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The New Bill James Historical Baseball Abstract 2010-05-11 when bill james published his original historical baseball abstract in 1985 he produced an immediate classic hailed by the chicago tribune as the holy book of baseball now baseball s beloved sultan of stats the boston globe is back with a fully revised and updated edition for the new millennium like the original the new bill james historical baseball abstract is really several books in one the game provides a century s worth of american baseball history told one decade at a time with energetic facts and figures about how where and by whom the game was played in the players you ll find listings of the top 100 players at each position in the major leagues along with james s signature stats based ratings method called win shares a way of quantifying individual performance and calculating the offensive and defensive contributions of catchers pitchers infielders and outfielders and there s more the reference section covers win shares for each season and each player and even offers a win share team comparison a must have for baseball fans and historians alike the new bill james historical baseball abstract is as essential entertaining and enlightening as the sport itself

The Bill James Historical Baseball Abstract 1988 this volume provides historical statistics commentary on baseball

New Bill James Historical 2001-01-01 the long awaited revision of bill james s classic bestseller features enriched histories updated rankings and revised assessments from baseball s most influential author los angeles herald examiner

100 Provocative Statements about the New Bill James Historical Baseball Abstract 2013-03 in this book we have hand picked the most sophisticated unanticipated absorbing if not at times crackpot original and musing book reviews of the new bill james historical baseball abstract don t say we didn t warn you these reviews are known to shock with their unconventionality or intimacy some may be startled by their biting sincerity others may be spellbound by their unbridled flights of fantasy don t buy this book if 1 you don t have nerves of steel 2 you expect to get pregnant in the next five minutes 3 you ve heard it all

The Neyer/James Guide to Pitchers 2008-06-16 preeminent baseball analyst bill james and espn com baseball columnist rob neyer compile information on pitches and their origins nearly two thousand pitchers and more in this comprehensive guide pitchers the pitches they throw and how they throw them they re the stuff of constant scrutiny but there s never been anything like a comprehensive source for such information until now bill james and rob neyer spent over a decade compiling the centerpiece of this book the pitcher census which lists specific information for nearly two thousand pitchers ranging throughout the history of professional baseball their guide also includes a dictionary describing virtually every known pitch biographies of great pitchers who have been overlooked and top ten lists for fastballs spitballs and everything in between james and neyer also weigh in on the debate over pitcher abuse and durability offer a formula for predicting the cy young award winner and reveal james s pitcher codes learn about the origins and development of baseball s most important pitches and more knuckleballers and submariners than you ever thought existed baseball s action always starts with the pitchers begin to understand them and join in on entertaining debates while having a great deal of fun with the history of the game that captivates so many with this one of a kind guide

The Bill James Guide to Baseball Managers 2014-04-01 the man newweek once called the guru of baseball offers profiles of top managers sidebars statistics and snapshots of each decade widely considered to be one of the greatest minds in the history of the game bill james has changed the way we think about the sport of baseball in this chronicle of field generals strategists and occasional cannon fodder james writes with piercing insight about the men who hold what may be the most important spot in the dugout for nearly forty years james has led the vanguard of how we measure the game from sabermetrics to his baseball abstracts james has influenced even the casual fan all the way up to the top brass somewhere in the middle of that spectrum however is the manager and bill james has penned a guide on some of the most innovative and renowned men to ever hold that position some of the game s greatest managers have been hall of fame players who put down a bat and picked up a lineup card frank robinson mel ott joe cronin tris speaker and rogers hornsby others have achieved greatness from their ability to assemble legendary teams billy martin tommy lasorda connie mack joseph mccarthy dick williams and leo durocher here bill james explores the history of the manager and its evolution from 1870 1990 in a decade by decade chronicle examining the successes the failures and what baseball fans can learn from both the bill james guide to baseball managers is a thought provoking entertaining and seminal guide to a vital part of the national pastime written by one of its most groundbreaking iconoclasts a delightful collection that will satisfy baseball fans of all ages library journal

Whatever Happened to the Hall of Fame 1995-04-06 arguing about the merits of players is the baseball fan s second favorite pastime and every year the hall of fame elections spark heated controversy in a book that s sure to thrill and infuriate countless fans bill james takes a hard look at the hall probing its history its politics and most of all its decisions

