade of Legends, Characters, and Diamond Adventures*, Ronald T. Waldo recounts the rollicking escapades surrounding a distinctive collection of players, managers, and umpires that truly personified this era of baseball history. Waldo includes a mix of unique stories and amusing tales surrounding baseball greats like Babe Ruth, Connie Mack, Rabbit Maranville, and Casey Stengel, alongside less famous diamond performers such as Duster Mails, Jay Kirke, Jimmy O'Connell, and Possum Whitted. The fans—who were every bit as important in helping the game grow during the '20s—are also given their due with a chapter of their own. From the story of Heinie Mueller unceremoniously pushing his attractive cousin out of sight when he saw manager Branch Rickey approaching to the tale of minor league hurler Augie Prudhomme literally following the sarcastic directive from pilot George Stallings to burn his uniform, *Baseball's Roaring Twenties* provides an entertaining perspective of baseball during this singular decade. Amusing and informative, this book will be of interest to baseball fans and historians of all generations. Eddie Collins Rick Huhn 2014-07-15 In what is sure to be the definitive book on Eddie Collins's life and long career, author Rick Huhn covers the Hall of Fame player's experiences from childhood through his days at Columbia University, his tenure with the great Athletics clubs of 1906-1914, the highs and lows of a championship and scandal with the White Sox, and his return to the A's during their final run at greatness. By the time his 25-year playing career had ended, he was a pivotal performer on five all-time great clubs, dominating his position like no one before (or since), and earning a reputation for intelligent, selfless play that followed him to Cooperstown. Also covered in detail is his tenure with the Boston Red Sox, a team he served variously as part owner, vice-

president and general manager until 1951, when after 45 years in major league baseball a stroke ended his career and, weeks later, his life.

Red Sox Vs. Yankees Harvey Frommer 2014 The rivalry between the New York Yankees and Boston Red Sox involves not just the teams, but the cities, owners, ballparks, fans, and the media. Its roots reach back to before even Babe Ruth and Harry Frazee, yet it is as contemporary as the next Red Sox-Yankees game. This book tells the story of the rivalry from the first game these epic teams played against each other in 1901 through the 2013 season in what former New York Mayor Rudy Giuliani called "the best rivalry in any sport."

The Sports Junkie's Book of Trivia, Terms, and Lingo Harvey Frommer 2005-08-26

Combining the content of two of Frommer's previous books, *Sports Roots* and *Sports Lingo*, this book not only explains how nicknames, namesakes, trophies, competitions, and expressions in the world of sports came to be, but also serves as a useful dictionary of the language of sports—both technical and slang.

The Wrong Man Out Kenneth J. Ratajczak, M.D. 2008-04-15 This book looks at the 1919 World Series with emphasis on Shoeless Joe Jackson in an attempt to determine his role in the "Big Fix". It also looks into Charles Comiskey and Judge Landis. The final chapter compiles the information into a fictitious trial of Joe Jackson and puts Comiskey, Landis, and Major League Baseball under the microscope. The reader is part of the jury and is encouraged to listen to the testimony and submit his/her verdict to Major League Baseball.

Burying the Black Sox Gene Carney 2007-06-01

New insight on baseball's most famous scandal The South Atlantic League, 1904-1963 Marshall D. Wright 2010-03-08 This book presents season-by-season information for the original South Atlantic Baseball League, which operated for 60 years in the Carolinas, Georgia and Florida. (In 1963, with the collapse of the Southern Association, the league was promoted to Double-A status and renamed the Southern League.) Each chapter opens with a season summary and is followed by league standings, team records and rosters, and statistics for each player.