The Mind of Bill James 2006-03-14 the first book to chronicle the life and ideas of the serious baseball fan s high priest new york times the impact of his brilliant and entertaining writings and how someone who never pitched a ball held a bat or managed a team fundamentally changed the way baseball is interpreted analyzed and even played bill james has been called baseball s shrewdest analyst slate and part of baseball legend the new yorker and his baseball abstract has been acclaimed as the holy book of baseball chicago tribune thirty years ago james introduced a new approach to evaluating players and strategies and now his theories have become indispensable tools for agents statistics analysts maverick general managers and anyone who is serious about understanding the game james began writing about baseball while working at a factory in his native kansas in lively often acerbic prose he used statistics to challenge entrenched beliefs and uncover surprising truths about the game his annual baseball abstract captured the attention of fans and front offices and went on to become a bestselling staple of the baseball book category in 2002 the boston red sox hired james as an advisor two years later they achieved their long awaited world series triumph the mind of bill james tells the story of how a gifted outsider inspired a new understanding of baseball it delves deeply into james s essential wisdom including his surprising beliefs about pitch counts and the importance of batting order thoughts on professionalism and psychology and why teams tend to develop the characteristics that are least favored by their home parks it also brings together his best writing much of it long out of print as well as insights from new interviews written with james full cooperation it is at once an eye opening portrait of baseball s virtuoso analyst and a treasury of his idiosyncratic genius

Baseball 2003-04-30 stats all time major league handbook is the only historical baseball register that features exclusive year by year career statistics for every major league hitter pitcher and fielder since 1876 complete position by position fielding stats and hitting stats for pitchers round out the most in depth player register ever compiled unique features bill james and stats exclusive historical data for every major leaguer complete stats for every player thru 1997 easy to read design

All-time Major League Handbook 1998 the pittsburgh pirates have a vast and celebrated history dating back to 1887 winning five world championships and nine national league pennants since their inception many baseball legends have called pittsburgh home including hall of famers honus wagner roberto clemente paul waner and arky vaughan although the pirates have had their fair share of losing seasons recent postseason appearances have brought life back into this storied franchise the 50 greatest players in pittsburgh pirates history celebrates the best to ever wear a pirate uniform david finoli carefully and diligently ranks the steel city icons based on statistics awards achievements and postseason success each entry includes biographical information accomplishments and recaps of the player s greatest moments in addition to stories of glory on the field finoli also shares important events that took place away from the diamond such as roberto clemente personally bringing supplies to earthquake ravaged nicaragua a selfless act that led to his tragic death two concluding chapters cover the ten pirates who almost made the cut and the players who went on to greatness after leaving the pittsburgh organization more than 25 photographs throughout the book enhance the rankings of these pittsburgh legends sure to inspire debate and controversy among pirate fans old and new the 50 greatest players in pittsburgh pirates history is an engaging look at the many players who have been a part of the franchise s long and memorable history

The 50 Greatest Players in Pittsburgh Pirates History 2016-03-10 originally published 2011 with new addendum

Popular Crime 2012-05-08 1990

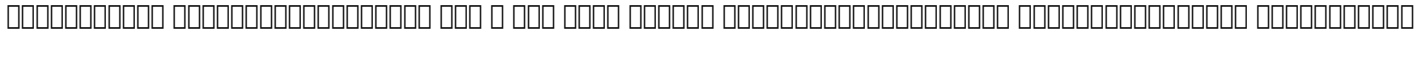
2013-04-15 2020 sabr seymour medal 2019 casey award for best baseball book of the year buck o neil once described him as ty cobb babe ruth and tris speaker rolled into one among experts he is regarded as the best player in negro leagues history during his prime he became a legend in cuba and one of black america s most popular figures yet even among serious sports fans oscar charleston is virtually unknown today in a long career spanning from 1915 to 1954 charleston played against managed befriended and occasionally fought men such as lou gehrig jimie foxx lefty grove satchel paige josh gibson jesse owens roy campanella and branch rickey he displayed tremendous power speed and defensive instincts along with a fierce intelligence