The Search for Shoeless Joe Joseph Victor

Michalowicz 2017-06-05 Bobby Rogers has always had a driving ambition to be the best. As a teen, he excelled in baseball and dreamed of being recruited into the major leagues. But because Bobby also had a burning desire to make money, he decided to take another route that included Harvard Business School. Now it is 2010 and he is a hard-driving New York financial guru with a wife, a young son, and a desire to invest in something personally fulfilling. After he learns that investing in sports memorabilia might be lucrative, Bobby becomes hooked on collecting baseball cards. When a startling revelation leads him to focus on collecting cards of the legendary slugger Shoeless Joe Jackson, Bobby embarks on a quest that leads him from the Hamptons to Maryland's Eastern Shore and finally to Cuba to find a unique card. But after he lands a visit with former Senators pitcher Chico Marrero and has a frightening encounter with Fidel Castro, Bobby soon discovers that he is not just on a journey to locate baseball cards, but instead to gain deep insight into himself and what he really wants from life. In this exciting tale, an investor turned dedicated collector sets out on a pursuit of an elusive Joe Jackson baseball card that leads him to places he never imagined.

Myths and Milestones in the History of Sport S. Wagg 2011-11-29 The conventional history of sport, as conveyed by television and the sports press, has thrown up a great many apparent turning points, but knowledge of these apparently defining moments is often slight. This book offers readable, in-depth studies of a series of these watersheds in sport history and of the circumstances in which they came about.

Baseball Meets the Law Ed Edmonds

2017-02-28 Baseball and law have intersected since the primordial days. In 1791, a Pittsfield, Massachusetts, ordinance prohibited ball playing near the town's meeting house. Ball games on Sundays were barred by a Pennsylvania statute in 1794. In 2015, a federal court held that baseball's exemption from antitrust laws applied to franchise relocations. Another court overturned the conviction of Barry Bonds for obstruction of justice. A third denied a request by rooftop entrepreneurs to enjoin the construction of a massive video screen at Wrigley Field. This exhaustive chronology traces

the effects the law has had on the national pastime, both pro and con, on and off the field, from the use of copyright to protect not only equipment but also "Take Me Out to the Ball Game" to frequent litigation between players and owners over contracts and the reserve clause. The stories of lawyers like Kenesaw Mountain Landis and Branch Rickey are entertainingly instructive.

The Betrayal Charles Fountain 2016 In the most famous scandal of sports history, eight Chicago White Sox players--including Shoeless Joe Jackson--agreed to throw the 1919 World Series to the Cincinnati Reds in exchange for the promise of \$20,000 each from gamblers reportedly working for New York mobster Arnold Rothstein. Heavily favored, Chicago lost the Series five games to three. Although rumors of a fix flew while the series was being played, they were largely disregarded by players and the public at large. It wasn't until a year later that a general investigation into baseball gambling reopened the case, and a nationwide scandal emerged. In this book, Charles Fountain offers a full and engaging history of one of baseball's true moments of crisis and hand-wringing, and shows how the scandal changed the way American baseball was both managed and perceived. After an extensive investigation and a trial that became a national morality play, the jury returned not-guilty verdicts for all of the White Sox players in August of 1921. The following day, Judge Kenesaw Mountain Landis, baseball's new commissioner, "regardless of the verdicts of juries," banned the eight players for life. And thus the Black Sox entered into American mythology. Guilty or innocent? Guilty and innocent? The country wasn't sure in 1921, and as Fountain shows, we still aren't sure today. But we are continually pulled to the story, because so much of modern sport, and our attitude towards it, springs from the scandal. Fountain traces the Black Sox story from its roots in the gambling culture that pervaded the game in the years surrounding World War I, through the confusing events of the 1919 World Series itself, to the noisy aftermath and trial, and illuminates the moment as baseball's tipping point. Despite the clumsy unfolding of the scandal and trial and the callous treatment of the players involved, the Black Sox saga was a

cleansing moment for the sport. It launched the age of the baseball commissioner, as baseball owners hired Landis and surrendered to him the control of their game. Fountain shows how sweeping changes in 1920s triggered by the scandal moved baseball away from its association with gamblers and fixers, and details how American's attitude toward the pastime shifted as they entered into "The Golden Age of Sport." Situating the Black Sox events in the context of later scandals, including those involving Reds manager and player Pete Rose, and the ongoing use of steroids in the game up through the present, Fountain illuminates America's near century-long fascination with the story, and its continuing relevance today.

Blackball, the Black Sox, and the Babe

Robert C. Cottrell 2001-12-18 Nineteen-twenty was a crucial year not just for the Chicago White Sox but for the game of baseball, in the aftermath of the 1919 World Series scandal. This work is both a collective biography of four individuals whose careers in baseball were forever altered in 1920 and an examination of the 1920 baseball season as a whole. It highlights four legendary personalities--Judge Kenesaw Mountain Landis, the longtime commissioner of Major League Baseball; Babe Ruth, the great pitcher and slugger who changed the game forever; Buck Weaver, the true lone innocent among the Black Sox players who threw the 1919 World Series; and Rube Foster, the fine pitcher, imaginative manager, and great administrator of blackball who founded the Negro National League. Key events that affected the season and the history of baseball are discussed. Nineteen-twenty was the year that Ruth shattered his own home run record and began a hitting spree that brought in record numbers of fans to the ballparks. It was the year that Rube found a way for large numbers of African-Americans to play the game meaningfully, before loyal crowds, despite Jim Crow laws that kept them out of the majors and minors. Instructors considering this book for use in a course may request an examination copy here.

Sports in America from Colonial Times to the Twenty-First Century: An Encyclopedia

Steven A. Riess 2015-03-26 Provides practical help for the day-to-day concerns that keep

managers awake at night. This book aims to fill the gap between the legal and policy issues that are the mainstay of human resources and supervision courses and the real-world needs of managers as they attempt to cope with the human side of their jobs.

A Yankee Century and Beyond Harvey

Frommer 2007 This newly updated album captures 106 years of Yankee life in pictures, stats, words and reflections.

Chicago in the World Series, 1903-2005 Bruce A.

Rubenstein 2006-05-24 When the White Sox met the Astros in the 2005 World Series, it marked only the second time Chicago team had appeared in a televised World Series. (The first was in 1959 when the White Sox lost to the Dodgers.) Of the other 12 Series involving the Cubs or White Sox, seven occurred before the radio broadcasting of baseball. Five others were broadcast, but because the games were played during the workday, fans continued to get their coverage from newspapers. There they found accounts penned by some of the greatest journalists of the 20th century, including Ring Lardner, Grantland Rice, Arthur "Bugs" Baer and Westbrook Pegler, as well as legendary Chicago scribes Charles Dryden, James Crusinberry, Hugh Fullerton, I.E. Sanborn, and Irving Vaughan. With a chapter on each World Series involving a Chicago team, this book covers 100 years of championship diamond contests in the Windy City, from the intra-city classic of 1906 to the end of the White Sox's 88-year championship drought in 2005.

Contemporary accounts from newspapers and sports publications complement the author's informed commentary, providing two views of the Series: one shared by those who were there, and one informed by the decades since.

Shoeless Joe and Ragtime Baseball Harvey

Frommer 2016-10-01 Another peek at baseball's good old days—or, in this case, bad old days—by veteran sports-historian Harvey Frommer.

Frommer paints Shoeless Joe as a baseball natural ("Joe Jackson hit the ball harder than any man ever to play baseball"—Ty Cobb), an illiterate hick (his table utensils consisted of knife and fingers), and an innocent man snared by the greatest scandal in baseball history.

Lost in the Sun G. Richard McKelvey

2007-11-15 Baseball players, like teams, have

their ups and downs. Pitchers inexplicably lose their command of the strike zone, batters think themselves into deep slumps, and injuries, addiction, and poor decision-making can radically change the fortunes of either. It's in the response to such adversity that memorable stories are made. This book focuses both on players whose determination in the face of injury or private demons landed them back in the big leagues and stars who never recovered from their dramatic, unexpected falls. Profiled here are 14 players whose stories are among the most stirring in baseball history: Tony Conigliaro, Monte Stratton, Pete Rose, Bert Shepard, Eddie Waitkus, Mark Wohlers, Red Barney, Lou Brissie, Tommy John, Mark McGwire, Sammy Sosa, Steve Blass, Dave Dravecky, and Joe Jackson.