and commitment to his craft charleston s competitive fire sometimes brought him trouble but more often it led to victories championships and profound respect while charleston never played in the major leagues he was a trailblazer who became the first black man to work as a scout for a major league team when branch rickey hired him to evaluate players for the dodgers in the 1940s from the mid 1920s on he was a player manager for several clubs in 1932 he joined the pittsburgh crawfords and would manage the club many consider the finest negro league team of all time featuring five future hall of famers including himself cool papa bell josh gibson judy johnson and satchel paige charleston s combined record as a player manager and scout makes him the most accomplished figure in black baseball history his mastery of the quintessentially american sport under the conditions of segregation revealed what was possible for black achievement bringing hope to millions oscar charleston introduces readers to one of america s greatest and most fascinating athletes

Oscar Charleston 2019-11-01 the kokoda legend lay dormant for six decades during which the rampant new guinean jungle reclaimed many of its historic sites now after years of painstaking research and with the aid of the fast thinning ranks of both australian and japanese veterans bill james has uncovered these lost battlefields plus more for those wishing to understand the history of the kokoda track the 528 page book will be of great interest for those intending to undertake the gruelling trek it is essential reading the third edition of the book includes a new 1 50 000 scale waterproof trek map 740 mm x 408 mm 2 sided that will be an indispensable aid the revised edition includes the grave or memorial information for the fallen

Field Guide to the Kokoda Track 2012 the black dahlia case the manson murders the zodiac killer the slaughter of jonbenet ramsay these killings among many others in bill james s astonishing chronicle of the history of american crime have all created a frenzy of interest and speculation about human nature and while many of us choose to avoid the news about gruesome murders bill james contends that these crime stories which create such frenzy and have throughout history are as important to understanding our society culture and history as anything we may consider to be a more serious subject the topic envelopes our society so completely we almost forget about it james looks at the ways in which society has changed by examining the development of how crimes have been committed investigated and prosecuted the booktakes on such issues as the rise of an organized police force the controversial use of the death penalty the introduction of evidence such as fingerprinting and dna and the unexpected ways in which the most shocking crimes have shaped the criminal justice system and our perceptions of violence

Perfect Victims 2011-07-07 an edgar award finalist for best fact crime this impressive open eyed investigative inquiry wrapped within a cultural history of rural america the wall street journal shows legendary statistician and baseball writer bill james applying his analytical acumen to crack an unsolved century old mystery surrounding one of the deadliest serial killers in american history between 1898 and 1912 families across the country were bludgeoned in their sleep with the blunt side of an axe some of these cases like the infamous villisca iowa murders received national attention but most incidents went almost unnoticed outside the communities in which they occurred few people believed the crimes were related and fewer still would realize that all of these families lived within walking distance to a train station when celebrated true crime expert bill james first learned about these horrors he began to investigate others that might fit the same pattern applying the same know how he brings to his legendary baseball analysis he empirically determined which crimes were committed by the same person then after sifting through thousands of local newspapers court transcripts and public records he and his daughter rachel made an astonishing discovery they learned the true identity of this monstrous criminal and uncovered one of the deadliest serial killers in america a suspenseful historical account publishers weekly starred review the man from the train paints a vivid psychologically perceptive portrait of america at the dawn of the twentieth century when crime was regarded as a local problem and opportunistic private detectives exploited a dysfunctional judicial system james shows how these cultural factors enabled such an unspeakable series of crimes to occur and his groundbreaking approach to true crime will convince skeptics amaze aficionados and change the way we view criminal history a beautifully written and extraordinarily researched narrative this is no pure whodunit but rather a how many did he do buffalo news

The Man from the Train 2017-09-19 

2022-06-07 no sports fans are more in touch with the history and ephemera of their game than baseball fans hitting the sweet spot of our national pastime the baseball fans bucket list presents a list of 162 absolute must things to do see get and experience before you kick the bucket entries

range from visiting elysian fields in hoboken nj site of the first pro baseball game to starting a baseball card collection experiencing opening day attending your favorite teams fantasy camp reading classic books like ball four and much more each entry includes interesting facts entertaining trivia and practical information about the activity item or travel destination also included is a complete checklist so the reader can keep a running tally of their bucket list achievements with todays tabloid stories of steroid abuse and off the field shenanigans encroaching on baseballs idyllic charm this unique guidebook encourages readers to celebrate all thats good about being a fan