Baseball Edward J. Rielly 2005-01-01 Baseball:

An Encyclopedia of Popular Culture looks at American society through the prism of its favorite pastime, discussing not only the game itself but a variety of topics with significance beyond the diamond. Its 269 entries, which vary in length from two hundred to twenty-five hundred words, explore the game's intersection with race, gender, art, drug abuse, entertainment, business, gambling, movies, and the shift from rural to urban society. ø Filled with larger-than-life characters, baseball legends, sports facts and firsts, important milestones, and observations about daily life and popular culture, this encyclopedia is not only an excellent reference source but also an enjoyable book to browse.

Old Time Baseball Harvey Frommer 2006

Frommer's latest book takes us to the birthplace of America's most beloved sport. Starting from baseball's humble beginnings, Frommer vividly introduces the reader to the trailblazing personalities that shaped baseball's history. From the first games in Madison, New York to the rise of the National League, Frommer vividly recreates the energy of this early time.

Frommer's expertise lends itself to tell the magical story of baseball's history and insight into an era that is not to be forgotten.

American Sports [4 volumes] Murry R. Nelson

2013-05-23 America loves sports. This book examines and details the proof of this fascination seen throughout American society—in our

literature, film, and music; our clothing and food; and the iconography of the nation. This momentous four-volume work examines and details the cultural aspects of sport and how sport pervasively reflects—and affects—myriad aspects of American society from the early 1900s to the present day. Written in a straightforward, readable manner, the entries cover both historical and contemporary aspects of sport and American culture. Unlike purely historical encyclopedias on sports, the contributions within these volumes cover related subject matter such as poetry, novels, music, films, plays, television shows, art and artists, mythologies, artifacts, and people. While this encyclopedia set is ideal for general readers who need information on the diverse aspects of sport in American culture for research purposes or are merely reading for enjoyment, the detailed nature of the entries will also prove useful as an initial source for scholars of sport and American culture. Each entry provides a number of both print and online resources for further investigation of the topic.

American History through American Sports

[3 volumes] Bob Batchelor 2012-12-18 Filled with insightful analysis and compelling arguments, this book considers the influence of sports on popular culture and spotlights the fascinating ways in which sports culture and American culture intersect. This collection blends historical and popular culture perspectives in its analysis of the development of sports and sports figures throughout American history. American History through American Sports: From Colonial Lacrosse to Extreme Sports is unique in that it focuses on how each sport has transformed and influenced society at large, demonstrating how sports and popular culture are intrinsically entwined and the ways they both reflect larger societal transformations. The essays in the book are wide-ranging, covering topics of interest for sports fans who enjoy the NFL and NASCAR as well as those who like tennis and watching the Olympics. Many topics feature information about specific sports icons and favorite heroes. Additionally, many of the topics' treatments prompt engagement by purposely challenging the reader to either agree or disagree with the author's analysis.

Money Pitcher: Chief Bender and the Tragedy of

Indian Assimilation

Shoeless David L. Fleitz 2016-10-05 "Shoeless" Joe Jackson was one of baseball's greatest hitters and most colorful players. Born Joseph Jefferson Wofford Jackson on July 16, 1888, in Pickens County, South Carolina, Jackson went to work in a textile mill when he was around six years old, and got his start in baseball playing for the Brandon Mill team at the age of 13 earning \$2.50 a game. He emerged as the star of the team and a favorite of fans with his hitting and throwing abilities, and moved up to play in the Carolina Association, where he received his nickname "Shoeless" because the blisters on his feet forced him to play in his stockings. He then made his move to the major leagues, signing on with the Philadelphia Athletics and rising to fame. This work chronicles Jackson's life from his poor beginnings to his involvement in the scandal surrounding the 1919 World Series to his life after baseball and his death December 5, 1951, with most of the work focusing on his baseball career.