The Baseball Fan's Bucket List 2010-03-09 [http://www.baseballfan.com/2010/03/09/the-baseball-fans-bucket-list/](#)

2014-01 an analysis of baseball in the eighties encompasses illuminating commentary on everything from spring training to the seventh game of the world series to the key players and teams

The Bill James Baseball Abstract, 1988 1988-03-01 in this second collection of recent articles the first was solid fool s gold groundbreaking sabermetrician and baseball historian bill james takes his unique way of looking at the world and applies it to topics as diverse as the major league players who went out on top whether ground ball pitchers are as good or as bad as people think do hitters like yasiel puig have hot hand streaks they do and why that s a different question and do teams have tough stretches and soft patches in their schedules they do and how to mention them along the way james takes several detours to discuss his views on classical music fiction versus non fiction keeping will animals in captivity conservatives and liberals and several other things that interest or offend him he even includes a couple of his favorite old baseball stories and a new way to summarize something s or someone s history in exactly 10 25 50 100 200 500 words

Fools Rush Inn 2014-05-05 one of the best managers in the early years of professional baseball frank selee 1859 1909 built two great teams the boston beaneaters of the 1890s won five national league pennants during his tenure the chicago cubs won four national league pennants and two world series immediately after his period as manager mostly with players he assembled selee s teams earned reputations for sportsmanship during an era known for dirty play and selee himself was known as a congenial man at a time when many managers and players had were considered loutish or combative this biography tells the story of one of baseball s notable nice guys who honed his craft to succeed in a ruthlessly competitive business

The Bill James Baseball Abstract, 1982 1982-03-01 what if ty cobb and shoeless joe jackson had stood side by side in cleveland s outfield what if integration had taken place in the major leagues before 1947 who would have won the world series had a strike not shortened the 1994 season in this compilation of fantasy scenarios the history of baseball from 1869 to the controversial 2003 playoffs is literally rewritten by fifty journalists historians authors and former baseball players topics include playing for pay merkle s boner rival leagues the 1919 series mickey owens and the dropped strike and integration chronologically organized the experts take up the major events of each era and speculate on the long and short term outcomes had history followed a different but still likely course the book concludes with an appendix in which the panel members hold forth on general interest topics such as star crossed players who might have gone on to hall of fame careers the greatest big game players and world series pairings

Frank Selee 2020-12-28 dating back to 1869 as an organized professional sport the game of baseball is not only the oldest professional sport in north america but also symbolizes much more walt whitman described it as our game the american game and george will compared calling baseball just a game to the grand canyon being just a hole countless others have called baseball the most elegant game and to those who have played it it s life the historical dictionary of baseball is primarily devoted to the major leagues it also includes entries on the minor leagues the negro leagues women s baseball baseball in various other countries and other non major league related topics it traces baseball in general and these topics individually from their beginnings up to the present this is done through a chronology an introductory essay appendixes and an extensive bibliography the dictionary section has over 900 cross referenced entries on the roles of the players on the field batters pitchers fielders as well as non playing personnel general managers managers coaches and umpires there are also entries for individual teams and leagues stadiums and ballparks the role of the draft and reserve clause and baseball s rules and statistical categories this book is an excellent access point for students researchers and anyone wanting to know more about the sport of baseball

Play It Again 2015-01-28 annotation gorgeous george sisler a left handed first baseman has faded from baseball s collective consciousness rick huhn presents the story of one of baseball s least appreciated players and studies why his status became so diminished