New York City Baseball Harvey Frommer 2004

"What a time! In the heady days after World War II, a nation was ready for heroes and a great city was eager for entertainment. Baseball provided the heroes, and the Yankees, the Giants, and the Dodgers - with their rivalries, their successes, their stars - provided the show. Harvey Frommer chronicles how in those eleven remarkable years Yankees, the Giants, and Brooklyn Dodgers won a collective seven pennants and nine World Series; Joltin' Joe DiMaggio stepped gracefully aside to make room for a young slugger named Mickey Mantle; and the Brooklyn (but not for much longer) Dodgers achieved the impossible by beating the Yankees in the 1955 World Series. This classic book includes rare interviews with Monte Irvin, Rachel Robinson (Jackie's widow), Walter O'Malley, former New York City Mayor Robert F. Wagner, Mel Allen, Duke Snider, Eddie Lopat, Phil Rizzuto, Jerry Coleman, and New York media figures."--Jacket. When It Was Just a Game Harvey Frommer 2015-09-30 Written by acclaimed sports author and oral historian Harvey Frommer and with an introduction by pro football Hall of Famer Frank Gifford, When It Was Just a Game tells the fascinating story of the ground-breaking AFL-NFL World Championship Football game

played on January 15, 1967: Packers vs. Chiefs. Filled with new insights, containing commentary from the recently discovered unpublished memoir of Kansas City Chiefs coach Hank Stram, and featuring oral history from many who were at the game—media, players, coaches, fans—the book presents back story and front story in the words of those who lived it and saw it go on to become the Super Bowl, the greatest sports attraction the world has ever known. Archival photographs and drawings help bring the event to life.

Hal Chase Martin Donell Kohout 2017-07-06 Hal Chase is considered by many to be one of the best first basemen ever to play the game of baseball. He was able to make the routine look spectacular, the spectacular look routine. But Chase will never have his plaque in Cooperstown because he has gone down in history as the biggest crook in baseball. Chase was repeatedly accused of throwing games, bribing players, betting against his own team, and various other crimes, yet with his relaxed nature he always managed to get off the hook for his misdeeds by working his charm. His major league career lasted from 1905 to 1919, and by the mid-1930s he was a destitute alcoholic living off friends. The last fifteen years of Chase's life saw him hospitalized repeatedly for a variety of ailments, living off a sister and brother-in-law who loathed him. This work traces the turbulent life and times of Hal Chase from his humble beginnings to his sad end.

The Dickson Baseball Dictionary (Third Edition) Paul Dickson 2011-06-13 The definitive work on the language of baseball—one of the “Five Best Baseball Books” (Wall Street Journal). Hailed as “a staggering piece of scholarship” (Wall Street Journal) and “an indispensable guide to the language of baseball” (San Diego Union-Tribune), The Dickson Baseball Dictionary has become an invaluable resource for those who love the game. Drawing on dozens of nineteenth- and early twentieth-century periodicals, as well as contemporary sources, Dickson’s brilliant, illuminating definitions trace the earliest appearances of terms both well known and obscure. This edition includes more than 10,000 terms with 18,000 individual entries, and more than 250 photos. This “impressively comprehensive” (The Nation) book will delight

everyone from the youngest fan to the hard-core aficionado.

Baseball and the American Dream Robert Elias 2016-04-15 A fascinating look at how America's favorite sport has both reflected and shaped social, economic, and
Saying It's So Daniel A. Nathan 2010-10-01 The story of "Shoeless" Joe Jackson and his teammates purportedly conspiring with gamblers to throw the World Series to the Cincinnati Reds has lingered in our collective consciousness for more than eighty years. Daniel A. Nathan's wide-ranging, interdisciplinary cultural history is less concerned with the details of the scandal than with how it has been represented and remembered by journalists, historians, novelists, filmmakers, and baseball fans. *Saying It's So* offers a series of astute reflections on what these different cultural narratives reveal about their creators and the eras in which they were created, producing a complex study of cultural values, memory, and the ways people make meaning. A volume in the series *Sport and Society*, edited by Benjamin G. Rader and Randy Roberts

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