year old spitballer who would go on to win 300 games in the minor leagues and even a batboy who later became a celebrity with the murderers row new york yankees in the 1920s all of their stories are included in scandal on the south side which has full life biographies on each of the 31 players who made an appearance for the white sox in 1919 plus a comprehensive recap of chicago s pennant winning season the tainted world series and the sordid aftermath this book isn t a rewriting of eight men out but it is the complete story of everyone associated with the 1919 chicago white sox the society for american baseball research invites you to learn more about the black sox scandal and the infamous team at the center of it all with contributions from adrian marcewicz andy sturgill brian cooper brian mckenna brian stevens bruce allardice dan lindner daniel ginsburg david fleitz david fletcher gregory h wolf irv goldfarb jack morris jacob pomrenke james e elfers james r nitz jim sandoval john heeg kelly boyer sagert and rod nelson lyle spatz paul mittermeyer peter morris richard smiley rick huhn russell arent steve cardullo steve steinberg steven g mcpherson and william f lamb table of contents 1 introduction by jacob pomrenke 2 prologue offseason 1918 19 by jacob pomrenke 3 joe benz by william f lamb 4 eddie cicotte by jim sandoval 5 eddie collins by paul mittermeyer 6 shano collins by andy sturgill 7 dave danforth by steve steinberg 8 red faber by brian cooper 9 season timeline april 1919 10 happy felsch by james r nitz 11 chick gandil by daniel ginsburg 12 joe jackson by david fleitz 13 bill james by steven g mcpherson 14 joe jenkins by jacob pomrenke 15 dickey kerr by adrian marcewicz 16 season timeline may 1919 17 nemo leibold by gregory h wolf 18 grover lowdermilk by james e elfers 19 byrd lynn by russell arent 20 erskine mayer by lyle spatz 21 hervey mcclellan by jack morris 22 tom mcguire by jack morris 23 season timeline june 1919 24 fred mcmullin by jacob pomrenke 25 eddie murphy by john heeg 26 win noyes by bruce allardice 27 pat ragan by andy sturgill 28 swede risberg by kelly boyer sagert and rod nelson 29 charlie robertson by jacob pomrenke 30 season timeline july 1919 31 reb russell by richard smiley 32 ray schalk by brian stevens 33 frank shellenback by brian mckenna 34 john sullivan by jacob pomrenke 35 buck weaver by david fletcher 36 roy wilkinson by william f lamb 37 season timeline august 1919 38 lefty williams by jacob pomrenke 39 owner charles comiskey by irv goldfarb 40 manager kid gleason by dan lindner 41 general manager harry grabiner by steve cardullo 42 executive tip o neill by brian mckenna 43 batboy eddie bennett by peter morris 44 season timeline september 1919 45 walking off to the world series by jacob pomrenke 46 the 1919 world series a recap by rick huhn 47 the pitching depth dilemma by jacob pomrenke 48 1919 american league salaries by jacob pomrenke 49 the black sox scandal by william f lamb 50 epilogue offseason 1919 20 by jacob pomrenke

Intangiball 2015-08-11 a companion to american sport history presents a collection of original essays that represent the first comprehensive analysis of scholarship relating to the growing field of american sport history presents the first complete analysis of the scholarship relating to the academic history of american sport features contributions from many of the finest scholars working in the field of american sport history includes coverage of the chronology of sports from colonial times to the present day including major sports such as baseball football basketball boxing golf motor racing tennis and track and field addresses the relationship of sports to urbanization technology gender race social class and genres such as sports biography awarded 2015 best anthology from the north american society for sport history nassh

The Battle that Forged Modern Baseball 2012 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

Scandal on the South Side 2014-03-26 since 1971 35 negro league baseball players and executives have been admitted to the hall of fame the negro league hall of fame admissions process which has now been conducted in four phases over a 50 year period can be characterized as idiosyncratic at best drawing on baseball analytics and surveys of both negro league historians and veterans this book presents an historical overview of nlhof voting with an evaluation of whether the 35 nl players selected were the best choices using modern metrics such as wins above replacement war 24 additional negro leaguers are identified who have hall of fame qualifications brief biographies are included for hof quality players and executives who have been passed

over along with reasons why they may have been excluded a proposal is set forth for a consistent and orderly hof voting process for the negro leagues
A Companion to American Sport History 2016-04-22 this collection of nine essays examines some of baseball s most elusive mysteries topics include the discovery of the body of ed delahanty at the bottom of niagara falls the suicide of chick stahl the strange death of national league president harry pulliam the case of a game that may never have been played three gambling scandals one involving hall of famers the facts concerning the legendary matchup of satchel paige and slugger josh gibson and the intrigue behind the brooklyn dodgers move to los angeles

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Mysteries from Baseball's Past

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